

# **COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

**For the meeting of:** 6/28/2022

File #: 22-779

**To:** Board of Supervisors

From: In-Home Supportive Services

**Agenda Section:** Departmental

### **SUBJECT:**

Governing Board of the Humboldt County In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Public Authority to Receive Report from IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson and Approve Recommendation to Appoint IHSS Advisory Board Members.

### RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Adjourn as the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors;
- 2. Convene as the Governing Board of the Humboldt County In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Public Authority and consider the following agenda;
  - a. Receive report from IHSS Advisory Board Chairperson Margaret Lewis
  - b. Approve recommendation to appoint Timothy Such, Alissa Norman, and Dennis Ohligschlager to the IHSS Advisory Board; and
- 3. Reconvene as the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

#### SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Public Authority Fund 1160 Budget Unit 511

# **DISCUSSION:**

On June 6, 2000, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 2000-50 which established the Advisory Board on In-Home Supportive Services as mandated by Assembly Bill 1682. On Sept 10, 2000, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance #2278 (Humboldt County Code section 2213-1 et seq.) which established the Humboldt County Public Authority for In-Home Supportive Services. Section 2213-4 of the ordinance provides that the Board of Supervisors serves as the governing body for the Public Authority. Section 2213-6 provides that the Advisory Board shall report directly to the Public Authority's Governing Board. On Sept. 20, 2005, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution No. 05-62, transferring the oversight of the In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Board from the Board of Supervisors to the Public Authority Governing Board. On

Dec. 18, 2013, the Board of Supervisors, convening as the Public Authority, approved Agenda Item No. H-3 approving the Bylaws for Humboldt County In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Board.

Pursuant to the approved bylaws, the IHSS Advisory Board recommends the appointment of Timothy Such, Alissa Norman and Dennis Ohligschlager. Per the bylaws, the composition of the Advisory Board consists of 11 voting members which should include 6 current or past users of IHSS services, 2 current or former IHSS care providers, 1 member of an organization that advocates for the elderly or people with disabilities, 1 member from the community, and 1 current employee of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Timothy Such will fill the vacancy for a member who is a current or former recipient of IHSS; Alissa Norman will fill the vacancy for a member who is a former IHSS care provider; and Dennis Ohligschlager will fill the vacancy for a member of the community. The experience, knowledge, and advocacy in IHSS of all three candidates make them excellent choices to serve on the IHSS Advisory Board. Pursuant to the approved bylaws, the IHSS Advisory Board recommends the appointment of Timothy Such, Alissa Norman, and Dennis Ohligschlager as a voting members of the IHSS Advisory Board.

Additionally, the IHSS Advisory Board will report out to the IHSS Governing Board about their recent activities and provide advice regarding the local IHSS program as pursuant to the approved bylaws.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Appointment of members on the Advisory Board does not have a direct fiscal impact. Funds for the IHSS Advisory Board are in the fiscal year (FY) 2022-23 budget for Social Services 1160-511. Expenditures for Department of Health and Human Services staff assigned to support the IHSS Advisory Board are included in the FY 2022-23 budget for Social Services (1160-511). There is no impact to the county General Fund.

#### STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by enforcing laws and regulations to protect residents.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

#### ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to receive the report or not to appoint new members to the Advisory Board. This is not recommended because it is the responsibility of the Advisory Committee to report out to the Governing Board and the proposed appointments follow current bylaw guidelines and is recommended by the Advisory Board.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Report from the IHSS Advisory Board.
- 2. IHSS Advisory Committee Application/Nomination Forms for Timothy Such, Allissa Norman,

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and Dennis Ohligschlager.

# PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

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