



# INYO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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## AGENDA

Board of Supervisors Room - County Administrative Center

224 North Edwards, Independence, California

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### REGULAR MEETING

November 5, 2024

8:30 AM

- 1) **Public Comment on Closed Session Item(s)**  
Comments may be time-limited

### CLOSED SESSION

- 2) **Conference with County's Labor Negotiators – Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6** – Regarding employee organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); 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 Nate Greenberg, Deputy Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, Assistant County Counsel Christy Milovich, Assistant County Counsel Grace Weitz, Auditor-Controller Amy Shepherd, and Assistant CAO Denelle Carrington.
- 3) **Conference with Real Property Negotiators – Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Government Code §54956.8** – Property: 325 N. Brewery St., Lone Pine, CA 93545. Agency Negotiators: Nate Greenberg, John-Carl Vallejo, Meaghan McCamman, Cathreen Richards, Amy Shepherd. Negotiating parties: Inyo County and Pravin Joshi. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment.
- 4) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: County Counsel.

## **OPEN SESSION**

(With the exception of timed items, which cannot be heard prior to their scheduled time, 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) Introductions** - The following new employees will be introduced to the Board:

- **Health & Human Services:** Emma Baker, Office Clerk; Gina Cook, Social Worker; and John C. Laux, Deputy Director of Behavioral Health.
- **Public Works:** Daniel Miller, Mechanic Trainee; Theran W. Mills, Parks Specialist; and Jose Rodriguez, Engineering Technician.

### **8) Employee Service Milestones** - The Board of Supervisors will recognize employees who reached service milestones during the third quarter of 2024.

### **9) Public Comment** Comments may be time-limited

### **10) County Department Reports**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

(Items that are considered routine and are approved in a single motion; approval recommended by the County Administrator)

### **11) Correction to Minutes of January 16, 2024 and Associated Board Order** Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

#### **Recommended Action:**

Authorize the Clerk of the Board to amend the minutes of the January 16, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting, and associated Board Order, so that they include the names of the individuals appointed at that meeting to serve on the Inyo County Water Commission.

### **12) Approval of Minutes from the October 8, October 9, and October 15, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meetings** Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

#### **Recommended Action:**

Approve the minutes from the special Board of Supervisors meetings of October 8, 2024 and October 9, 2024 and the regular meeting of October 15, 2024.

### **13) Local Agency Technical Assistance Grant Phase 2-B Contract with Onward** County Administrator | Scott Armstrong

#### **Recommended Action:**

Approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and Inyo Networks, Inc., doing business as Onward, of Rancho Cucamonga, CA, for the provision of detailed network engineering design services as part of the Local Area

Technical Assistance Grant (Phase 2-B) in an amount not to exceed \$220,000 for the period of November 5, 2024 through January 25, 2025, and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

**14) California Emerging Technologies Fund Digital Equity Best Practices Grant**  
County Administrator | Scott Armstrong

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and the California Emerging Technologies Fund (CETF) of Concord, CA to accept a CETF grant of \$20,000 to support County participation in the CETF Best Practices Check List Project Learning Community in Fiscal Year 2024-2025, effective upon signing through June 30, 2025, and authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign.

**15) Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority Update and Authorization to Submit Amicus Letter**  
County Counsel | John Vallejo

**Recommended Action:**

Receive an update on the Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority, and authorize County Counsel to submit an amicus letter in support of the Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority's writ petition.

**16) Assessment Appeals Board Formation**  
County Counsel | John Vallejo

**Recommended Action:**

Approve Ordinance 1311 titled, "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California Creating Chapter 3.25 of the Inyo County Code Establishing the Inyo County Local Assessment Appeals Board and Modifying Section 3.28.030 of the Inyo County Code to Replace the References to the Local Board of Equalization with References to the Assessment Appeals Board."

**17) Payment Authorization for Invoice from Crestwood Behavioral Health**  
Health & Human Services | Anna Scott

**Recommended Action:**

Authorize payment to Crestwood Behavioral Health for prior-year invoice in the amount of \$23,630.

**18) Agreement Between County of Inyo and Precision Civil Engineering for the Provision of Professional Services Related to the REAP 2 Grant - Zoning and General Plan Design Standards Review**  
Planning Department | Danielle Visuano  
10 minutes (5min. Presentation / 5min. Discussion)

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Precision Civil Engineering, Inc. for the provision of planning services in the amount not to exceed \$209,000 for the period of November 5, 2024 to December 31, 2025 and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

**19) Filling of Vacancies on Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Committee**

Public Works | Ashley Helms

**Recommended Action:**

Reappoint Mike Patterson and Peter Tracy, and appoint Harivanden P. Bhakta, each to a four-year term on the Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Committee, ending October 31, 2028.

**20) Special Event Fee Waiver for Alabama Gates Event at Spainhower Park on November 16, 2024**

Public Works | Jorge Briceno

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the Special Event fee waiver for Sierra Forever of Bishop, CA to hold an event at Spainhower Park on November 16, 2024, from 3-5 p.m.

**21) Authorization for Recycling & Waste Management to Purchase a New Caterpillar Excavator**

Public Works - Recycling & Waste Management | Cap Aubrey

**Recommended Action:**

- A) Declare Quinn Company of Lancaster, CA a sole-source provider of a new 2024 303.5 Excavator; and
- B) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$89,572 payable to Quinn Company of Lancaster, CA for a new 2024 303.5 Excavator.

**22) Agreement with Tartaglia Engineering**

Public Works | Ashley Helms

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and Tartaglia Engineering of Pismo Beach, CA for the provision of Airport Engineering Services in an amount not to exceed \$114,800 for the period of November 5, 2024 through June 30, 2026, or until project completion, and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

**23) Purchase of Full-Size 4x4 Seven-Passenger Vehicle**

County Administrator | Miquela Beall

**Recommended Action:**

- A) Declare Jim Charlon Ford of Ridgecrest, CA a sole-source provider of a full-size 4x4 seven-passenger vehicle; and
- B) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$76,239.84.

## **REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING**

**24) Budget Amendment and Amendment No. 1 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Meyer Land Surveying of Oak Hills, CA**

Public Works | Michael Errante

2 minutes

**Recommended Action:**

- A) Amend the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Public Works Budget 011500 as follows: increase appropriation in Professional Services, Object Code 5265, by \$55,692.00 (*4/5ths vote required*);
- B) Amend the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Maintenance Building & Grounds Budget 011100 as follows: decrease appropriation in Salaried Employees, Object Code 5001, by \$55,692.00 (*4/5ths vote required*); and
- C) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the contract between the County of Inyo and Meyer Land Surveying of Oak Hills, CA, increasing the contract to an amount not to exceed \$175,692.00 and extending the term end date from December 31, 2024 to June 30, 2026, and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

**25) 2023 Inyo County Crop and Livestock Report**

Agricultural Commissioner | Nathan Reade

30 minutes (20min. Presentation / 10min. Discussion)

**Recommended Action:**

Receive presentation on the 2023 Inyo County Crop and Livestock Report.

**26) School Safety Month Update**

County Administrator - Emergency Services | Mikaela Torres

15 minutes

**Recommended Action:**

Receive presentation on School Safety Month.

## **LUNCH**

- 27)** The Board will recess for lunch and reconvene for the afternoon session.

## **REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON**

**28) Updated County Grant Guidelines**

Board of Supervisors | Nate Greenberg, Darcy Ellis

15 minutes (5min. Presentation; 10min. Discussion)

**Recommended Action:**

Review and approve updated guidelines for the Community Project Sponsorship Program and new guidelines for County Marketing grants and the Grants-in-Support program.

**29) Appointment of a County Financial Evaluation Officer**

County Counsel | John Vallejo  
10 minutes

**Recommended Action:**

- A) Approve Resolution No. 2024-36, titled, "Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Appointing The Child Support Services Director As The County Financial Evaluation Officer Pursuant to Government Code Section 27750," and authorize the Chairperson to sign; and
- B) Designate a team to perform the County-Court consultation as provided for by Penal Code Section 987.2(b).

**30) Nominations for California State Association of Counties Representatives**

Board of Supervisors | Assistant Clerk of the Board  
3 minutes

**Recommended Action:**

Nominate from among Board of Supervisors members a director and alternate to serve on the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors for year 2024-2025.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT & REPORTS**

**31) Public Comment**

Comments may be time-limited

**32) Board Member and Staff Reports**

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