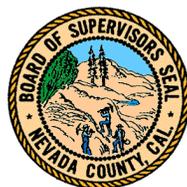


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SUMMARY MINUTES - Final

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tuesday, March 9, 2021	9:00 AM	Remote Meeting Eric Rood Administrative Center 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, California

REGULAR MEETING: 9:00 AM

Rollcall

The following Supervisors attended by remote:

Heidi Hall, 1st District
Ed Scofield, 2nd District
Dan Miller, 3rd District
Sue Hoek, 4th District
Hardy Bullock, 5th District

STANDING ORDERS:

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Ms. Beverly Roberts 4th grade students from Glenshire Elementary School.

Corrections and/or deletions to agenda.

ACTION TAKEN: No corrections and/or deletions to the agenda were noted.

Clerk of the Board: Julie Patterson Hunter

1. [SR 21-0149](#) Nevada County Youth Leadership Award to Ryan Bodine for dedicated leadership and community service.
Recognized.

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Alison Lehman, County Executive Officer, introduced Mr. Ryan Bodine, the first recipient of the Nevada County Youth Leadership Award for his dedicated leadership and community service. The Nevada County Youth Leadership Award is a new program to recognize members of the public who exhibit the County's vision of Public service through strong leadership. Ms. Lehman thanked Ryan, and shared a video highlighting his community service.

The Board members thanked Ryan for his service and congratulated him on being the first recipient of the Nevada County Youth Leadership Award.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Public Health Director: Jill Blake

2. [SR 21-0065](#) Resolution approving a renewal agreement between the County of Nevada and Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation to reimburse the Nevada County Public Health Department for the services of a Health Education Coordinator related to the Tahoe Truckee Future without Drug Dependency Grant Program in the Eastern County region, in the maximum amount payable of \$42,263, for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the agreement. (Pulled from consent by Supervisor Bullock.)
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-061
3. [SR 21-0083](#) Resolution approving the renewal Nevada County Children's Medical Services (CMS) Plan, which includes the Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Program (\$119,314), Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care (HCPCFC) (\$389,051), and California Children's Services (CCS) (\$406,455) for Fiscal Year 2020/21, authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Plan Certifications and authorizing the County Executive Officer to sign an Interagency Agreement between CHDP and KidZCommunity for Fiscal Years 2020/21 and 2021/2022.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-051

Child Support Services, Collections, and Housing Director: Mike Dent

4. [SR 21-0076](#) Resolution approving a contract between the County of Nevada and Wallis Design Studio Architects, Inc. for architectural design services for the Ranch House Redevelopment Project, in the maximum contract price of \$106,547, authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract, and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2020/21 Health and Human Services Agency Housing and Community Services Division's budget. (4/5 affirmative vote required) (Housing)
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-052
5. [SR 21-0074](#) Resolution approving an allocation of funding in the amount of \$424,028 between the County of Nevada and the California Department of Housing and Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Multifamily Housing Program, approving the submittal of an application and authorizing the Director of the Health & Human Services Agency Housing and Community Services to execute the Agreement and subsequent amendments. (Housing)
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-053
6. [SR 21-0081](#) Resolution accepting the notice of funding award from the California Department of Housing and Community Development No Place Like Home Grant Program (Res. 19-622), in the amount of \$1,412,136, to be used as a post construction deferred interest loan to reimburse Nevada County for expenditures for the Nevada County Ranch House Redevelopment Project, located at 16782 State Highway 49, Nevada County CA, 95959. (Housing)
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-054

Sheriff-Coroner/Public Administrator: Shannan Moon

7. [SR 21-0148](#) Resolution authorizing the Nevada County Sheriff to submit an application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for an Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Grant for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-055

Acting Community Development Agency Director: Mali LaGoe

8. [SR 21-0159](#) Resolution reappointing Mr. Chris de Nijs as the Nevada County Agricultural Commissioner and Sealer of Weights and Measures, for a four-year term of office commencing as of April 3, 2021 and terminating on April 2, 2025.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-056
9. [SR 21-0165](#) Resolution approving Amendment 2 to Purchasing Agent contract PESN3942 between the County of Nevada and Ms. Erin Noel to provide customer service consulting services for the Community Development Agency, revising the Schedule of Services (Exhibit A) and the Schedule of Payments (Exhibit B) as needed to increase the contract amount by \$25,000 to a new maximum amount of \$101,500, for the period March 9, 2021 through June 30, 2022, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Amendment.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-057

Chief Information Officer: Stephen Monaghan

10. [SR 21-0144](#) Resolution approving a renewal contract between the County of Nevada and the Fire Safe Council of Nevada County to provide fire prevention and education activities in Nevada County, in the maximum amount of \$72,000, for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract. (Emergency Services)
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-058
11. [SR 21-0160](#) Resolution approving a contract between the County of Nevada and CentralSquare Technologies, LLC pertaining to software licenses and related implementation services for the County's core financial software system FinPlus, for a five-year period from March 9, 2021 through March 9, 2026, authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract, and directing the Auditor-Controller to release funds in the amount of \$146,130 from the Information Systems Infrastructure Assignment of the General Fund, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2020/21 Information Systems budget. (4/5 affirmative vote required)
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-059

12. [SR 21-0164](#) Resolution approving the bid construction documents and specifications for the Nevada County Truckee Joseph Center Remodel 2021, authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the documents, and directing the Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for this Project. (Facilities)

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 21-060

Clerk of the Board: Julie Patterson Hunter

13. [SR 21-0177](#) Acknowledgement of the updated 2021 Chair appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions.

Acknowledged.

14. [SR 21-0150](#) Acceptance of Board of Supervisors summary minutes for February 23, 2021.

Accepted.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Adopted.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Scofield, and seconded by Supervisor Bullock, to approve the consent calendar. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR:

Public Health Director: Jill Blake

2. [SR 21-0065](#) Resolution approving a renewal agreement between the County of Nevada and Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation to reimburse the Nevada County Public Health Department for the services of a Health Education Coordinator related to the Tahoe Truckee Future without Drug Dependency Grant Program in the Eastern County region, in the maximum amount payable of \$42,263, for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the agreement. (Pulled from consent by Supervisor Bullock.)

Enactment No: RES 21-061

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Bullock expressed his appreciation for the service work done by the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation and the County of Nevada. He stressed its importance as part of the work being done in Eastern County in support of mental and behavioral health, particularly as it relates directly to our youth impacted by drug and alcohol abuse.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Bullock, and seconded by Supervisor Hoek, to adopt Resolution 21-061. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chair Miller opened public comment, and the following members of the public spoke: Ms. Heidi Zimmerman, District III; Mr. Greg Lean, Grass Valley; Ms. Lou Richter, District I; Mr. Matthew Coulter, District III; Mr. Wade Laughter, District I; Ms. Penelope Sullivan, District I; Mr. Ken Paige, District II; Mr. David Grill(?), French Coral; Ms. Susan Frisbee, District I; Mr. Eric Christen, District IV; Mr. Richard Cristal, County resident; Mr. Tyler Stewart, District I; Mr. Ron Custer, District I; Ms. Lena Martignago, District III; Ms. Pam Custer, District I; and Ms. Holly Beardsley, District I.

Chair Miller closed public comment.

SCHEDULED ITEM: 10:00 A.M.

Child Support Services, Collections, and Housing Director: Mike Dent

15. [SR 21-0161](#) Notice of Intent that the Board of Supervisors will meet to consummate the purchase of certain real property described as 2.07 acres located at 13192 Brunswick Road, Grass Valley, California, 95945, Assessor's Parcel Number: 006-481-004-000 from John J. and Shirley R. Fernandez, Trustees, of the Fernandez Trust, for a total cost of \$768,990. (Housing)

Resolution approving an agreement between the County of Nevada and John J. and Shirley R. Fernandez, Trustees, of the Fernandez Trust, dated October 6, 2006, for purchase of +/- 2.07 acres of real property located at 13192 Brunswick Road, Grass Valley, California (APN 006-481-004-000), authorizing the Director of Information and General Services to execute the Purchase Agreement, approving the use of the real property to expand interim housing options for County residents who are participating in Behavioral Health Department services and programming, and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2020/21 Health and Human Services Agency Housing and Community Services Division's budget. (4/5 affirmative vote required)

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 21-062

ACTION TAKEN: Following a short break, Mr. Mike Dent, Director of Child Support Services, Collections, and Housing, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the purchase of real property described as 2.07 acres located at 13192 Brunswick Road, Grass Valley, from John J. and Shirley R. Fernandez, for a total cost of \$768,990. Funding is provided through the Community Service Infrastructure Grant Program and will be used for purchase and renovation of the property, which is the former Insight Respite Center. The house will be renovated to provide for a minimum of 4 beds of “diversion” housing for individuals who experience high recidivism in jail due to mental illness or co-occurring disorders. Nevada County Behavioral Health will use funds previously awarded to provide onsite services for individuals residing at the home, and will have a live-in peer support specialist for overnight monitoring of the facility.

Mr. Dent reported that the property is located two miles south of the Behavioral Health Department near the intersection of Highway 174 and Brunswick Road in rural Nevada County and is zoned properly for the proposed usage. The property is approximately 4,200 total square feet, with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths upstairs, and a 1-bedroom apartment with a kitchenette and bath and an additional separate office space downstairs. It has a large 2-car garage with extensive storage and a separate 928 square foot detached garage. Mr. Dent concluded his presentation, noting that Phebe Bell, Director of Behavioral Health, was available to answer questions regarding the Program.

Following a brief technical break, Board discussion and questioning ensued.

Chair Miller provided an opportunity for public comment, and Mr. Matthew Coulter, District III resident, provided comments. There being no further members of the public wishing to speak, Chair Miller closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Scofield, and seconded by Supervisor Bullock, to adopt Resolution 21-062. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

***DEPARTMENT HEAD MATTERS:**

Director of Public Works: Trisha Tillotson

- 16a. [SR 21-0151](#) Resolution approving the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) 2021 Annual Update, and authorizing the Director of Public Works to proceed with the Plan.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 21-063

16b. [SR 21-0152](#) Resolution adopting a list of projects for Fiscal Year 2021/22 funded by Senate Bill 1 (SB1): The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 21-064

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works, and Mr. Patrick Perkins, Principal Civil Engineer, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which is updated annually to provide the Board of Supervisors and the community with an outline of the Department's road maintenance and capital improvement expenditures and revenue projections for the next five years. The CIP is used to list projects that DPW's Engineering Division will oversee design and construction for, and is also used to help generate budgets for the upcoming year. The CIP also includes projects that are overseen by Transit Services, Wastewater, and Sanitation Divisions. Ms. Tillotson reported that she has met with each Supervisor to discuss projects located within their Districts, and has reviewed the CIP with the Nevada County Planning Director, who determined that the Plan is in conformance with the County's General Plan.

Ms. Tillotson reported on revenue sources, which are either discretionary or restricted. The Gas Tax provides the majority of discretionary funding sources for the County's road maintenance activities. Since 2010, the County has seen a steady decline in gas tax revenue that resulted in a \$3 million loss in funding over the previous decade. She explained that Senate Bill 1 (SB1) was adopted in 2017, which provides approximately \$3 million per year in restricted revenue for Nevada County. RMRA funds are now protected for transportation purposes only and will be used to fund road rehabilitation and preservation projects, roadside vegetation control, and shoulder maintenance activities throughout Nevada County.

Ms. Tillotson reviewed fund balances and expenditures. She explained that they have worked very hard over the past few years to rebuild road fund cash balances and now have approximately \$4 million in reserve, which is the minimum need to function on a year-to-year basis. Road maintenance expenditures were at their lowest point in Fiscal Year 2016/17, but are rebounding thanks to SB1 funds.

Mr. Perkins reviewed upcoming Road Maintenance and Capital Improvement Projects, including a variety of road maintenance improvements, vegetation management, shoulder and pavement maintenance, snow removal, bus stop improvements, and bridge improvement and replacement projects.

Board questioning and discussion ensued.

Chair Miller provided an opportunity for public comment, and Mr. Matthew Coulter, District III resident, provided comments. There being no further public comment, Chair Miller closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Hall, and seconded by Supervisor Hoek, to adopt Resolution 21-063. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Hoek, and seconded by Supervisor Hall, to adopt Resolution 21-064. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

17. [SR 21-0153](#) Resolution adopting the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the McCourtney Road Transfer Station Renovation Project. (Sanitation)

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 21-065

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. David Garcia, Solid Waste Program Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the McCourtney Road Transfer Station Renovation Project. Mr. Garcia reported that the Transfer Station was originally built in 1994 and is currently exceeding the original design capacity for the facility. In 2012 a franchise agreement was awarded to Waste Management and at that time it was agreed that the County would either update the existing facility or build a new facility in a different location. Waste Management committed \$5.6 million to improve the existing location and the County agreed to cover the remainder of the costs. In 2015 HDR was hired to start the design phase of the existing facility.

Mr. Garcia explained that HDR identified a preferred site for the Renovation Project, which is the basis for today's discussion. In 2019 a contract was awarded to HDR to begin the actual design. Mr. Garcia provided an overview of the existing operation, which services 26,000 curbside customers, and 14,400 customers at the facility. The Transfer Station receives a total of 7,102 tons of material per month, which is a staggering number for our small community. Mr. Garcia reviewed the draft site design, challenges, and project benefits.

Mr. Garcia expected the design phase to be completed in 2021 and the construction phase to be completed in 2023, noting that operations would continue during construction. He reported on public outreach, which included a Project website; publication on the County's website; promotion through social media; and a press release to The Union and KNCO. Additionally, two virtual community workshops were held and Project updates were provided during Solid and Hazardous Waste Commission meetings. Mr. Garcia requested the Board approve the proposed Resolution, adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the McCourtney Road Transfer Station Renovation Project.

Mr. Garcia responded to Board questioning and discussion ensued.

Chair Miller provided an opportunity for public comment, and Mr. Matthew Coulter, District III resident provided comments. There being no further members of the public waiting to speak, Chair Miller closed the opportunity for public comment.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Hall, and seconded by Supervisor Hoek, to adopt Resolution 21-065. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

***CLOSED SESSION:**

[SR 21-0131](#) Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), County Counsel is requesting a closed session to discuss the following existing litigation case: Tucks Restaurant and Bar, et al. v. Gavin Newsom, et al., Nevada County Superior Court, Case No. 2:20-cv-02256-KJM-CKD.

Ms. Katharine Elliott, County Counsel, read the title of the closed session item into the record, and explained that the Board members would enter into closed session and then take a short lunch break.

***ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Not held.

AFTERNOON SESSION: 1:30 P.M.

Following the Board's lunch break, Chair Miller called the meeting back into order for the afternoon session, and Ms. Elliott reported that no action was taken during closed session.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER ITEM:**Supervisors Dan Miller, District III, and Susan Hoek, District IV**

18. [SR 21-0178](#) Resolution supporting reopening Nevada County safely in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in coordination with Nevada County Public Health authorities. (Motion to Table: Miller, Hoek - No. Hall, Scofield, Bullock - Yes.)
Tabled.

ACTION TAKEN: Chair Miller introduced the agenda item, and he read the title of the proposed Resolution into the record. Mr. Jeffrey Thorsby, Senior Management Analyst, reviewed the staff report for the proposed Resolution supporting reopening Nevada County safely in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in coordination with Nevada County Public Health authorities.

Supervisor Miller clarified for the public that the Resolution is a statement of concern, and is simply a request to Governor Newsom to be involved in the decision-making process in coordination with Public Health, based on local conditions. He stressed that it is not a declaration to throw open Nevada County and reported that the County would continue following Public Health guidelines. Supervisor Miller spoke in support of Nevada County's Public Health and Environmental Health staff. Supervisor Miller stressed that this was an opportunity to ask the Governor to allow Nevada County to be involved in the decision-making process regarding business closures. He did not want to see Nevada County's businesses closed based on assumptions; he believed there was a need for clear evidence. Supervisor Miller explained that a version of the proposed Resolution has been adopted by eleven other counties, although none have been granted their request to be involved in the decision-making process based on local conditions. Supervisor Miller stressed that bringing this item forward provided an opportunity for the Board to discuss the issue and for the community to ask questions and provide input.

Supervisor Hoek shared the importance of the Board having an opportunity to respond to the public's questions. She reiterated the Board's support of Nevada County's Public Health staff and commended their efforts to keep the community safe. She wanted the public to have the ability to ask questions and get answers, and she asked the public to really think clearly about the questions they want answered. She requested the public to be polite and civil, and reminded everyone that Public Health staff is just here doing their job and trying to keep the community safe. Supervisor Hoek stressed that Nevada County is a small community; she believed decisions could be made better through Nevada County's Public Health Department, and if available funding were to come straight from the federal government to the County it could be better managed in ways to help the community.

Supervisor Hall read a prepared statement into the record. Her heart goes out to those who have been sickened by COVID-19, to those who are experiencing long-haulers' symptoms, and to those who have lost loved ones. She stands by the Public Health Department and health care workers everywhere who are working endless overtime hours to care for us and who have themselves become sick. Supervisor Hall shared concerns regarding the County's children, business owners, and workers who are suffering loss of income, isolation, and grave uncertainty about the future. She brought into question the text and origins of the proposed Resolution. Supervisor Hall shared concerns that members of the public believe it calls for the immediate opening of the County, which decidedly it does not. She was concerned that it could be seen as divisive and political, and requested the Board negotiate with the State for changes in the process rather than pass the Resolution.

Supervisor Bullock read a prepared statement into the record, offering his condolences to families who have lost loved ones and to those who are suffering long-term disability as a result of COVID-19. He thanked the frontline personnel: doctors, nurses, and county health professionals who are working to support the community through this difficult time. Supervisor Bullock was certain that the community would come through stronger at the end of the global health pandemic, and by keeping infection rates down the community could look forward to reopening soon. He shared his commitment to keeping an open mind during the discussion and to remain free from partisan politics or ideology. Supervisor Bullock ensured the public that he listens to every phone call and reads every email that is sent to the Board of Supervisors or to him personally. His role is to protect and uphold the constitution, although he does not expect everyone to understand the weight of this responsibility. He concluded his statement, stressing that it is about people not politics.

Supervisor Scofield felt the weight of the decision. He was sorry that this has become a political issue. He has tried not to deal with the issue in a political manner; he was trying to do what he thinks he is right, although there is no easy answer. Supervisor Scofield leaned towards approving the Resolution because he could feel the public's frustration and he believed there could be segments of the community that probably should be opened up right now. He looked forward to the opportunity to converse with members of the public, and he hoped it would be a civil discussion. He agreed with Supervisor Bullock that the Board was talking about people's lives. Supervisor Scofield did have concerns about the potential consequences resulting from the Resolution, but he would make his decision following the discussion.

Supervisor Miller read a statement into the record regarding public comment and the importance of civility and safety of County staff. Supervisor Miller clarified the various ways members of the public could provide comments; calling from their phone, emailing BOS.PublicComment@co.nevada.ca.us, providing an eComment, or speaking at a public comment kiosk located outside the Eric Rood Administrative Center or at the Truckee Sheriff Substation. Members of the public waiting to speak at the Eric Rood Administrative Center were invited to wait inside the lobby for their turn to speak, stressing that members of the public must wear a mask when inside County buildings.

Chair Miller provided an opportunity for public comment, and the following members of the public provided comments: Mr. Eric Gee, Grass Valley; Mr. Eric Robins, District III and Republican Democratic Party representative; Mr. Ken Paige, District II; Mr. William Mattoon, District IV; Ms. Jacqueline Mattoon, District IV; Mr. Robin Buckman, District III; Ms. Tiffany Vannucci(?), County resident; Ms. Connie Brott, District I; Mr. Wade Laughter, District I; Ms. Bloom, County resident; Mr. Chris, District II; Ms. Aaron Reagan, District I; Ms. Catherine Pyke, District V; Ms. Sheena Rutherford, District IV; Mr. Matthew Coulter, District III; Mr. Tyler Stewart and his son Calvin, District III; Mr. Bob Wren, District I; Ms. Nicole Flores, District I; Mr. Nathaniel Tamio, District V; Mr. Greg Lean, County resident; Ms. Joy Brann, District I; Ms. Lena Mantanigo, District III; Mr. Eric Christen; District IV; Ms. Kirsten Rushitoff(?), District IV; Ms. Penelope Sullivan, District I; Mr. Sergio Mantanigo, District III; Ms. Looma McConnell, District IV; Mr. Sumner Stewart, Grass Valley; Ms. Janet, County resident; Mr. Thomas Connelly, District IV; Ms. Bridget Tedder; District II; Ms. Marina Bernheimer, District I; Mr. Richard Christoff, Nevada City; Ms. Valentina Masterz, District II; and Mr. Steve Colby, District II.

Ms. Julie Patterson-Hunter, Clerk of the Board, read emails into the record from: Ms. Ashley Newman, District I; Ms. Janet Stegman, District II; Mr. Sergio and Ms. Lena Mantanigo, District III; Mr. Bob Larive, District IV; Ms. Anna Fabricius, District V; Ms. Valerie Costa, District III; Ms. Patricia Rose, District II; Ms. Susan Peacock, District III; Ms. Kathleen and Mr. George Jones, District IV; and Ms. Nicole Barren, District V.

There being no further members of the public waiting to speak, Chair Miller thanked the public for their input and closed public comment.

Board discussion and deliberation ensued.

Supervisor Hall urged everyone to turn to our Public Health experts and scientists for accurate and true information.

Supervisor Hoek appreciated the opportunity to listen to public comment, and to enter into a discussion with the other Board members. She asked the public to respect the work of the County's Public Health officials. She believed the community should have a say in how to move forward and how to open businesses, and stressed that this was a community discussion not a political one.

Supervisor Bullock was thankful for the robust and vibrant public dialogue. He touched on suicide and mental/behavioral health, and explained that he has dedicated a large part of his life working to address the mental and behavioral health of kids and teens. The data he has received from Behavioral Health professionals shows that there has not been an increasing trend in suicide in the County's youth population. Supervisor Bullock reported that he has received overwhelming opposition to the Resolution from District V constituents. Speaking to all who were listening to this meeting, he stressed that the Supervisors and fellow citizens hear and feel the suffering, and asked everyone to work together to get through these terrible times.

Dr. Scott Kellerman, County Health Officer, responded to questions from the Board.

Supervisor Miller reported that the Resolution was not a request to open the County. It was a request to the Governor to allow County officials to provide input when the State decides when to close businesses. He urged the Board to lean on the side of local control.

Supervisor Scofield explained that the County does not have the authority to open up because the County is under the jurisdiction of the State. He stressed that the other counties who have adopted a version of the Resolution are not open and their businesses are experiencing the same issues as Nevada County's businesses. Although he does wish the Board had more local control and he believes that some of businesses could be opened up, the community needed to recognize that the Resolution does nothing to provide the authority. He would sign a letter saying the same thing that the Resolution states, but would not approve the Resolution. Mr. Ryan Gruver, Health and Human Services Agency Director, Dr. Scott Kellerman, Public Health Officer, Dr. Glennah Trochet, Assistant Public Health Officer, Ms. Jill Blake, Public Health Director, and Ms. Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director, responded to questions asked during public comment and to questions asked by the Board.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Bullock, and seconded by Supervisor Hall, to table the discussion of the Resolution. On a roll call vote the motion passed as follows: Supervisor Hall, aye; Supervisor Bullock, aye; Supervisor Scofield, aye; Supervisor Hoek, no; and Supervisor Miller, no.

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION TAKEN: Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

Signature and Attestation

Dan Miller, Chair

ATTEST:

By:

Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board