



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

**Department:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
**DISTRICT 2**  
**File #:** 19-1002

Board Meeting Date: 10/22/2019

**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Supervisor Carole Groom  
**Subject:** Reappointments to the Assessment Appeals Board

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation for reappointments to the Assessment Appeals Board, each for a second three-year term ending September 30, 2022:

- A) Thomas Casey as a Regular Commissioner; and
- B) Joan Chipser as Alternate.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In order to equalize the local tax assessment roll, the Assessment Appeals Board ("AAB") is charged with hearing appeals to property tax assessments. In accordance with state law, a local AAB may lower or increase individual assessments as appropriate. Members of an AAB must have a minimum of five years professional experience in the State of California as a certified public accountant or public accountant, a licensed real estate broker, an attorney, or a property appraiser accredited by a nationally recognized professional organization.

Pursuant to County Ordinance section 2.92.030 and state law, the Board of Supervisors directly appoints the members of the AAB to renewable three-year terms.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Thomas Casey and Joan Chipser have served as a member and alternate, respectively, on the AAB since September 2016 and wish to be reappointed for a second term. Mr. Casey is the former San Mateo County Counsel with over thirty years of experience in public legal practice. Ms. Chipser has been a practicing attorney for over thirty years with specialization in bankruptcy and insolvency law, as well as experience as a real estate acquisitions analyst.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.