

## **COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

AGENDA ITEM NO.

For the meeting of: March 28, 2017

Date:

March 16, 2017

To:

Board of Supervisors

From:

Amy S. Nilsen, County Administrative Officer

Subject:

Appoint Board Members to American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Ad Hoc Group

## RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors appoint two Board members to participate in an American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Ad Hoc group and take other action as appropriate.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: All County Funds

## **DISCUSSION**:

In the summer of 2016 your Board entered into a consent decree with the Department of Justice (DOJ). The DOJ brought this action forward in order to enforce the county's compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The consent decree contains many elements including accessibility for services, facilities and roadways. Because of the magnitude of the scope of the consent decree, limited timeframes, and significant costs associated with compliance it is important for your Board to participate in this process and provide input as appropriate.

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REVIEW: Auditor	County Counsel	Human Resources	Other		U	
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X Departmental Public Hearing Other		5 <sub>20</sub> 8				
PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:			Absent			
Board Order No		and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.				
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			Kathy Haves, Clerk of the Board			

Staff recommends that the ADA Ad Hoc group consist of two Board members, Public Works Director, Human Resources Director, ADA Coordinator, County Counsel, County Administrative Officer, and other county staff as the assigned department heads deem appropriate.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is minimal financial impact with appointing two Board members to an ADA Ad Hoc Group. However, there are significant financial impacts should the county not comply with the consent decree. In addition, there are also significant costs in complying with the consent decree to implement accessibility improvement projects. These costs are unknown at this time.

This action supports the Board's strategic framework by enforcing laws and regulations and protecting vulnerable populations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS: None