



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



**DATE:** November 8, 2012  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** December 11, 2012  
**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** None  
**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

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

**SUBJECT:** Certification of Voting Results of the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution:

A) Accepting the certificate of the Chief Elections Officer as the statement of the results of the vote as determined by the official canvass of the November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election;

B) Declaring the persons elected to certain offices; and

C) Declaring the results of certain measures voted on.

**BACKGROUND:**

The County's Chief Elections Officer, within 28 days of a presidential primary election, has the authority and duty to inspect, process, and count all ballots cast and prepare a certified statement of the results, and to deliver a duplicate of that statement to the Secretary of State and to the chairperson of the county central committee of each political party. Upon acceptance of this statement, the County Board of Supervisors, as the governing body of the jurisdiction, has the authority and duty to declare elected or nominated the persons having received the highest number of votes for the offices voted on and to declare the voting results for each ballot measure voted on. (Elections Code §§ 15300-15551, 10400-10418.)

**DISCUSSION:**

On November 6, 2012, the Chief Elections Officer conducted a Presidential General Election to elect a candidate to a non-partisan seat on the County Board of Supervisors and to approve or reject county ballot measures.

Within the 28 days allowed by law, the Chief Elections Officer has completed the official canvass of the votes and has prepared and certified the abstract, or "Statement of the

Vote,” resulting from that canvass. Copies of the abstract are submitted herewith and are available upon request from the Chief Elections Officer or you can click the following link to view the entire report:

<https://www.shapethefuture.org/elections/results/2012/nov/official/sovNov2012.pdf>

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. This election promoted civic engagement and interest in local cities and districts which often have a significant impact on the day to day lives of citizens. Change at the local level begins with candidates and voters and requires participation and collaboration to yield successful election outcomes and leadership within the communities that comprise San Mateo County.

**Performance Measure (s):**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2008-2009 Actual Nov. 4, 2008</b>	<b>FY 2012-2013 Actual Nov. 6, 2012</b>
<b>Percentage of voters who voted</b>	<b>78.86%</b>	<b>79.83%</b>
<b>Number of registered voters in San Mateo County</b>	<b>389,718</b>	<b>361,486</b>

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There will be no net County cost.