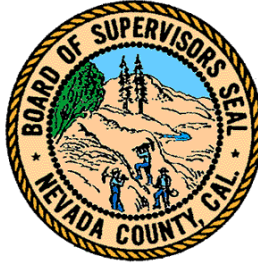


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AGENDA

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday, August 20, 2024	9:00 AM	Board Chamber, First Floor Eric Rood Administrative Center 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, California

The Board of Supervisors welcomes you to their regular meeting.

The County of Nevada will hold its regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors from inside the Board Chamber, located at the Eric Rood Administrative Center, 950 Maidu Avenue, First Floor, Nevada City, CA 95959. This meeting is open to in-person attendance.

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REGULAR MEETING: 9:00 AM**STANDING ORDERS:**

Call the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Corrections and/or deletions to agenda.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MATTER:*Chief of Staff: Jeffrey Thorsby**

1. [SR 24-1313](#) Presentation of the 2024 International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Veterans Recognition Award to Nevada County.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

These items are expected to be routine and noncontroversial. The Board of Supervisors will act upon them at one time without discussion. Any Board member may request that an item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Members of the public wishing to ask questions or hear discussion on items listed under the consent agenda, may raise their concerns to the Board members prior to the consent agenda being introduced. The Supervisors will take the concerns under consideration and decide if there is adequate reason to remove the item from consent.

Behavioral Health Director: Phebe Bell

2. [SR 24-1298](#) Resolution approving direct pay of \$37,904 of psychiatric inpatient hospital services provided to Nevada County beneficiaries at Sutter Valley Hospitals D/B/A Sutter Center for Psychiatry from July 2022 through June 2023.
3. [SR 24-1338](#) Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 2 to the contract between the County of Nevada and Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC. for the provision of a Drug Medi-Cal Outpatient Narcotic Treatment Program for Behavioral Health clients (Res. 23-389), increasing the maximum contract amount from \$826,000 to \$851,000, revising Exhibit "B" to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price, for the term of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the amendment.

4. [SR 24-1226](#) Resolution approving Amendment 4 to the contract between the County of Nevada and Restpadd Health Corp., Red Bluff, for the provision of 24 hour locked Acute Psychiatric Services for residents of Nevada County who meet criteria for 5150 placement (Res. 22-303), to increase the maximum contract from \$1,525,000 to \$2,000,000 (an increase of \$675,000 broken down to \$30,000 for fiscal year 2023/24 and \$645,000 for fiscal year 2024/25) and revising Exhibit “B” for the term of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025, authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the amendment, and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Behavioral Health Budget for fiscal year 2024/25. (4/5 Affirmative vote required)

Public Health Director: Kathy Cahill

5. [SR 24-1280](#) Resolution approving a renewal contract between the County of Nevada and Child Advocates of Nevada County for the provision of Healthy Families America home visiting program services as a component of the County’s implementation of the California Home Visiting Program, in the maximum amount of \$835,435 for July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract.
6. [SR 24-1252](#) Resolution approving a contract between the County of Nevada and Child Advocates of Nevada County for the provision of Healthy Families America home visiting program services as a component of the California Home Visiting Program State General Fund Evidence Based Home Visiting program, in the maximum amount of \$70,061 for the term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract.
7. [SR 24-1250](#) Resolution approving a renewal agreement between the County of Nevada and the County of Sacramento for microbiological, rabies testing and other laboratory tests, and consultation services through the Sacramento County Public Health Laboratory for the Nevada County Public Health Department and the Sheriff’s Animal Control Division, in the maximum amount of \$37,500 for the term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the agreement.
8. [SR 24-1251](#) Resolution approving execution of a revenue agreement between Nevada County Public Health and the Tulare Superintendent of Schools, a political subdivision of the State of California, doing business as the California Friday Night Live Partnership, pertaining to the Friday Night Live/Club Live Program in Nevada County, in the maximum amount receivable of \$9,000 for the term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the agreement.

Social Services Director: Rachel Peña

9. [SR 24-1249](#) Resolution approving a renewal agreement between Nevada County Social Services and The Regents of the University of California, UC Davis Extension pertaining to Training and Consultation Services, for the contract term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, in the maximum amount of \$50,735, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the agreement.
10. [SR 24-1231](#) Resolution approving Amendment 1 to the contract between the County of Nevada and Victor Community Services, Inc for the provision of counseling and psychiatric services (Res. 24-373) to adjust line items with the maximum contract price not changing, for a maximum price of \$363,040 and revising Exhibit “B”, Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the line item adjustments for the term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the amendment.
11. [SR 24-1227](#) Resolution approving execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Counties of Butte, Colusa, Sutter and Yuba for the provision of Disaster CalFresh Emergency Mutual Aid, from the date of execution through June 30, 2027, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the MOU.

Child Support Services and Housing Director: Mike Dent

12. [SR 24-1276](#) Resolution approving Amendment 3 to the contract between the County of Nevada and Wallis Design Studio Architects, Inc. for the Ranch House Project, increasing the contract price from \$159,107 to \$169,107, revising Exhibit “A,” Schedule of Services, to include subsequent design revisions, and revising Exhibit “B,” Schedule of Charges and Payments, to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the amendment. (Housing)

Auditor-Controller: Gina Will

13. [SR 24-1325](#) Resolution setting the Ad Valorem Tax Rate and establishing the levy rates for the general obligation bonds and/or other voter approved debt for fiscal year 2024/25.

District Attorney: Jesse Wilson

14. [SR 24-1295](#) Resolution accepting a California Department of Insurance Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant in the amount of \$76,678, for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, authorizing the District Attorney to execute grant documents, and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the fiscal year 2024/25 budget. (4/5 Affirmative vote required)

Treasurer-Tax Collector: Michelle Bodley

15. [SR 24-1333](#) Resolution authorizing the Treasurer-Tax Collector to sell tax-defaulted properties as shown in Exhibit "A" that are subject to the power to sell, by online auction and/or sealed bid auction, pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters: Natalie Adona

16. [SR 24-1346](#) Resolution consolidating the Town of Truckee Tax Measure, Pleasant Ridge Union Elementary School District Bond Measure, Beyers Lane Community Service District Tax Measure, the City of Grass Valley and Town of Truckee General Municipal Elections, School Districts Board of Directors General District Elections, and Special Districts Governing Board of Directors General District Elections with the General Election to be held in the County of Nevada in the State of California on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
17. [SR 24-1347](#) Resolution requesting the Nevada County Board of Supervisors make appointments in lieu of the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024.

Community Development Agency Director: Trisha Tillotson

18. [SR 24-1300](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Award Agreement between the County of Nevada and South Yuba River Citizens League, for their existing "Outdoor Visitor Safety Grant" (Res. 22-344), extending the term by twelve months to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$75,000 funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the grant amendment.
19. [SR 24-1301](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Award Agreement between the County of Nevada and Truckee Trails Foundation, for their existing "Outdoor Visitor Safety Grant" (Res. 22-346), extending the term by twelve months to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$109,370 funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the grant amendment.
20. [SR 24-1302](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Award Agreement between the County of Nevada and the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District, for their existing "Outdoor Visitor Safety Grant" (Res. 23-431), extending the term by twelve months to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$77,500 funded by the General Fund Economic Infrastructure Assignment dollars, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the grant amendment.
21. [SR 24-1303](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Award Agreement between the County of Nevada and the South Yuba River Citizens League, for their existing "Outdoor Visitor Safety Grant" (Res. 23-433), extending the term by twelve months to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$59,000 funded by the General Fund Economic Infrastructure Assignment dollars, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the grant amendment.

22. [SR 24-1304](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Award Agreement between the County of Nevada and the Truckee Trails Foundation, for their existing “Outdoor Visitor Safety Grant” (Res. 23-436), extending the term by twelve months to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$74,280 funded by the General Fund Economic Infrastructure Assignment dollars and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the grant amendment.
23. [SR 24-1305](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Award Agreement between the County of Nevada and Truckee Watershed Council, for their existing “Outdoor Visitor Safety Grant” (Res. 23-435), extending the term by twelve months to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$40,000 funded by the General Fund Economic Infrastructure Assignment dollars, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the grant amendment.

Acting Public Works Director: George Schureck

24. [SR 24-1284](#) Resolution awarding the contract between the County of Nevada and Traffic Limited for the 2024 Nevada County Annual Striping Project No. 426642 (Res. 24-127), for a total amount of \$327,578.49, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract. (All dist.)
25. [SR 24-1288](#) Resolution approving a blanket purchase order with terms and conditions between the County of Nevada and JPB, LLC, for heavy duty vehicle and equipment repair for Transit buses using international engines that require specialized tooling and staff training, for an annual not to exceed total of \$110,000, for the period of July 1, 2024, though June 30, 2025, and authorizing the Purchasing Agent to execute the blanket purchase order. (Fleet)

Human Resources Director: Steven Rose

26. [SR 24-1336](#) Resolution amending Authorized Personnel Staffing Resolution 24-353, as amended, effective August 20, 2024.
27. [SR 24-1335](#) Resolution amending Authorized Personnel Salary Resolution 24-354, as amended, effective August 20, 2024.

Information and General Services Agency Director: Stephen Monaghan

28. [SR 24-1330](#) Resolution amending Resolution 24-248 to appoint the County Executive Officer and the Assistant County Executive Officer or the Deputy County Executive Officer as the voting members and to appoint a designee as determined by the CEO as the alternate to the Board of the Joint Powers Authority for a New Library Facility in the Truckee Area.
29. [SR 24-1260](#) Resolution declaring certain County property as Surplus, and authorizing the Purchasing Agent to sell or otherwise dispose of those certain items of surplus property listed on Exhibit A as “Assets to be Sold or Recycled.” (4/5 Affirmative vote required) (Purchasing)

Office of Emergency Services Director: Craig Griesbach

30. [SR 24-1318](#) Resolution approving the contract between the Nevada County Office of Emergency Services and the South Yuba River Citizens League for the Nature-Based Mitigation and Wildfire Retrofitting for Climate Resiliency: Art + Science Public Awareness Campaign (BRIC21-AP01251), in the amount of \$84,000.00 with a required match of \$36,000.00, for use during the period August 20, 2024, through January 15, 2027, authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute the contract and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Emergency Services budget. (4/5 Affirmative vote required)
31. [SR 24-1319](#) Resolution approving the contract between Nevada County Office of Emergency Services and Sierra Streams Institute for the Nature-Based Mitigation and Wildfire Retrofitting for Climate Resiliency: Forest Health and Fire Risk Reduction Curriculum for 3rd-5th Graders (BRIC21-AP01251), in the amount of \$41,936.00 with a required match of \$17,973.00, for use during the period August 20, 2024, through January 15, 2027, authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute the contract, and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Emergency Services budget. (4/5 Affirmative vote required)
32. [SR 24-1334](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services and Sierra Streams Institute for the Sierra Foothill Forest Climate Resilience Project (WC-2340KM) (Res. 23-596), updating Exhibit B: Schedule of Charges and Payments, to allow for full or partial reconciliation of advances not to exceed \$250,000.00 of advanced funds, and authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute the contract amendment.
33. [SR 24-1331](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada and Dudek for the Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update (Res. 23-232), extending the contract timeline through February 28, 2025, adding Exhibit D: Federal Contracting Requirements to the contract, increasing the contract not to exceed to a contract maximum of \$157,323.50, and authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute the contract amendment.
34. [SR 24-1332](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services and Yuba Watershed Institute for the Prepare CA Match - Nevada County South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (HMGP DR-4482-693-19 Phase 1) (Res. 24-156), extending the contract timeline through June 30, 2025, and authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute the contract amendment.

35. [SR 24-1271](#) Resolution approving Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada and Tetra Tech, for FEMA HMGP DR 4558-288-088P "County of Nevada Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update" (Res. 23-418), extending the contract timeline through October 31, 2024, adding Exhibit D: Federal Contracting Requirements to the contract, and authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute the contract amendment.

Chief of Staff: Jeffrey Thorsby

36. [SR 24-1324](#) Resolution making findings, accepting the appeal filed by Leslie Barbazette from the decision of the Nevada County Planning Commission for the denial for a conditional use permit (PLN23-0085; CUP23-0006; MGT23-0021; MGT24-0004; PFX24-0006; and EIS23-0002) for a low-intensity camp and community meeting and social event facility known as "Wolf Craft Collective" located at 10734 Wolf Road, Grass Valley, CA (APN 057-030-011) and scheduling a public hearing on October 22, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.
37. [SR 24-1287](#) Resolution appointing Samantha Rawlings to the Truckee Cemetery District Board of Trustees for an unexpired four-year term starting August 20, 2024, and ending July 1, 2026.
38. [SR 24-1281](#) Reappointment of Suzanne Nobles as Member representative and Shera Banbury as Family Member representative to the Nevada County Mental Health and Substance Use Advisory Board for a three-year term ending June 30, 2027.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- [SR 24-1290](#) Members of the public shall be allowed to address the Board of Supervisors on items not appearing on the agenda that are of interest to the public and are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Please refer to page 11 for information on the various options being made available for members of the public to provide comment in both western and eastern county.)

SCHEDULED ITEM: 10:00 AM**Office of Emergency Services Director: Craig Griesbach**

39. [SR 24-1306](#) Public hearing to approve the proposed project and a spending plan in the amount of \$67,400 of Title III Forest Reserve Fund for fiscal year 2024/25, designating the North San Juan Fire Protection District, Nevada County Consolidated Fire District, and Washington Fire Department as the sole spending plan.

Resolution approving the Forest Reserve Title III spending plans for fiscal year 2024/25 in the total amount of \$67,400, designating the North San Juan Fire Protection District, Nevada County Consolidated Fire District, and Washington Fire Department as the sole spending plan and amend the fiscal year 2024/25 Forest Reserve budget. (4/5 affirmative vote required).

DEPARTMENT HEAD MATTERS:*County Executive Officer: Alison Lehman**

- 40a. [SR 24-1286](#) Board of Supervisors' response to the fiscal year 2023/24 Nevada County Grand Jury Report, dated June 3, 2024, entitled "*Nevada County's Ability to Meet Future Pension Obligations.*"
- 40b. [SR 24-1345](#) Board of Supervisors' response to the FY 2023/24 Nevada County Grand Jury Report, dated June 3, 2024, entitled "*Fire! Challenges of a Small, Rural Fire District.*"

Human Resources Director: Steven Rose

41. [SR 24-1215](#) Resolution to approve a contract between the County of Nevada and Ameritas to manage dental and vision programs, for the three-year period January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2027, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract.

***CLOSED SESSION:**

42. [SR 24-1341](#) Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), County Counsel is requesting a closed session with the Board of Supervisors to discuss a matter in which there is a significant threat of litigation against the County.

The County has received threats of litigation from Fire Safe Council of Nevada County.

Recess for lunch:

AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 PM**SCHEDULED ITEM: 1:30 PM****Planning Director: Brian Foss**

43. [SR 24-1312](#) Continuance of public hearing to consider the following project: PLN23-0179, CUP23-0015, EIS23-0010: Public Hearing to consider the appeal filed by Jeff and Kristin Phalen regarding the Zoning Administrator's decision to approve an application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP23-0015) proposing the construction and operation of a new unmanned wireless communication facility located at 20896 Dog Bar Road, Grass Valley, in southeast Nevada County. The proposed facility will be designed as a one-hundred twenty-nine-foot tall faux pine tree (monopine) with antennas at a tip height of one-hundred twenty-four feet. All brackets, antennas, and remote radio units will be painted green to match the faux pine tree. The facility will be contained within a 30' x 30' (900 square feet) Verizon lease area that will be surrounded with eight-foot tall chain-link fencing with a gate and a Knox Box entry system. Project site is located at 20896 Dog Bar Road, Grass Valley, CA 95949, 4.3 miles east of CA State Highway 49 and approximately 7 miles south of CA State Highway 174. (APN: 027-010-018.)

Resolution to deny the appeal and uphold the decision of the Zoning Administrator to approve the Conditional Use Permit (CUP23-0015) for the construction and operation of a new unmanned wireless communication facility located at 20896 Dog Bar Road, Grass Valley (APN: 027-010-018).

***ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54954.2, Board members, County Executive Officer and Chief of Staff may make a brief announcement or brief report on their activities. Board members, County Executive Officer, and Chief of Staff may also provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the Board at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

**(The Board of Supervisors can discuss these items at any time during the meeting.)*

This agenda was posted on bulletin boards 72 hours in advance of the meeting at the following locations:

- 1. Eric Rood Administrative Center: outside Board office, outside Board Chambers, and outside main entrance.*
- 2. Truckee Town Hall Administrative Center, 10183 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, CA 96161.*
- 3. Outside the District V Board of Supervisors office, Truckee Town Hall Administrative Center.*
- 4. Online at www.nevadacountyca.gov/boardmeetings and nevco.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx.*

Posted: August 15, 2024.

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- 1) Watch from inside the Board Chambers.
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PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE THE MEETING:

- 1) Leaving an eComment at www.nevadacountyca.gov/boardmeetings.
- 2) Writing a letter to the Board of Supervisors at 950 Maidu Ave, Suite 200, Nevada City, CA 95959.
- 3) Emailing BOS.PublicComment@nevadacountyca.gov.

Written or emailed public comments received by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting will be provided to the Board members electronically or in written format and will become part of the public record.

PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE MEETING:

- 1) In-Person:

Eric Rood Administrative Center: Members of the public can provide comment in-person inside the Board of Supervisors' Board Chambers at the Eric Rood Administrative Center.

- 2) Over the Phone:

Members of the public can call (530) 270-3474 and will be placed in a call-in queue until they are permitted into the meeting for comment.

Please provide your name, City or District of residence, and the agenda item you wish to comment on.

PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**CONTROL OF MEETING:**

The Board Chair shall first caution any individual at the meeting that their behavior is disrupting the meeting and that failure to cease the disruptive behavior could result in removal. After warning, the Chair will request the individual to leave if the individual does not stop their disruptive behavior. Additionally, the Chair reserves the right to recess the meeting until the person leaves or is escorted out and order is restored.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Matters on the Agenda: The Board shall allow public comment on items appearing on the agenda when the agenda item is considered by the Board. Comments by the public must be relevant to the item on the agenda being considered by the Board. This includes: a. Consent Agenda; b. Community Presentations; c. Department Head Matters; d. Individual Board Member Items; and e. Scheduled Items. At special meetings of the Board, public comment will only be allowed on matters appearing on the agenda.

Matters not on the Agenda: At regular meetings of the Board, members of the public shall be allowed to address the Board of Supervisors on matters not appearing on the agenda which are of interest to the public, and which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board shall not take any action or discuss any matter not appearing on the agenda although staff may be asked to briefly respond to or follow up on such items. At special meetings of the Board, public comment will only be allowed on matters appearing on the agenda.

ORDER AND DECORUM:

Individuals or organizations desiring to address the Board shall:

- 1) Address the Board from the designated podium, virtual kiosk, or other designated location, including teleconferencing system(s). Speakers are encouraged but not required to give their name and location of residence before addressing the Board. This is to identify the speaker's supervisorial district.
- 2) Speakers shall direct their comments to the Board, through the Chair, and not to the audience or staff.
- 3) Speakers may comment on specific matters before the Board with reasons for the position taken.
- 4) The Chair may, at their discretion, increase the allotted time for any given speaker, but shall not be required to do so.
- 5) A speaker may not yield time to another speaker.
- 6) No individual may speak more than once during general public comment or on an item on the agenda unless recognized by the Chair as having new information.
- 7) In the interest of civil discourse, the rules as specified in this Order and Decorum of Board Business and Robert's Rules of Order, to the extent such rules are not in conflict with the Brown Act, shall apply at all Board meetings. It shall be the responsibility of the Chair to ensure that public comment is conducted in such a manner in order to avoid disruptive activity, promote mutual respect, keep comments focused on the subject being discussed, avoid personal attacks, prohibit hate speech and the threat of violence.
- 8) At the start of each meeting, the Chair shall remind the public of the rules and expectations of the public including distinguishing the process for: a) public comment for items on the consent agenda; b) general public comment for items not listed on the agenda; and c) public comment for items on the agenda.
- 9) Applicants, applicant representatives, and appellants desiring to speak shall be permitted to speak first during the public comment portion of a public hearing for no more than ten (10) minutes (or fifteen (15) minutes at Appeal Hearings) unless different rules for conducting the hearing are provided by County Code or other applicable law. Time limits may be modified at the Chair of the Board's discretion.

DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS (Gov. Code section 84308)

Members of the Board of Supervisors are disqualified and not able to participate in any agenda item involving contracts (other than competitively bid, labor, or personal employment contracts), franchises, discretionary land use permits and other entitlements if the Board member received more than \$250 in campaign contributions from the applicant or contractor, an agent of the applicant or contractor, or any financially interested participant who actively supports or opposes the County's decision on the agenda item since January 1, 2023. Members of the Board of Supervisors who have received, and applicants, contractors or their agents who have made, campaign contributions totaling more than \$250 to a Board member since January 1, 2023, are required to disclose that fact for the official record of the subject proceeding. Disclosures must include the amount of the campaign contribution and identify the recipient Board member and may be made either in writing to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the subject hearing or by verbal disclosure at the time of the hearing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

All members of the public shall be allowed to address the Board on any item which is noticed on the Board's agenda as a public hearing. The Chair of the Board may limit the total amount of time allocated for the public hearing and may limit any individual desiring to address the Board to no more than three (3) minutes. Any person may provide the Board with a written statement in lieu of or in supplement to any oral statement made during a public hearing. Written statements shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Whenever a public hearing is conducted, the public hearing is closed and the matter is continued to a subsequent meeting for Board deliberation and/or action, the Board shall not allow public comment and/or testimony on that item at the subsequent hearing. However, at the initial public hearing, prior to taking action, the Board may, at its sole discretion, elect to continue the matter and reopen the public hearing. At the subsequent hearing, all information will be considered. The Board may also, at the initial public hearing, prior to taking action, announce that the public hearing is being continued for specific information and the public testimony will only be heard on new information specific to the Board's direction. If, after the public hearing is closed and the Board later decides to reopen the public hearing for public testimony, appropriate notices must be published.

ORDINANCES:

- 1) By statute, an ordinance may be passed immediately upon introduction only after notice and a public hearing.
- 2) An urgency ordinance may be passed immediately upon introduction with a 4/5 affirmative vote.
- 3) All other ordinances shall not be passed within five days of their introduction, nor at other than a regular meeting or at an adjourned regular meeting unless authorized by statute as indicated above. The Board of Supervisors will address ordinances at first readings and will make any amendments. The public is urged to address ordinances at first readings; as passage of ordinances will be held at second readings, after waiving further reading of the ordinance.

INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE:

The Board may direct any item of informational correspondence to a department head for appropriate action.

REFERENCES:

Board of Supervisors Order and Decorum 2024

Ralph M. Brown Act, California Government Code Sec. 54950, et. seq. (Open meetings law)

Nevada County Land Use Code Sec. L-II 5.12 (Appeals)