

Legislation Text

File #: 20-746, Version: 1

Consider introducing an ordinance amending Solano County Code Chapter 7.3, section 7.3-03 (a), related to membership of the First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission

 Published Notice Required?
 Yes _ _ No _ x

 Public Hearing Required?
 Yes _ _ No _ x

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

First 5 Solano recommends that the Board of Supervisors read the proposed ordinance by title only and waive further reading of the ordinance and introduce an ordinance amending Solano County Code Chapter 7.3, section 7.3-03(a), related to membership of the First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Section 7.3 of the Solano County Code was created to establish the First 5 Solano Commission. When that section was created, language was included that required Commission members to be a *resident* of Solano County.

Over the last 20 years, there have been several instances when an individual with desired experience that worked in the county was put forward for consideration to be a Commissioner; however, their participation was not allowable as they lived out of Solano County. Many of these examples come from Health & Social Services leadership, where the staff person works full-time for Solano County, but resides in another County.

The First 5 Solano Commission has 9 members, which consist of:

- a) 1 Board of Supervisor member
- b) 2 Health & Social Services (H&SS) Designees, appointed by the H&SS Director
- c) 5 BOS appointees, 1 appointee from each BOS District
- d) 1 Member-at-Large

At the First 5 Solano Commission meeting on October 13, 2020 the Commission approved a recommendation to the Board of Supervisor to change the county code language 7.3-03 (a) be changed from:

All members of the commission shall reside in Solano County.

to:

Members of the commission shall reside in Solano County, with the exception of the members nominated by the Director of the Solano County Health and Social Services Department who shall work or reside in Solano County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The costs associated with preparing this agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2020/21 Budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could reject the proposed technical change, but this is not recommended because the Commission will benefit by broadening this membership definition for the two Health & Social Service designees.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel was consulted on the proposed code amendment.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION