

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DISTRICT 3 **File #:** 21-679

Board Meeting Date: 9/14/2021

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Don Horsley, District 3

Supervisor Warren Slocum, District 4

Subject: Appointment to the Assessment Appeals Board

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for appointment of Heather Srimal, as Alternate representative, to the Assessment Appeals Board, for an initial term ending September 30, 2024.

BACKGROUND:

The Assessment Appeals Board (AAB) was established to resolve property valuation disputes between the taxpayers and the Assessor's Office. The AAB consists of three impartial commissioners who act on behalf of the Board of Supervisors and is independent from both the Assessor's and Tax Collector's Offices. The AAB acts in a quasi-judicial capacity and hears evidence from both parties before rendering their decision as to the value of the property. Their decision is final and may not be reheard by the board unless ordered by the court.

DISCUSSION:

Heather Srimal is an attorney with over 15 years of experience in real estate, construction, land use, and environmental law. She is a resident of San Mateo and has previously served as a commissioner for the city's Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee and volunteers at Samaritan House of San Mateo County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.