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Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office recommending the Board appoint Brian Frazier as the County Surveyor effective July 3, 2021 through the end of the term on January 2, 2023, and a salary totaling \$11,372.40 per month.

FUNDING: General Fund.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The position of County Surveyor became vacant on June 10, 2021, due to the unfortunate passing of Phil Mosbacher, Elected Surveyor. The County Charter, Section 406 - Vacancies, states "*If a vacancy occurs in an elective office other than the Board of Supervisors, the Board **shall** fill it is provided by general law. The appointee shall hold office until the next general election.*"

Government Code 25304 states: "*The Board of Supervisors **shall** fill by appointment all vacancies that occur in any office filled by appointment of the Board of supervisors and elective county officers, except judge of the superior court and supervisors. The appointee shall hold office for the unexpired term or until the first Monday after January 1st succeeding the next general election.*"

The next general election is in November 2022. This appointment would be for the unexpired term ending on January 2, 2023, when the next elected county Surveyor would take office.

The qualifications for County Surveyor are to be licensed and a registered voter in the county. Brian Frazier holds valid Land Surveyor Licenses in California & Nevada, is a registered voter of El Dorado County and has over 32 years of experience with various surveying and mapping professions, including experience in the supervision and management of employees. Mr. Frazier is currently the Deputy County Surveyor giving him the knowledge of the department and county background that will allow him to carry on with county business with little interruption.

The Surveyor's Office is heavily involved in the 2021 redistricting project. To assist with this, the Surveyor's Office intends to hire Rich Briner, past County Surveyor, as a part-time retired annuitant to assist with redistricting and other surveyor responsibilities through December 31, 2021.

ALTERNATIVES

One option for consideration is to appoint Rich Briner as the County Surveyor. However, Mr. Briner has stated he prefers to provide support in a part time, advisory role likely through the end of the redistricting process. The Board could also choose to conduct a recruitment for this position, but should keep in mind this process would likely take a minimum of three months and potentially have a negative impact the County's redistricting process.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

None

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Human Resources and County Counsel

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact as the salaries are included in the departments FY 2020-21 & FY 2021-22 budgets.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Good Governance

CONTACT

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