



OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

C-12

For the meeting of: November 15, 2016

Date: October 15, 2016

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly Sanders, County Clerk, Recorder and Registrar of Voters *KS*

Subject: Appointment of Special District Directors

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive staff report; and
2. Appoint attached slates of individuals to special district governing boards, pursuant to California Election Code, Section 10515.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: General Fund

DISCUSSION:

Humboldt County currently has a total of 46 special districts. District boards are typically comprised of five positions, including both two-year and four-year positions. Biennially, terms for up to three district board positions expire; these seats must be filled through the election process. Although most district positions expire during odd numbered years, two districts have seats that expire during even numbered years, specifically: the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District and the Southern Humboldt Community Healthcare District.

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CAO Approval *Elisha Heg*

REVIEW:

Auditor _____ County Counsel *JW* Human Resources _____ 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 *Fennell* Seconded by Supervisor *Bass*

Ayes *Fennell, Bass, Bohn, Sundberg, Lovelace*

Nays _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

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

Dated: *November 15, 2016*

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

The election process commences with a candidate filing period during which time qualified Humboldt County residents may file to serve on a district board in the jurisdiction in which they live. Pursuant to California Elections Code, Section 10517, when the number of qualified candidates filing for a position exceeds the number of positions available, the county elections official, the Registrar of Voters, will conduct a general district election to fill the available positions. When the number of qualified candidates filing for a position equals the number of positions available and no petition requesting an election has been filed, California Elections Code, Section 10515(a), directs the officer conducting the election, the Registrar of Voters, to request the supervising authority, the Board of Supervisors, appoint qualified candidates who have filed candidacy papers; the supervising authority will make these appointments in lieu of an election. However, when the number of qualified candidates is fewer than the number of positions available, California Elections Code, Section 10515(b), directs the supervising authority, your Board, to appoint a person who is qualified as of the date an election would have been held.

The candidacy filing period for the 2016 Presidential General Election was held from July 11, 2016 through August 12, 2016. At the close of the filing period, neither of the districts received more candidate filings than positions available. In accordance with California Elections Code, Section 10517, no districts will move to general district election.

At the close of the filing period, both districts received the same number of candidate filings as positions available for one or more open positions. California Elections Code, Section 10515(a), directs your Board to appoint qualified persons who have filed candidacy papers in lieu of election. Attachment 1 summarizes qualified candidates who have filed candidacy papers.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Not applicable.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board of Supervisors could choose to appoint qualified voters from the respective districts other than those listed in Attachment 1.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Appointments in Lieu of Election

Attachment 1

Appointments in Lieu of Election

According to California Elections Code, Section 10515, when the number of qualified candidates filing for a position equals the number of positions available and no petition requesting an election has been filed, the Registrar of Voters, is directed to request the supervising authority, the Board of Supervisors, appoint qualified candidates who have filed candidacy papers; the supervising authority will make these appointments in lieu of an election. District seats subject to appointment and qualified candidates who have filed candidacy papers are summarized below.

Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District

Division	Appointee in Lieu	Term Length
1	Neal Latt	4 years ending 2020
2	Sheri Woo	4 years ending 2020
3	Barbara Price-Hecathorn	4 years ending 2020

Southern Humboldt Community Healthcare District

Appointee in Lieu	Term Length
Corinne Stromstad	4 years ending 2020
David Ordonez	4 years ending 2020