

Tuesday, February 20, 2001

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M..

PRESENT: Supervisors Harry L. Ovitt, Shirley Bianchi, Peg Pinard, and Chairperson K.H. 'Katcho' Achadjian

ABSENT: Supervisor Michael P. Ryan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG LED BY CHAIRPERSON ACHADJIAN.

SUM AGN

1 A-1-A **Thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Ovitt, seconded by Supervisor Bianchi, and on the following roll call vote:**

AYES: Supervisors Ovitt, Bianchi, Pinard, Chairperson Achadjian

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisor Ryan

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-74, resolution proclaiming March 8, 2001 as "California Polytechnic State University History Day," adopted.

Supervisor Ovitt: reads the resolution and presents the same to Dr. Alan Haile, Director of Governmental Affairs at Cal Poly. **(SUPERVISOR MICHAEL P. RYAN IS NOW PRESENT BUT WILL SHOW AS ABSENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE VOTE ON THE PRESENTATION CALENDAR.)**

Dr. Haile: thanks for the Board for the recognition.

2 A-1-B **Thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Ovitt, seconded by Supervisor Bianchi, and on the following roll call vote:**

AYES: Supervisors Ovitt, Bianchi, Pinard, Chairperson Achadjian

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisor Ryan

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-75, resolution proclaiming February 20 through February 27, 2001 as "Mardi Gras Week" in San Luis Obispo County, adopted.

Supervisor Pinard: reads the resolution and presents the same to Mr. Steve Devencenzi and Mrs. Jayne Devencenzi (King and Queen of Mardi Gras).

Mr. Devencenzi: thanks the Board for the recognition and present Mardi Gras beads and coins to each Supervisor.

Mrs. Devencenzi: states the theme for Mardi Gras is "Too Hot to Handle" and outlines the events that will occur throughout the week.

Supervisor Pinard: addresses the Mardi Gras events over the years and the involvement by the prior Kings and Queens.

3 B-1 This is the time set for members of the public wishing to address the Board on items set
thru on the Consent Agenda.
B-17

Chairperson Achadjian: opens the floor to public comment without response.

Consent Agenda Item B-1 is amended by replacing page B-1-6 of the agreement to reflect the inequity increase given to the class of County Engineer which was replaced by the new

classification of Public Works Director. **On motion of Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Ryan, and on the following roll call vote:**

AYES: Supervisors Bianchi, Ryan, Ovitt, Pinard, Chairperson Achadjian

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Consent Agenda Items B-1 through B-17 are approved as recommended by the County Administrative Officer and as amended by this Board.

Said Consent Items B-1 through B-17, as amended, are on file in the Office of the County Clerk-Recorder and are available for public inspection.

Administrative Office Items:

- B-1 Agreement with Noel King to carry out the duties of the Director of Public Works and Transportation, **Approved as amended.**
- B-2 Addition to the adopted 2001 Legislative Platform for San Luis Obispo County, **Approved.**
- B-3 Notice to extend negotiations for the exchange of property tax revenue and annual tax increment for Annexation No. 81 to the City of Paso Robles (Durand) for an additional 60 days; 1st District, **Approved.**

Board of Supervisors Items:

- B-4 Request by Supervisor Pinard to appoint Mary Louise Brady as a District Three Representative to the San Luis Obispo County Commission on Children and Youth, **Approved.**
- B-5 Request by Board Members to allocate \$2,500 from Community Project Funds (District One - \$2,000, District Two - \$250, District Five \$250) to the Boys and Girls Club of North San Luis Obispo County to pay participation fees for youths from Shandon and San Miguel, **Approved.**

General Services Items:

- B-6 1) Contract (Clerk's File) with Kaplan McLaughlin Diaz to provide architectural and engineering services for a new downtown government office building; and 2) a corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$2,200,000 (\$1,200,000 from Public Facility Fees and \$1,000,000 from Capital Projects), **Approved.**
- B-7 Lease agreement with Duncan Road Venture to provide office space for the Health Agency's outreach operations, located at 3183 Duncan Road in San Luis Obispo, **Approved.**

Public Works Items:

- B-8 **RESOLUTION NO. 2001-76**, appointing Bill Rabenaldt as the City of Pismo Beach Member and David Ekbohm as the City of Grover Beach Alternate Member to the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Zone 3 Advisory Committee; 3rd and 4th Districts, **Adopted.**
- B-9 **RESOLUTION NOS. 2001-77, 2001-78 and 2001-79**, accepting conveyances from Joe and Teresa Escobar, Barbara Musalo and Doris Truesdelle for the widening of Orchard Avenue in the community Nipomo; 4th District, **Adopted.**
- B-10 The following map:

A. COAL 00-0136, a proposed lot line adjustment of 3 lots by Volny Construction, located on Aerovista Place south of San Luis Obispo, **Approved** and **RESOLUTION NO. 2001-80**, to approve an agreement for restrictions and **RESOLUTION NO. 2001-81**, accepting an

avigation easement; 3rd District, **Adopted.**

Social Services Items:

- B-11 Contract (Clerk's File) with the San Luis Obispo Legal Alternatives Corporation Conflict Resolution Program of the Central Coast to provide family group conference coordination services, **Approved.**
- B-12 Contract (Clerk's File) with LifeSpan Services Network, Inc., to provide training to CalWORKs participants, **Approved.**
- B-13 Request to raise funds for Foster Care and the Independent Living Programs with a golf tournament and silent auction fundraiser on March 31, 2001, **Approved.**

Other Items:

- B-14 Request by the Health Agency to direct staff to develop an agreement with the San Luis Obispo County Community Foundation to establish a preventive health program endowment, **Approved.**
- B-15 **RESOLUTION NO. 2001-82**, amending the position allocation list for: 1) Budget Unit 2730 - Agricultural Commissioner by deleting one Agricultural Measurement Standards Technician position; and 2) Budget Unit 2250 - Information Services Division by adding one Department Automation Specialist position, **Adopted.**
- B-16 Submittal by the Auditor-Controller of an unannounced cash count and review of imprest cash accounts of the District Attorney's Office, Victim/Witness Assistance Center, Family Support Division and Economic Crime Unit, **Received and Filed.**
- B-17 Submittal by the Planning Department of a letter to Minerals Management Service commenting on the scope of a proposed Environmental Impact Statement to be prepared for exploratory drilling activities offshore Santa Barbara County; All Districts, **Received and Filed.**

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- C-1 This is the time set for consideration of a recommendation by the Department of Planning and Building to require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the development of a 2,500 square foot building for a worship and community facility, located on Laureate Lane off O'Connor Way northwest of San Luis Obispo; 2nd District.

Mr. Jay Johnson: Planning, presents the staff report showing an aerial photograph of the site, the site plan for the proposed project and photographs of the area and site; presents a copy of the minutes from the August 15, 2000 hearing regarding the Agape Christian Fellowship development plan, a letter from The O'Connor Way-West Foothill Area Residents Association (dated 2-12-01) and a letter from Cleath & Associates (dated 2-15-01); staff's analysis of the proposed project identified three issues of concern: (1) water availability - (a) estimated water use by the Jewish Community Center (JCC) is 0.33 afy; (b) concerns regarding the potential shortfall during a drought; and, (c) the cumulative effect on nearby wells; (2) groundwater quality - (a) the JCC project is expected to generate wastewater below the threshold that would require a Waste Discharge Permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB); (b) preliminary percolation tests show generally satisfactory percolation rates, but Environmental Health has concerns about some of the soils being comprised of clay and is recommending the septic system be engineered and that a further in-depth review of the wastewater disposal system be done; and, (c) concerns regarding the degradation of the water quality over the years that have been raised by the neighbors; (3) traffic - (a) a report was done by William Heath (dated 1/01) and this report indicates that the JCC and Agape projects will have insignificant impacts to the level of service and delays at Laureate Lane and O'Connor Way/Foothill Road intersections; (b) the report identifies a need for a right-turn deceleration lane at Laureate Lane for northbound traffic leaving O'Connor Way; (c) this would be a cumulative traffic mitigation as Mr. Heath does not attribute its need to the JCC project; (d) Public Works (Mr. Richard Marshall) staff has indicated this report needs revisions and additional information before they

can consider it to be an adequate, up-to-date analysis of traffic in the project area; based on these concerns staff is recommending an EIR to address these three issues.

Ms. Ellen Carroll: Environmental Coordinator, indicates that staff recognizes this is a much smaller project than the Agape project but are basing their recommendations on the concerns raised by the Board of Supervisors during the Agape hearing.

Board Members: address various comments, issues and concerns regarding: preparation of a Focused EIR versus a full EIR; timing of The Morros Specific Plan as it relates to this project; the size of this project versus what the applicant really wants to do here and suggests this is one of the reasons there is so much concern being raised by the neighbors, with staff responding.

Mr. Steve Barasch: representing the JCC (Applicant), indicates this area has had a lot of controversy over the years with respect to what the zoning in the area allows for; addresses meetings that have been held with the neighbors to get a feel for what they want; this is a small project and they have already done a broad analysis of the issues that have been raised; suggests this is a very difficult type of project to get done through the City of San Luis Obispo and it's also hard to find land in the City to build this type of project; outlines what they have already done at the site and feel they are being good custodians of the land; states they have no plans for additional buildings; feels they have been straight forward with this project and their ideas.

Mr. Jeff Emrick: Civil Engineer for EDA, representing the JCC, states he did the water system for the Laureate School and This Ole House in the 1990's and this was a difficult time for a water system as it was during a drought.

Mr. John Belsher: attorney for JCC, introduces Rabbi Lon Moskowitz.

Rabbi Moskowitz: addresses his job at California Men's Colony and with the Synagogue; states he is also the parent of four children and has a lot of community involvement because of his children; outlines the proposed project; states they have unanimous support of the San Luis Obispo Ministerial Association for the project; states this building would be a community center for others to use, not just the Jewish community; speaks to the meetings they currently hold and urges the Board to support their project.

Mr. Joe Lindsey: lives on O'Connor Way, states he does not understand the need for an EIR as he believes all the problems have been addressed; states he is not currently a member of the neighborhood association.

Ms. Judy Front: states she lives in Paso Robles, speaks in support of the JCC; wants her son to have a full understanding/knowledge of the Jewish faith; addresses the financial impacts preparation of an EIR will have on the JCC.

Mr. David Stern: speaks in support of the project; states anyone will be able to use this facility as it won't be a "closed campus."

Ms. Emily McGuinn: lives in the Foothill area; states it is inherent of her people to give back to the community and gives examples of the same.

Ms. Ella Weinstein: lives in Silver City Mobilehome Park, states the current location of the JCC is up 20 steps and behind a car wash; these steps are a problem for anyone with physical ailments; they need a facility that is on the ground floor.

Mr. Baruch Margalit: clinical psychologist at Atascadero State Hospital and has a private practice, addresses his and the group's community involvement; states it is Jewish tradition to take care of the environment.

Ms. Linda Zohns: presents a letter for the record and reads from the same outlining her concerns regarding this project and feels they will want to expand in the future; suggests it's not

a “fit” for the area.

Ms. Cindy Wallace: Neighborhood Association member, addresses the twelve year “treadmill” they have been on with five projects in this area; speaks to the various uses at Cuesta College that would parallel the proposed uses at the JCC; the approval of these types of projects is changing the rural character of the community and is impacting the groundwater.

Mr. Mark Zohns: lives on Guerra Dr., states he is representing a number of his neighbors who have concerns about the water quantity and quality; indicates there seems to be a lot of conflicting numbers with respect to water in the area; feels there needs to be a third party, impartial analysis of these issues; also feels the nitrates have not been adequately addressed.

Ms. Laura Zohns: lives on Guerra Dr., comments on the August 15, 2000 hearing for the Agape project and the concerns that were raised at that time; asks that this project be put on hold until the planning area standards are in place.

Ms. Marshawn Porter: presents information regarding “Inaccuracy’s Found in the Traffic Report” by the JCC and shows a graph on the traffic count with Cuesta in session between February 1997 and September 2000.

Ms. Pat Pepperell: lives in the Foothill area, addresses traffic and disputes the report prepared by Mr. Heath; states she is skeptical of this being the only project as prior projects have expanded after saying they wouldn’t.

Mr. John Wallace: asks that the documents that were referenced/presented at the Agape hearing last August, be included by reference, for this hearing; feels it is clear this is a phased project as the applicant has stated if they are allowed to expand in the future they will.

Mr. Mike Sparrow: representing Agape, speaks in support of this project and addresses the EIR they are being required to do.

Ms. Laura Lehman: representing the Laureate School, states she is the co-owner the school; questions requiring an EIR for this project; feels there is enough information out there already to address the concerns being outlined for an EIR; speaks to prior testimony she has heard about the school expanding, and states they are not planning to expand; states they have a permit for 240 students, currently have 205 and have never exceeded the permit capacity of 240.

Mr. Belsher: responds to comments by the public; addresses the cost of a focused EIR and the cost of the application process; states they started this process six month ago and have been stalled based on the concerns raised by the neighbors; feels if the neighbors have their way this will be put on hold until the Specific Plan is adopted and that plan will eliminate these types of uses in the area; states there are no significant impacts associated with this project; they have already spent \$10,000 on improvements to the water system; addresses the letter from Cleath & Associates regarding the water system; comments on the Fugro report (prepared for the County) and the report concluded that there weren’t any impacts on water; addresses the traffic report and the issues raised by the neighbors; questions what impact is being created that would require this non-profit group to pay \$75,000-100,000 for a focused EIR; the same number of families have belonged to the JCC for the past 15 years which should show they aren’t planning an expansion to allow for any growth; based on what they have presented today he does not see how an EIR can be required; states they purchased the property in 1999, based on the EIR that was prepared for the San Luis Area Plan Update that was done in 1995 with the Plan being adopted in 1997; presents two letters from Margaret & Richard Berlow and Marna & Sam Larkin in support of the project.

Supervisor Bianchi: asks whether this project has been accepted for processing, with Mr. Johnson indicating that it hasn’t.

Supervisor Bianchi: addresses meeting she attended with both the JCC and the neighborhood

association; questions the difference between an Expanded Initial Study (EIS) versus a focused EIR; suggests a third party, impartial analysis should be done when two experts disagree, with Ms. Carroll responding.

Supervisor Ryan: questions why this application has been in the works for six months but not been accepted for processing.

Mr. Johnson: addresses the cost to the applicant and staff and the applicant agreeing to wait until the Board makes a determination on whether or not to do an EIR; states they can accept the application immediately.

Supervisor Bianchi: questions whether it's possible for Agape and the JCC to combine efforts and prepare one EIR, with staff responding that can occur but they can't be forced to combine their efforts.

Mr. Barasch: addresses the idea of combining forces to prepare one EIR with Agape and expresses his concern about the two of them competing for similar resources and feels that will put them in a compromising position.

A motion by Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Pinard to require an Expanded Initial Study (EIS) with a focus on water availability, groundwater quality and traffic, is discussed.

Supervisor Ryan: states he will not support the motion as he believes they have studied the issues and this shouldn't be required a such a small project.

Supervisor Bianchi: addresses the letters of concern from Environmental Health and Public Works and this is the basis for her motion.

Ms. Carroll: states if the motion passes, staff will use the existing information and peer review it and make a determination as to whether they can issue a mitigated Negative Declaration; states staff has been working with the applicant on the project even though it has not been formally accepted.

Matter is fully discussed and thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Pinard, with Supervisor Ryan casting a dissenting vote, motion carries and the Board requires an Expanded Initial Study (EIS) with a focus on water availability, groundwater quality and traffic.

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The Board announces it will be going into Closed Session regarding:

I. PENDING LITIGATION (Gov. Code, § 54956.9.) It is the intention of the Board to meet in Closed Session concerning the following items:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9(a).) **(Formally initiated)** (1) *Sakamoto v. County of San Luis Obispo*, (2) *Public Utilities Commission, In re Matter of PG&E and ADDED (All requirements of the Brown Act were met as this was posted prior to the 72-hour noticing requirement.)* (6) *San Miguel Sanitary District v. County of San Luis Obispo.*

B. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9.) (3) *Significant exposure to litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9(b).)* No. of cases 2. Facts and circumstances not known to potential plaintiff which indicate significant exposure to litigation. (4) *Initiation of litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9(c).)* No. of cases 2.

II. PERSONNEL (Gov. Code § 54954.5.) It is the intention of the Board to meet in Closed Session to: (5) *Consider Public Employee Appointment for the Position Personnel Director.*

Chairperson Achadjian: opens the floor to public comment without response.

Thereafter, pursuant to the requirements of the Brown Act, County Counsel reports out on the items discussed during Closed Session as follows: the Board discussed *San Miguel Sanitary District v. County of San Luis Obispo* and the Judge ruled in favor of the County and the District will be dissolved and no other report is required because no final action was taken and the Board goes into Open Public Session.

(SUPERVISOR PEG PINARD IS NOW ABSENT.)

6 PC This is the time set for members of the public wishing to address the Board on matters other than scheduled items.

Mr. Richard Hill: addresses the ordinance that states you cannot have more than three cats without a kennel license; comments on the agreement between Animal Services and the City of Atascadero; questions violations by the City of Atascadero of this ordinance and how they can issue citations when they are in violation.

Mr. Richie Ray Walker: questions the cost associated with building a new Government Center in downtown San Luis Obispo when they have the new Social Services building; feels the taxpayers' money is being wasted.

Dr. Stephen Mulder: states he is a staff anesthesiologist at Twin Cities Hospital **(SUPERVISOR PEG PINARD IS NOW PRESENT.)** and he is here representing the medical community at the hospital; addresses their concern to losing good medical staff, specifically orthopedic care physicians primarily due to CMSP patients which are placing a strain on these doctors; indicates a solution for this problem needs to be found.

Mr. Eric Greening: speaks to the working group the Board created to address biosolids and indicates they are having their first public forum tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m. at the City/County Library in San Luis Obispo; states there will be three speakers and outlines what the program will include.

Mr. Michael Kovacs: speaks to a recent arrest of another "native American" who was a public servant for 15 years for supplying information to a foreign country; questions why it took 15 years; states this continues to occur because of greed.

Ms. Linda Hall: states she just spoke to Dr. Mulder outside and he indicated the problem is one of security and she believes they should speak to the doctor further as that didn't come out during his comments; addresses Mr. Hill's comments and the contracts being out of sync; suggests there is a problem with some of the law enforcement at the Government Center, indicating she was threatened with arrest by officers if she didn't get away from a man they were dealing with.

Supervisor Ryan: addresses the issue of CMSP raised by Dr. Mulder and believes the issue is money and bringing CMSP payments up to Medi-Cal payment level.

Mr. David Edge: County Administrative Officer, responds to the issue indicating CMSP will not be brought up to Medi-Cal levels of payment without there being a big cost to the County budget; addresses the State funding they receive.

Supervisor Ovitt: asks staff to look into this issue and address it during Closed Session next week under potential exposure to litigation.

Mr. James Lindholm: County Counsel, clarifies his comments during Closed Session indicating that the San Miguel Sanitary District will be dissolved when the trial court decision has been made final. **No action taken.**

7 D-1 This is the time set for presentation on the Results Based Decision Making Initiative.

Mr. David Edge: County Administrative Officer, introduces the item, outlining the increasingly complex issues counties are facing; introduces Ms. Susan McGraw, a local consultant, who worked with County departments on the County's initiative aimed at creating a "results oriented" organization.

Ms. McGraw: addresses her work with Ms. Deb Hosli, Administrative Office and County departments; outlines what is changing and the Covey program supporting the partnership process; after meeting with the departments she came away feeling she lives in one of the best counties in the country; states departments are still working on how to fit into this process; addresses the community-wide results and indicators the County has established; what the various departments are doing to accomplish their goals, highlighting County Fire, Public Health and Family Support.

Supervisor Ryan: compliments Ms. McGraw on her presentation.

Supervisor Pinard: addresses the issue and her concern to the lack of follow-through and caring between departments and gives several examples.

Ms. McGraw: responds and indicates one of the things that may need to occur is to find a way to re-energize employees.

Supervisor Ovitt: addresses changing trends and how this will integrate itself into the budget.

Mr. Michael Kovacs: addresses the issue and past budgets being done without any accountability requirements of staff; states costs go up yearly in the budget and questions where the benefit to the public is.

Thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Ryan and unanimously carried, said item is received and filed.

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D- 2 This is the time set for a discussion regarding the State's Turning Point Academy for youth offenders located at Camp San Luis Obispo.

Mr. Jim Grant: Administrative Office, presents a brief overview of the Tuning Point Academy that has been set up by the State; the Governor proposed this youth offender program and it was passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor; the Academy is set to open next month; addresses concerns raised by Supervisor Ryan about another one of these types of "boot camps" opening up in the County.

Supervisor Ryan: addresses his concern to another camp opening up at Camp San Luis; currently the Grizzly Academy is already here; states when he was attending the Sheriff's Civil Academy the issue of all the group homes in the County came up and concerns to how many of these are currently in the County.

Supervisor Bianchi: addresses the various concerns she has heard and feels the County has enough of these types of operations.

Colonel Michael Nevin: Turning Point Academy, states they prefer to look at this as an academy not a boot camp, as their focus is on education; states these kids will be there for six months and will not get passes to go out into the community during that time.

Supervisor Ryan: questions how it will be determined where these kids come from.

Colonel Nevin: states the various counties will need to adopt a resolution in order to participate in the academy; they will be able to take up to 160 juveniles; states this is for first time juvenile offenders who have been suspended for bringing a gun to school.

Supervisor Bianchi: questions who pays for this and whether these kids will be trained on the proper way to use a gun and also on how awful this weapon can be.

Colonel Nevin: responds that this is a State funded program and there will be no training of the proper use of guns, but could possibly look at the negative impacts guns can have.

Supervisor Ovitt: indicates this program is here no matter what, so the issue for the Board is whether or not to allow County juveniles to participate in the program, with Colonel Nevin responding that is correct.

Supervisor Pinard: questions results/statistics and what the security will be for the program, with Colonel Nevin responding.

Supervisor Ryan: questions the choice of location for the academy and feels the Board does have another option which would be to send letters to the other 57 counties asking them not to send their juveniles to this academy.

Mr. Myron Nalepa: Probation, states they have one juvenile, last year, that would have qualified for this program.

Supervisor Bianchi: questions the where there are other National Guard facilities.

Colonel Nevin: responds they are Camp Roberts and Los Alamitos, but Camp San Luis is the only one with these types of juvenile camps.

Sheriff Pat Hedges: addresses the creation of this bill and its first draft was bad; states law enforcement got involved and changed the language of the bill; asks the Board to support adopting a resolution to place County kids at this academy; indicates the program is includes 6 months at the academy and then they are sent back to their county for 6 months of mentoring.

Ms. Linda Hall: addresses the issue and her views on the program.

Major Jim Estes: states this program has been designed with a strong academic basis; addresses his involvement with the program and states his background includes being an educator and principal.

Matter is discussed and thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Ovitt, seconded by Supervisor Bianchi, with Supervisor Ryan casting a dissenting vote, motion carries and the Board directs staff to return with a resolution that would allow the County to participate in the program offered by Turning Point Academy.

Matter is further discussed and thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Ryan, seconded by Supervisor Bianchi and unanimously carried, the Board directs staff to prepare a letter to be sent to the State indicating that the County does not want anymore of these types of facilities located in San Luis Obispo County.

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D-3 This is the time set for consideration of a report on the consolidation of the Upper Salinas/Las Tablas and Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation Districts (RCD) and a request to appoint: 1) Tom Mora, Jeff Palmeter, Chuck Pritchard, Mike Bonnheim, Ellalina Emrich, Jeffrey Pipes and Holly Sletteland to the Upper Salinas/Las Tablas Resource Conservation District Board of Directors; and 2) John Maino, Ella Honeycutt, Richard Davis and Linda Chipping to the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District Board of Directors; All Districts.

Mr. Paul Hood: Administrative Office, introduces the item and outlines the Board's prior direction on December 5, 2000 to look at consolidation of these two RCD's.

Mr. Chuck Pritchard: Upper Salinas/Las Tablas RCD, presents a handout and outlines the same regarding the 2001 workload, activities of the Upper Salinas group and their primary project partners; further, based on this information they are asking to increase their membership from 7 to 9 members.

Supervisor Bianchi: questions how the members are elected and how they can increase their

Board members.

Mr. Pritchard: responds that they are appointed by the Board in lieu of the election process and their bylaws allow them to increase to 9 members.

Supervisor Pinard: questions the length of time the members have been on the RCD, with Mr. Pritchard responding.

Supervisor Ryan: addresses the issue Mr. Tim O'Keefe brought to the Board back in December with respect to combining the two RCD's and his additional concern regarding a grant that was being written; states he requested records from the RCD through the Public Records Act and has not received them; presents letters from Donna Thomas, Noah Lehr, Steve Sinton and Bailey Hudson in support of Mr. O'Keefe remaining on the Board.

Mr. Pritchard: responds that he did respond to Supervisor Ryan's request for records through a letter back to his office; addresses the grant that was being written and the status of the same.

Mr. Tim O'Keefe: addresses his history with the RCD and what he believes he has provided to the RCD; speaks to the grant and what he has done with the same.

Mr. Eric Greening: speaks in opposition to consolidating the two RCD's.

Mr. Neil Havlik: representing Coastal San Luis RCD, states they did look at consolidation but don't feel it's in the best interest of the constituents; asks that the Board reappoint the members outlined in the staff report.

Thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Ovitt and unanimously carried, the Board directs that consolidation of the two RCD's not occur.

Matter is further discussed and thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Ryan, with Supervisor Pinard casting a dissenting vote, motion carries and the Board approves the request of the Upper Salinas/Las Tablas RCD to increase the membership of their Board of Directors from seven to nine and appoints Tom Mora, Chuck Richard, Mike Bonnheim Ellalina Emrich, Jeffery W. Pipes, Holly Sletteland and Jeff Palmeter to the Upper Salinas/Las Tablas Resource Conservation District Board of Directors.

Supervisor Pinard: expresses her concern as to how to stop groups from becoming cliques.

Thereafter, on motion of Supervisor Bianchi, seconded by Supervisor Pinard and unanimously carried, the Board approves the appointments of John Maino, Ella Honeycutt, Richard Davis and Linda Chipping to the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District Board of Directors.

On motion duly made and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts, does now adjourn.

I, **JULIE L. RODEWALD**, County Clerk-Recorder and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, and ex-officio clerk of the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the meeting held Tuesday, February 20, 2001, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.

JULIE L. RODEWALD, County Clerk-Recorder
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: /s/Vicki M. Shelby,

Deputy Clerk-Recorder

DATED: February 23, 2001
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