



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Assessor – County Clerk - Recorder



DATE: September 21, 2012
BOARD MEETING DATE: October 23, 2012
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mark Church, Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
& Chief Elections Officer

SUBJECT: Consolidation and Authorization of Election Services for the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution:

A) Consolidating the Presidential General Election, to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, with elections called by the County of San Mateo, County Board of Education, Brisbane School District, Burlingame Elementary School District, Cabrillo Unified School District, Jefferson Elementary School District, Jefferson Union High School District, La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District, Ravenswood City School District, San Bruno Park School District, San Carlos School District, San Mateo County Harbor District, Sequoia Healthcare District, Town of Atherton, City of Daly City, City of East Palo Alto, City of Half Moon Bay, City of Menlo Park and City of Pacifica; and

B) Authorizing the County's Chief Elections Officer to render specified election services in conjunction therewith.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the governing body of any city or district may request the Board of Supervisors of the County to permit the County Elections Official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election. Subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors, these services shall be performed by the Chief Elections Officer. When elections are to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, the Board of Supervisors may consolidate those elections to be conducted and the returns canvassed by the County Elections Official in all respects as if they were one election pursuant to Sections 10400 - 10418 of the Elections Code.

DISCUSSION:

The requests of the above-mentioned governing bodies are proper, the County's Chief Elections Officer is agreeable to providing the specified election services as requested,

and all related costs will be reimbursed by the requesting cities and districts.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

Approval of this resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 of a Collaborative Community. The measures offered by the municipalities and districts afford the voters the decision to determine who will be the elected officials in their respective communities, and to determine important questions relating to the level of funding for the county, schools and specific programs and services.

Performance Measure (s):

Measure	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2011-2012 Projected
Number of Registered voters	389,718	357,757
Percentage of voters who voted	78.86%	76%

The numbers used in the performance measures in FY 2008 are from the Presidential General Election held on November 4, 2008. Turnout for the Presidential General Election is anticipated to be less than the 2008 Presidential General Election as supported by past trends in voter turnout in a presidential general election where a sitting President is running for re-election.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be No Net County Cost. All costs for election services will be reimbursed by the above mentioned cities and districts.