



## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

**C-28**

For the meeting of: January 3, 2017

Date: November 22, 2016  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Treasurer-Tax Collector  
Subject: Delegation of Authority to County Treasurer for Investment Responsibility of County Treasury

### RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors: adopt Resolution # 17-06 (Attachment 1) authorizing the County Treasurer to assume full responsibility for all transactions and expenditures related to the investment and reinvestment of funds on deposit in the County Treasury; and delegates the authority to execute all contracts necessary to the investment and reinvestment of funds in the County Treasury subject to prior review and approval by the County Counsel and Risk Management.

### SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

### DISCUSSION:

The Board of Supervisors is responsible for County Treasury operations and compliance unless that authority is delegated to the County Treasurer as stated in Government Code 27000.3: "With regard to county funds deposited in the county treasury, the board of supervisors is the agent of the county who serves as a fiduciary and is subject to the prudent investor standard, unless a delegation has occurred pursuant to Section 53607 in which case the county treasurer shall be the agent of the county with respect to these funds, serve as a fiduciary, and be subject to the prudent investor standard and the board of supervisors shall not be the agent, serve as a fiduciary, or be subject to the prudent investor standard."

Prepared by: John Bartholomew *JB*

CAO Approval *E. O. Shurtliff*

#### REVIEW:

Auditor *MDH*

County Counsel *an*

Personnel

Risk Manager

Other

#### TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent  
☐ Departmental  
☐ Public Hearing  
☐ Other

#### PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting of: \_\_\_\_\_

#### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor *Sundberg* Seconded by Supervisor *Fennell*

Ayes *Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Bohm, Wilson*  
Nays  
Abstain  
Absent

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: *Jan. 3, 2017*

By: *Kathy Hayes*  
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

Therefore it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution to delegate that authority to the County Treasurer; and authorize the County Treasurer execution authority over contracts related to the investment and reinvestment of funds in the County Treasury.

The County Treasury is the depository for all County Schools and most of the local governmental agencies in the county, excepting cities. The law provides that funds may be invested within specific government guidelines. The priority of these guidelines is safety, liquidity, and then yield. 1) Safety of Capital: The preservation of capital is the primary objective. 2) Liquidity: This secondary objective is for the County Treasury to maintain sufficient liquidity to meet all operational requirements. 3) Yield: This third objective is to generate the maximum rate of return through the use of authorized investments (per governmental guidelines) after safety and liquidity has been ensured.

There are operational contracts necessary for the investment and reinvestment of funds in the County Treasury related to custodial requirements and transaction processing. Granting execution authority to the County Treasurer for these operational contracts, with prior review and approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, add efficiencies to Treasury operations and reduce costs and staff time.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

All County Schools and many other governmental agencies hold most funds in the County Treasury.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. **Resolution #** 17-016 Authorizing the County Treasurer to assume full responsibility for all transactions and expenditures related to the investment and reinvestment of funds on deposit in the County; and delegates authority to the Treasurer, subject to prior review and approval by the County Counsel and Risk Management, to execute all contracts necessary to the investment and reinvestment of funds in the County Treasury.

# ATTACHMENT 1



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Certified copy of portion of proceedings, Meeting of January 3, 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 17-06

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TREASURER TO ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL TRANSACTIONS AND EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THE INVESTMENT AND REINVESTMENT OF FUNDS ON DEPOSIT IN THE COUNTY TREASURY**

**WHEREAS**, the Humboldt County Treasurer has been designated as the agent of the county with regards to investment of funds, to serve as fiduciary of the funds and be subject to the Prudent Investor Standard; and

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 53607 requires that this Board annually review this delegation; and

**WHEREAS**, there are contracts necessary for the investment and reinvestment of funds in the County Treasury related to custodial requirements and transaction processing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Humboldt County hereby renews its delegation of authority for investments to the Treasurer of Humboldt County to invest and reinvest funds as provided by Government Code Section 27000.1 and 27000.3, and further delegates authority to the Treasurer, subject to prior review and approval by the County Counsel and Risk Management, to execute all contracts necessary to the investment and reinvestment of funds in the County Treasury.

Dated: January 3, 2017



VIRGINIA BASS, Chair  
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Adopted on motion by Supervisor Sundberg, seconded by Supervisor Fennell, and the following vote:

AYES:	Supervisors	Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Bohn, Wilson
NAYS:	Supervisors	--
ABSENT:	Supervisors	--
ABSTAIN:	Supervisors	--

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )  
County of Humboldt     )

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



By ANA HARTWELL  
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt, State of California