



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 7/28/2020

File #: 20-883

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Clerk/Recorder

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Resolution Requesting Consolidation of South Bay Union School District Bond Election with the November 3, 2020 Presidential General Election

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Direct the Registrar of Voters to conduct, and give notice of, a general obligation bond election for South Bay Union School District;
2. Consolidate this election with the Presidential General Election to be held on November 3, 2020;
3. Direct South Bay Union School District to reimburse the County of Humboldt for costs incurred pursuant to Resolution No. 20-0604; and
4. Request the Clerk of the Board forward the signed Board Order and copy of South Bay Union School District Resolution No. 20-0604 to the Humboldt County Office of Elections.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

South Bay Union School District

DISCUSSION:

On June 25, 2020, the South Bay Union School District passed Resolution No. 20-0604 which orders a general obligation bond election to authorize the issuance of school bonds in the amount of \$5 million, subject to approval of 55% of the votes cast by the qualified electorate. Further, Resolution No. 20-0604 requests the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors consolidate the election with the Presidential General Election to be held on November 3, 2020, directs county election officials to conduct the necessary election, and states that South Bay Union School District agrees to reimburse the county for all costs associated with the general bond election.

The question to be submitted to the voters shall read:

"To improve South Bay and Pine Hill Schools; repair/replace leaky roofs; modernize/construct classrooms, restrooms and school facilities; and make health and safety improvements; shall South Bay Union School District's

measure be adopted authorizing \$5,000,000 of bonds at legal interest rates, raising on average \$312,000 annually as long as bonds are outstanding at a rate of 3 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, have independent citizens' oversight and NO money used for administrative salaries and all money staying local?"

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Election consolidation will ultimately not impact the General Fund. All funds advanced by the General Fund will be fully reimbursed by the South Bay Union School District

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing community-appropriate levels of service and building interjurisdictional and regional cooperation.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

South Bay Union School District

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your board could choose not to approve the South Bay Union School District bond election with the Presidential General Election. This is not recommended as this request is compliant with Elections Code, Section 10403. Additionally, not consolidating the election would require the Office of Elections to conduct multiple elections simultaneously, increasing costs to both the county and district.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Resolution No. 20-0604

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A

File No.: N/A