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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Tracy Schulze - Auditor-Controller

Auditor - Controller

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SUBJECT: Authorization for the Auditor-Controller to process Assessor Division assessment roll reductions

in excess of \$10,000,000 limit permitted under Resolution No. 2013-137 (Revenue & Taxation

Code Section 4831.5)

RECOMMENDATION

Auditor-Controller requests authorization to process an Assessor Division reduction in assessed value in excess of the \$10,000,000 limit set forth in Resolution No. 2013-137 pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Section 4831.5 for APN 800-053-712 in the amount of \$15,988,698 for fixtures and personal property.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resolution No. 2013-137 authorizes the Auditor-Controller to perform, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, corrections to the local assessment roll as set forth in Section 4831 et seq. of Revenue and Taxation Code, including corrections that decrease the amount of unpaid taxes, where the amount of the correction does not exceed ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) in assessed valuation.

The County Assessor has submitted a roll correction to the Auditor-Controller for processing that exceeds the authorized limit. The roll correction for APN 800-053-712 reduces the fixtures and personal property roll value by \$15,988,698.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it currently budgeted? No

What is the revenue source? With the reduction to the assessed value, there is a corresponding decrease

in the amount of property tax revenue the county and all other AB8 entities receive through the property tax allocation process. Attached is the calculation

showing the anticipated decrease for each taxing entity due to this reduction. The total reduction to the General Fund share is estimated at

\$27,330.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: No specific impact from this reduction in future years.

Consequences if not approved: Napa County Assessor is required to assess the fair market value of all land,

improvements, fixtures and personal property in the county. If these reductions

are not made, such requirement will not be met.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

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Changes were made to the fixtures and personal property roll values following an audit. However, due to an irregularity in the property tax computer system, the amended values were not updated for the 2019 tax year. The Assessor has amended the operating procedures to avoid future issues. Attachment A provides a breakdown of the estimated tax reduction for each of the AB8 entities. For the County's General Fund, the estimated reduction of tax revenues is \$27,330.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A. Attachment A APN 800-053-712 2019 Roll Correction

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi