

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY MANAGER

File #: 18-394 Board Meeting Date: 5/22/2018

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: Appointments to Countywide Redevelopment Oversight Board

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve two appointments to the Countywide Oversight Board for the Successor Agencies to the thirteen dissolved redevelopment agencies in the County.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to ABx1 26 (2011) and the California Supreme Court's *Matosantos* decision, all redevelopment agencies (RDAs) in the State were dissolved effective February 1, 2012. As of that date, each of the thirteen RDAs in San Mateo County were succeeded by "Successor Agencies" for the purpose of winding down the former RDAs' affairs. In San Mateo County, thirteen Oversight Boards were formed to oversee the Successor Agencies winding down the affairs of each of the following former RDAs: Belmont, Brisbane, Daly City, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Menlo Park, Millbrae, Pacifica, Redwood City, San Bruno, San Carlos, San Mateo, and South San Francisco.

State law further provides that, effective July 1, 2018, the above-referenced thirteen oversight boards will be replaced with a single countywide oversight board to, among other things, review and approve each Successor Agency's Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule and the disposition of the assets and properties of the former RDAs. State law provides that the Board of Supervisors may appoint two members to the Countywide Oversight Board, at least one of whom must be a "member of the public."

DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to State law, the Countywide Oversight Board will consist of seven-members appointed by: the County Board of Supervisors (2 members); the City Selection Committee) (1 member); the County Superintendent of Schools (1 member); the Chancellor of California Community Colleges (1 member); the Independent Special District Selection Committee (1 member); and the recognized employee organization representing the largest number of Successor Agency employees in the county (1 member). The Governor will appoint individuals to fill any oversight board position that has not been filled by July 15, 2018. Each Oversight Board member serves at the pleasure of his or her appointing entity.

With the assistance of the County Counsel's office, this office contacted potential nominees, each of whom was identified for his or her prior experience with the redevelopment process, financial or accounting background, or other experience deemed relevant to the RDA dissolution process. As a result of that process, it is recommended that the Board appoint Jim Saco and Tom Casey as the County's members of the Countywide Oversight Board. Mr. Saco recently retired as the County's Budget Director and is currently employed by the County on an extra-help basis. Mr. Casey is the former County Counsel and currently serves the County in a number of citizen-based capacities, including as a member of the County's Assessment Appeals Board.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. The appointment of members to the Countywide Oversight Board should have no direct fiscal impact on the County because all administrative costs associated with the oversight boards are the responsibility of the successor agencies.