

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence Board of Supervisors



Date: September 22, 2015 Board Meeting Date: October 6, 2015 Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Dave Pine

**Subject:** Recommendation for appointments to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Recovery Commission (MHSARC)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation for appointments to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Recovery Commission, terms ending September 30, 2018:

- A) Patricia Way representing Consumer; and
- B) Michael Horgan representing Consumer.

## BACKGROUND:

The Mental Health and Substance Abuse Recovery Commission reviews and evaluates the County's mental health and substance abuse disorders needs, services, facilities and special problems. The Commission advises the Board of Supervisors and the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Director on any aspect of the local mental health and substance abuse disorders services and programs. They also review and approve procedures used to ensure citizen and professional involvement at all stages of the planning process. Submission of the annual report on the needs and performance of the County's behavioral health and recovery services system are submitted on an annual basis.

## DISCUSSION:

Members of the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Recovery Commission (MHSARC) Executive Committee have completed the interview process for the MHSARC Consumer vacancies. The committee is recommending the appointment of Patricia Way and Michael Horgan.

These appointments contribute to the 2025 Shared Vision statement of a Collaborative Community. Our diverse population works well together to build strong communities,

effective government and a prosperous economy, civic engagement – including voting, public service, charitable giving, volunteerism, and participation in public discussions of important issues – is uniformly high among the diverse population of San Mateo County.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

None.