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MENDOCINO COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES -September 12, 2016

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF MENDOCINO - STATE OF CALIFORNIA FAIR STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS (PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §25150)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN SESSION (3:03 P.M.)

Present: Supervisor Dan Gjerde and Chair Carre Brown.

Staff Present: Mr. Alan Flora, Assistant Chief Executive Officer; Ms. Katharine L. Elliott, County Counsel and Ms. Nicole French, Deputy Clerk of the Board.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 - COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

2A) REPORT TO THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE REGARDING REVIEW OF COUNTY AND RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION ACTIONS THAT INCREASED RETIREMENT PLAN COSTS (REFERRED FROM THE FEBRUARY 2, 2016 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING)

Presenter: Ms. Katharine L. Elliott, County Counsel.

Public Comment: Mr. Ted Stephens and Mr. John Dickerson.

Points of Discussion:

- Index of Board of Supervisors Resolutions related to retirement presented, County Counsel concluded that no deviation of state mandated procedure was discovered during their review of the Resolutions;
- Case law related to the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act;
- Supervisor Gjerde expressed desire for additional research be performed by staff on this topic to gather additional information and documents; however, County Counsel noted that staff has used all of the the time allocated by the Board of Supervisors for this project;
- Assistant Chief Executive Officer Flora expressed a need for further clarification on the purpose, impact, and goals of this project, and;
- Concerns regarding outstanding pension obligation and debt.

Board Directive: GENERAL CONSENSUS OF THE COMMITTEE: that Supervisor Gjerde will present an agenda item, clarifying the purpose of the project and requesting additional staff time for research on this topic at a future meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – OTHER BUSINESS

3B) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement: Chair Brown announced on August 23, 2016 that she had received a letter from Mr. James Wilbanks, Retirement Administrator, regarding the Mendocino County Retirement Board's question of the voting authority in the absence of a trustee appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Gjerde commented that a change in state law would have to occur in order for a Board of Supervisors trustee alternate position to be created and suggested it could be to be added as a possible issue for the 2017 Legislative Platform.

Announcement: The Clerk announced that the next regular meeting of the General Government Committee is scheduled for October 17, 2016.

3A) PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Public Comment: Mr. Ted Stephens; Mr. James Wilbanks, Retirement Administrator; and Mr. Stan Anderson.

3C) MATTERS FROM STAFF

No matters from staff were presented.

3D) ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NOTHING FURTHER TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE ADJOURNED AT 3:55 P.M.

Attest: NICOLE FRENCH
Deputy Clerk of the Board

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