



**Health & Human Services
Agency
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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District Three
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District Four
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District Five

AGENDA DATE: April 9, 2019

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Vienna Barnes PHONE: 624-8075

SUBJECT: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding and Second Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement with the California Statewide Automated Welfare System

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Statewide Automated Welfare System (CalSAWS) effective June 28, 2019 to delineate the areas of understanding and agreement among the Consortium and the members regarding matters related to the administration and fulfillment of the Consortium's purpose; and
2. Approve the Second Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement to include all 58 California counties and rename the consortium as the California Statewide Automated Welfare System (CalSAWS) effective June 28, 2019; and
3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the Memorandum of Understanding; and
4. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the Second Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

SUMMARY:
The California Automated Consortium Eligibility System (CalACES) is a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) originally comprised of forty (40) California counties. CalACES was established on September 1, 2017 as a result of Assembly Bill ABX1 16, which

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required the formation of the consortium for the purpose of replacing the Los Angeles Eligibility, Automated Determination, Evaluation and Reporting (LEADER) system and the systems used by the thirty nine (39) other counties into a single system.

The Welfare Client Data System (WCDS) consortium is comprised of eighteen (18) counties for the purpose of management and maintenance of the CalWORKs (California Work Opportunities and Responsibility to Kids) Information Network (CalWIN) and other related systems used by the eighteen (18) consortium counties in support of their social services programs. Tulare County belongs to the WCDS consortium.

On August 14, 2018 your Board approved a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) to document agreement with the CalACES JPA to procure shared services and hold the contracts necessary on behalf of all counties for the formation of a 58-county governance structure. The CalSAWS MOU replaces the Shared Services MOU in alignment with the direction of The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Food and Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture to establish a single Statewide Automated Welfare System (SAWS) for California by 2023 that combines the 40 CalACES counties and the 18 CalWIN counties to establish the universal CalSAWS system for all 58 California counties.

The Second Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement ("JEPA") is made by and among the fifty-eight (58) California counties. This joint powers authority shall be referred to as the CalSAWS Consortium. This Agreement shall serve to amend and restate the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement originally adopted December 1998, first amended June 2007, second amended June 2010, and amended and restated September 2017, which created the California Statewide Automated Welfare System Consortium IV ("C-IV"), subsequently changed to California Automated Consortium Eligibility System ("CalACES Consortium").

Approximately fifty-one percent of the population in Tulare County receives some sort of assistance through one or more social service programs for which the program benefits are determined and granted using automated eligibility determination systems.

This MOU and Second Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The following terms deviate substantively from standard County protocol: 1) There is no termination date; and 2) the County must sign first; these agreements will be signed in counterparts by other counties as authorized in the agreement and the CalSAWS Consortium Board of Directors Chair; 3) Obligations are contingent on State and Federal financial participation; 4) The MOU and JEPA provide for mutual indemnification; and 5) The County is to pay certain unfunded administrative costs in advance.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no fiscal impact related to this MOU. Funding for CalWORKs (California Work Opportunities and Responsibility to Kids) Information Network (CalWIN) budget unit 4036 will continue to receive an allocation for applicable costs based on the state's cost allocation plan that has been submitted for federal review and approval. The CalWIN budget unit 001-142-4036 has a current year budget of \$6,151,293 that is funded by both state and federal revenues. There will be no change in costs to this budget unit as a result of entering into the agreement.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Organizational Performance initiative that provides state-of-the-art technology and infrastructure to support better service delivery. These agreements increase the ability to fulfill this obligation by providing employees with the technological means to improve process efficiency by implementing a system that allows for a single data entry point across all eligibility system interfaces within the state of California.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

 030 JULIET WEBB

Juliet Webb
Director of Human Services

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Memorandum of Understanding
Second Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE A)
 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING) Resolution No. _____
 AND SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED) Agreement No. _____
 JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS)
 AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA)
 STATEWIDE AUTOMATED WELFARE)
 SYSTEM)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
 SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
 _____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
 NOES:
 ABSTAIN:
 ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
 COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
 CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
 Deputy Clerk

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