

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Human Resources

SUBMITTAL DATE:
December 1, 2008

SUBJECT: Appointment of Interim County Counsel

RECOMMENDED MOTION: The Board of Supervisors formally approve the appointment of Pamela Anderson-Walls as the interim County Counsel, effective December 31, 2008, during the extent of the recruiting and selection process for this position.

BACKGROUND: The current County Counsel, Joe Rank, is retiring from his position, effective December 30, 2008. The Board of Supervisors directed Human Resources to conduct a recruitment and appointed a sub-committee to review the applications and make recommendations for further consideration to the full Board. The position is currently advertised with applications being accepted through December 5, 2008. The HR Recruiting and Selection Team anticipates reviewing candidates the week of December 8th and presenting qualified candidates to the sub-committee by December 16, 2008. Due to holiday schedules, it is anticipated that the Board will not interview candidates until mid-January, 2009.

Ronald W. Komers
Asst. County Executive Officer/Human Resources Dir.

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| FINANCIAL DATA | Current F.Y. Total Cost: | \$ | In Current Year Budget: |
| | Current F.Y. Net County Cost: | \$ | Budget Adjustment: |
| | Annual Net County Cost: | \$ | For Fiscal Year: 2008/09 |

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| SOURCE OF FUNDS: | Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Requires 4/5 Vote | <input type="checkbox"/> |

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

BY:
Elizabeth J. Olson

County Executive Office Signature

- Consent
- Policy
- Consent
- Policy

Dept Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** | **Agenda Number:** 3.36

BACKGROUND continued

Ms. Anderson-Walls has more than 23 years of experience with 17 of those years with the County of Riverside. For the past three years Ms. Anderson-Walls has been the Assistant County Counsel assisting in the day-to-day management, planning, organizing and directing the activities of the Office of the County Counsel.

From 1986 to 2001, Ms. Anderson-Walls held the position of County Counsel IV for the County of Riverside. She rejoined the County in November, 2005, after serving as both Assistant City Attorney and Interim City Attorney for the City of Oceanside during her nearly five year tenure. Ms. Anderson-Walls holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of California, Santa Barbara and a Doctor of Juris Prudence from Santa Barbara College of Law.

Ms. Anderson-Walls possesses the necessary qualifications to serve in the position of interim County Counsel during the recruitment process. She brings the knowledge and experience for this vital position and will undoubtedly maintain the continuity of leadership and stability within the department until the Board selects a candidate for County Counsel.