

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY ATTORNEY

File #: 24-494 Board Meeting Date: 6/25/2024

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John D. Nibbelin, County Attorney

Subject: Correction of Property Tax Rolls Pursuant to sections 4831, et seq., of the Revenue and

Taxation Code

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve correction to the identified tax rolls.

BACKGROUND:

Revenue and Taxation Code sections 4831, et seq., allow for the correction of clerical, descriptive and tax roll errors or incorrect entries. Over the course of any year, it is not uncommon to uncover some errors among the tens of thousands of assessments made by the Assessor. The errors may be caused by defects or delays in information or descriptions provided by assessees, recently discovered economic or historical information, duplication of assessments or simple clerical or mathematical errors by the assessee or the Assessor, or combinations of the foregoing. Incorrect tax roll entries may also result from processing delays, such as when the Assessor is awaiting resolution of disputed issues through the assessment appeals process or litigation. When the correction to the tax roll involves a refund, correction, or cancellation of taxes in excess of \$50,000 approval of this Board of Supervisors is required for that correction.

DISCUSSION:

The Assessor and Controller have identified thirteen enrolled assessments that require a correction to be approved by this Board of Supervisors. Attachment A to this memorandum lists the name of the taxpayer and the property address, the reason for the correction, the amount of the correction, and the Roll Change number. Board approval of this correction is evidenced by the execution of the Roll Correction form by the Board President on behalf of this Board of Supervisors.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact is a reduction to the tax roll of \$208,345.68 in 2018, \$388,971.99 in 2020, \$508,351.62 in 2021, \$314,732.04 in 2022 and \$670,171.12 in 2023. Refunds will issue in the amounts of \$225,598.47 for the 2018 tax year, \$419,085.49 for the 2020 tax year, \$546,419.00 for the 2021 tax year, \$328,430.62 for the 2022 tax year, and \$359,699.30 for the 2023 tax year.

