

Agenda



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

Board of Supervisors Room
County Administrative Center
224 North Edwards
Independence, California

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Note: Historically the Board does break for lunch; the timing of a lunch break is made at the discretion of the Chairperson and at the Board's convenience.

March 16, 2021 - 8:30 AM

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (Join meeting via Zoom [here](#))

CLOSED SESSION

2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9** – Names of cases: *LADWP v. Inyo County et al.* (CA 5th District Court of Appeal Case No. F081389) and *Inyo County v. LADWP* (Kern County Sup. Ct. Case Nos. BCV-18-101260-TSC, BCV-18-101261-TSC, and BCV-18-101262-TSC).
3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** – Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9: two potential cases.
4. **CONFERENCE WITH COUNTY'S LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6** – Regarding employee organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); Elected Officials Assistant Association (EOAA); Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA); Inyo County Employees Association (ICEA); Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA); IHSS Workers; Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA). Unrepresented employees: all. County designated representatives – Administrative Officer Clint Quilter, Assistant County Administrator Leslie Chapman, Deputy Personnel Director Sue

OPEN SESSION (With the exception of timed items, all open-session items may be considered at any time and in any order during the meeting in the Board's discretion.)

- 10 A.M.
5. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 6. **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION AS REQUIRED BY LAW.**
 7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 8. **COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS** (*Reports limited to two minutes*)
 9. **COVID-19 STAFF UPDATE**

DEPARTMENTAL - PERSONNEL ACTIONS

10. **Health & Human Services - Social Services** - Request Board find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for one (1) Social Service Aide exists in one or more non-General Fund budgets, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates may meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, but as a State Merit System position, an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; C) approve the hiring of one (1) Social Service Aide at Range 60 (\$3,758 - \$4,564); and D) if an internal candidate is hired as a result of the open recruitment, authorize HHS to backfill the resulting vacancy.
11. **Public Works** - Request Board find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for one (1) Airport Technician I or II exists in the Bishop Airport Budget, as certified by the Public Works Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates may meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Airport Technician I, Range 56 (\$3,425 - \$4,155) or an Airport Technician II, Range 60 (\$3,758 - \$4,564), depending on qualifications.

CONSENT AGENDA (Approval recommended by the County Administrator)

12. **County Administrator - Information Services** - Request Board amend the approved annual lease payment amount from \$125,000 plus any per copy overage fees, to \$156,000 plus any per copy overage fees, payable to Canon Financial Services for photocopy machine lease and management by American Business Machines.
13. **County Administrator - Risk Management** - Request Board approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and Angelo Kilday & Kildruff LLP of Sacramento, CA for the provision of legal services in an amount not to exceed

\$75,000 for the period of March 8, 2021 until the subject litigation is completed, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.

14. **Health & Human Services** - Request Board authorize the issuance of a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$35,000, payable to Jack Frost, LLC of North Las Vegas, NV for freezer trailer.
15. **Health & Human Services - Behavioral Health** - Request Board approve the contract between Inyo County Health and Human Services Behavioral Health and Inyo County Office of Education in a total amount not to exceed \$19,340 for the implementation of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention Early Intervention (PEI) North Star Counseling Program for the contract period of April 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, and authorize the Chairperson to sign contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
16. **Health & Human Services - Health/Prevention** - Request Board approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and Dwayne's Friendly Pharmacy of Bishop, CA, extending the term end date from June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022 and increasing the contract by \$125,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$775,000, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
17. **Public Works** - Request Board: A) approve the expenditure of up to \$20,000 for temporary labor to facilitate the relocation of County staff from the existing Bishop offices to the new building at 1360 N. Main Street, Bishop; B) approve an agreement between the County of Inyo and a Sierra Employment Services provider of temporary labor in Bishop, CA in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for a three-month period, commencing from the execution of the agreement and continuing to June 30, 2021; C) authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained; and D) approve the rental of one box van and hand trucks from U-Haul Bishop for approximately six weeks.

DEPARTMENTAL (To be considered at the Board's convenience)

18. **County Administrator - Museum** - Request Board receive a presentation on the planned Track Extension Project at the Eastern California Museum.
19. **County Administrator - Advertising County Resources** - Request Board receive routine oral report from Inyo Film Commissioner Chris Langley.
20. **County Administrator - Economic Development** - Request Board: A) receive presentation/update from Kristi More, of The Ferguson Group, on legislative issues relevant to Inyo County; and B) review, discuss and adopt the Inyo County 2021 Federal Legislative Platform.
21. **Planning Department** - Request Board accept and provide comments on the draft Inyo County 2020 General Plan Annual Progress Report (APR), and direct staff to forward the APR with any modifications to the State of California's Department of Housing and Community Development and Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

22. **Sheriff** - Request Board: A) amend the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Sheriff General Budget (022700) as follows: increase appropriations in revenue code Operating Transfers In (4998) by \$8,230 and increase appropriations in expense code Professional Services (5265) by \$8,230 (*4/5ths vote required*); B) amend the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Sheriff AB443 Trust (502709) as follows: increase appropriations in expense code Operating Transfers Out (5801) by \$8,230 (*4/5ths vote required*); and C) ratify and approve amendment number one (1) between the County of Inyo and Cal-OES for the provision of microwave link maintenance increasing the amount not to exceed from \$65,000 to \$86,667 and extend the period from December 31, 2020 through December 31, 2021 contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Sheriff or designee to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
23. **Sheriff** - Request Board: A) declare Mobile Relay Associates, LLC of Paramount, CA a sole-source supplier of two-way radios/programming, and service provider for a UHF trunked radio system; B) approve contract with Mobile Relay Associates, LLC for their services of providing a UHF trunked radio system for the period of March 9, 2021 through March 9, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$26.50 per radio, per month, for access on their system, contingent upon adoption of future budgets; and C) authorize the Sheriff or designee to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
24. **Public Works** - Request Board: A) amend the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Deferred Maintenance Budget (011501) as follows: increase estimated revenue in Operating Transfers In (4998) by \$17,440 and decrease appropriation in Maintenance of Structures (5191) by \$14,000 and increase appropriation in Equipment (5650) by \$31,440 (*4/5ths vote required*); B) award the contract for the Progress House Generator Project (Project) to Eldridge Electric & Son, Inc. of Bishop, CA as the successful bidder; C) approve the construction contract between the County of Inyo and Eldridge Electric & Son, Inc. of Bishop, CA in the amount of \$31,439.89, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained; and D) authorize the Public Works Director to execute all other project contract documents, including contract change orders, to the extent permitted by Public Contract Code Section 20142 and other applicable laws.
25. **Public Works** - Request Board ratify and approve Amendment 2 to the contract between the County of Inyo and Eastern Sierra Engineering of Reno, NV for the provision of material testing services in an amount not to exceed \$13,950 for the period of December 15, 2020 through May 31, 2021, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
26. **Public Works** - Request Board ratify and approve the grant agreement between the County of Inyo and the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Program in the amount of \$145,478 for the Independence Water Main Installation Project, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
27. **Health & Human Services - Behavioral Health** - Request Board ratify and approve Amendment Number 1 to the contract between Inyo County Health and Human Services Behavioral Health and Dr. Goshgarian in a total amount not to exceed \$16,325 for an extension of the original contract period from December 31, 2020 to June 30, 2021, and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

28. **County Administrator - Information Services** - Request Board approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Inyo Networks of Rancho Cucamonga, CA, for the provision of Dark Fiber Construction to extend the County's dark fiber network backbone in an amount not to exceed \$64,257.75 for the period of March 16, 2021 through June 30, 2021, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.
29. **County Administrator - Information Services** - Request Board ratify and approve purchases from Strictly Tech for an amount not to exceed \$115,000 for the purchase of 100 HP ProBook 450 laptop computers with 3-year warranties and 100 Kensington docking stations, pursuant to the Technology Refresh Initiative.
30. **Clerk of the Board** - Request Board approve the minutes of the regular Board of Supervisors meetings of February 16, 2021 and March 2, 2021.

TIMED ITEMS (Items will not be considered before scheduled time but may be considered any time after the scheduled time.)

31. **11 A.M. - Ag Commissioner-Cannabis** - Request Board: A) conduct a public hearing to consider a request from commercial cannabis business licensee ShadeGrown Farms, LLC to change their existing cultivation license type of less than 5,000 square feet to the cultivation in excess of 5,000 square feet license type; and B) Authorize the requested license modification subject to the licensee's express agreement to hold the County harmless from any challenges resulting from this license modification.

COMMENT (Portion of the Agenda when the Board takes comment from the public and County staff)

32. ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF REPORTS