



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISTRICT 4
File #: 21-182

Board Meeting Date: 3/9/2021

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor Warren Slocum, District 4
Subject: Appointments to the Joint Powers Financing Authority (JPFA)

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for the appointments of Jim Saco and Donna Vaillancourt to the governing board of the Joint Powers Financing Authority (JPFA) for open terms of office beginning upon appointment.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:

There are two vacancies on the Joint Powers Financing Authority governing board following the unexpected passing of Jim Fox and the resignation of Steve Alms. The JPFA supports the recommendation to appoint Jim Saco and Donna Vaillancourt to fill these vacancies.

Jim Saco initially joined the County of San Mateo as an Accountant with the County Clerk-Recorder's Office in 1987. He also spent time in the Superior Court Clerk's Office and the District Attorney's Office before joining the County Manager's Office in 1997. As Budget Director, from August 2006 until his retirement in March 2018, his primary responsibilities were overseeing the County's budget process, preparing long-range revenue and expenditure forecasts, coordinating the issuance of debt, developing and implementing fiscal policies, and providing training in the areas of budget preparation and monitoring. In addition, he served as the Assistant Secretary to the County's Joint Powers Financing Authority and chaired the County's Building Security Work Group. Jim currently serves on the Countywide Oversight Board (for redevelopment successor agencies) and the Service League Board. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from San Francisco State University.

Donna Vaillancourt is an active community volunteer and is the current board chair for the San Mateo Credit Union where she has served as a director and officer for more than 20 years. Donna served as the Director of the Department of Human Resources with San Mateo County until July 2018. She served in various leadership positions during her 37-year career for San Mateo County including Deputy Director of Public Works where she managed Administration and Airports and was responsible for developing the Capital Projects Budget. Prior to her work with the County, Donna served for three years in the U.S Army as a field medic stationed in Germany. She has a Bachelor's

degree in Human Resources Management.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.