

# COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

# Inter-Departmental Correspondence Board of Supervisors



DATE: December 15, 2014

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** January 6, 2015

SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: No

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Supervisor Don Horsley

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Laura McHugh to the San Mateo County Arts

Commission

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation to approve the appointment of Laura McHugh to the San Mateo County Arts Commission, representing District 3, term ending December 31, 2018.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Laura McHugh is a Half Moon Bay resident who has experience in arts management, arts education and is herself an artist. She has served on the Board of Directors for Art in Action in Menlo Park. After moving to Half Moon Bay in 2006, she became involved in local arts community groups such as the Half Moon Bay Beautification Committee's Made on the Coast group and the Colony of Coastside Artists. In 2014, she was active in the San Mateo County Arts Commission's Arts Leadership Council and has worked with sitting Arts Commissioners on long-term strategic planning. A working professional engineer with an MBA, Laura McHugh has a varied arts expertise and has already shown a creative and enthusiastic support for arts and the advancement of arts in San Mateo County.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The Arts Commission is an important element of county government with each respective commissioner representing the five different district supervisors. They work together in a collaborative manner and the appointment of Laura McHugh as the Third District Commissioner will maintain a strong representative for Supervisor Don Horsley.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.