

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

August 20, 2024

FROM

LUTHER SNOKE, Chief Executive Officer, County Administrative Office

SUBJECT

Final Submission of the Fair Share Analysis and Secession Reports

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Receive and file the Fair Share Analysis and Feasibility and Fiscal Impacts of Secession reports provided by Blue Sky Consulting Group, LLC, completing the study, as requested by the voters through advisory Measure EE.

(Presenter: Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Promote the Countywide Vision.

Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item to receive and file the Fair Share Analysis and Feasibility and Fiscal Impacts of Secession reports will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) due to the completion of the study.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On August 9, 2022 (Item No. 62), the Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted Ordinance No. 4442 to place an advisory measure on the ballot asking if the citizens of the county want the Board to study all options to obtain the County's fair share of state resources, up to and including secession from the State of California.

In the November 2022 General Election, County voters approved the fair share initiative advisory Measure EE, requesting the elected representatives of the County study and advocate for all methods to receive an equitable share of state resources.

On August 22, 2023 (Item No. 30), the Board approved Contract No. 23-921 with Blue Sky Consulting Group, LLC (Blue Sky) for consulting services to provide a comprehensive study on all options to obtain the County's fair share of state and federal resources, in the amount of \$192,400, for the period of August 22, 2023 through August 21, 2024.

Blue Sky has concluded their study, which includes an analysis detailing the revenue the County receives from intergovernmental transfers. Blue Sky also prepared a report on

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secession, which examines the necessary criteria for regions considering secession from a state and assesses the potential financial impacts.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Julie Surber, Principal Assistant County Counsel, 387-5455) on August 2, 2024; Finance (Carl Lofton, Administrative Analyst, 387-5404) on August 2, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on August 2, 2024.

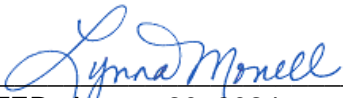
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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
San Bernardino County

APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Curt Hagman Seconded: Joe Baca, Jr.
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: August 20, 2024



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