



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 20-1153

Agenda Date: 1/12/2021
Item No.: 3.12.

BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Certification of November 3, 2020 General Election and Official Results for Board of Directors Districts 2, 3 and 5 and Measure S - Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Accept the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters' Statement of Votes and Certificates of Election Results for Measure S - Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Project, declaring the totals to be the final results of the election, and declaring the passage of Measure S; and
- B. Accept the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters Certificate of Election Facts and Request to Fill Vacant Office by Appointment for District 2, District 3, and District 5.

SUMMARY:

Elections for the seven electoral districts established pursuant to the District Act are conducted in accordance with the California Elections Code, commencing with §10500 et seq. Elections for Districts 2, 3 and 5 were held on November 3, 2020, for terms beginning on December 4, 2020 through December 2024.

Elections Code §15400 requires that the governing body (Board of Directors) accept the Statement of Votes and Certificates of Election Results and declare the totals to be the final results of the election.

For the November 3, 2020 general election, Districts 2, 3 and 5 each only had one candidate file a Declaration of Candidacy, current District 2 Director, Barbara Keegan, current District 3 Director, Richard Santos, and current District 5 Director, Nai Hsueh. The Registrar of Voters (Registrar) did not receive any petitions requesting that elections be held for these districts. So, in accordance with California Elections Code §10515, the Registrar submitted a Certificate of Election Facts and Request to Fill Vacant Office by Appointments for District 2, 3 and 5 to the County Board of Supervisors, as the supervising authority over the elections, requesting that Barbara Keegan, Richard Santos, and Nai Hsueh be appointed to the office of Director for District 2, 3 and District 5, respectively. On September 22, 2020, the Board of Supervisors accepted the Registrar's certificate of election results appointing Barbara Keegan, Richard Santos and Nai Hsueh. No elections were required for these districts. A copy of the Registrar Voters Certificate of Election Facts and Request to Fill Vacant Office by Appointment is included as Attachment 1.

November 3, 2020, a general election was held in Santa Clara County for the Santa Clara Valley Water District for submitting a measure to the voters on whether the District should renew the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program (Measure S).

Attached are the Certificate of Election Results (Attachment 2) and the Official Results and Statement of Votes (Attachment 3) from Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters. The results show that at the November 3, 2020, general election the voters approved Measure S - Safe, Clean Water Program and Natural Flood Protection Program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The estimated funds for the elections were budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Clerk of the Board budget. The invoice will be forthcoming from the Registrar of Voters.

CEQA:

The recommended action does not constitute a project under CEQA because it does not have the potential for resulting in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Certificate Election Facts/Request to Fill Office by Appointment

Attachment 2: Certificates of Elections Results

Attachment 3: Official Results and Statement of Votes

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