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



FROM: Department of Public Social Services (DPSS)

SUBMITTAL DATE: July 16, 2014

SUBJECT: Approval to exempt vehicles from identification under Board Policy D-8, "County Vehicle Identification" for the Department of Public Social Services

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors, exempt DPSS vehicles from identification pursuant to Board Policy D-8, "County Vehicle Identification" for a period of five (5) years (FY 13/14 - FY 17/18).

BACKGROUND:

Summary: DPSS Social Workers are often put into conditions where they are required to conduct home investigations or make field calls to a client's residence. At times the safety conditions involved in the investigation (substance abuse, criminal activity, domestic violence) combined with the presence of a marked county vehicle, may increase the risk to the investigating social worker by drawing unwanted attention to the county presence. Additionally, advertising our presence can discourage neighbors and other key parties from providing essential information for fear of being associated with the investigation. Board Policy D-8 requires a county seal on every county vehicle "except such units as may be exempted by the Board of Supervisors." In order to improve employee safety and gain better cooperation from clients and collateral contacts, we are seeking Board authorization to exempt DPSS vehicles pursuant to Board Policy D-8, which would eliminate the requirement to place a "County of Riverside" decal on new vehicles. As proposed, this recommendation would apply to new vehicle purchases over the next 5 (five) years.

Susan von Zabern, Director FINANCIAL DATA POLICY/CONSENT **Current Fiscal Year: Next Fiscal Year: Total Cost:** Ongoing Cost: (per Exec. Office) COST 0 \$ 0 \$ 0 \$ 0 Consent □ Policy 🖼 **NET COUNTY COST** \$ 0 \$ 0 \$ SOURCE OF FUNDS: Federal Funding: 0% State Funding: 0%: Budget Adjustment: No County Funding:0%; Realignment Funding: 0%; Other Funding: 0% For Fiscal Year: - 17/18 13-14

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Jennifer/L. Sargent

On motion of Supervisor Stone, seconded by Supervisor Tavaglione and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone and Ashley

Nays:

None

Absent:

Benoit

Date:

October 28, 2014

XC:

DPSS

Prev. Agn. Ref.: none

District: All

Agenda Number:

Deputy

Kecia Harper-Ihem

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Positions Added

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

SUBJECT: Approval to waive Board Policy D-8, "County Vehicle Identification" for the Department of

Public Social Services

FORM 11: DATE: July 16, 2014

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Impact on Residents and Businesses

Social Workers perform an essential function to protect children or adults from abuse and neglect. Having the ability to remove the association of being a part of a government entity will assist with their investigation; resulting in improved child welfare and adult protection services to our citizens.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS POLICY

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COUNTY VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION D-8 1 of 1

Policy:

- 1. The official county seal which reads "County of Riverside" in decalcomania form, shall be placed on each and every piece of county vehicle, except such units as may be exempt by order of the Board of Supervisors.
- 2. Unmarked county vehicles are permitted to be used for investigative and collection work.
- 3. Unmarked county vehicles are permitted to be used by the Children's Services Division Adoptions staff in the Department of Public Social Services.
- 4. All cars assigned to the coroner are exempt from placement of the county emblem on the doors.
- 5. All other graphics must be reviewed by Purchasing and approved by the Board of Supervisors through the Form 11 process.

Reference:

Minute Order dated 09/12/55 Minute Order dated 03/28/72 Minute Order dated 05/29/67 Minute Order dated 01/31/66 Minute Order 3.17 of 02/03/87 Minute Order 3.3 of 04/10/07

Riverside County Board of Supervisors Request to Speak

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium), Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form. SPEAKER'S NAME:_____ Address: (only if follow-up mail response requested) City:_____Zip:_____ Phone #:_____ Date:_____ Agenda #__3~/ % PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW: Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item: ____Oppose ____Neutral Support Note: If you are here for an agenda item that is filed for "Appeal", please state separately your position on the appeal below: Support Oppose Neutral

I give my 3 minutes to:

BOARD RULES

Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please insure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

Individual Speaker Limits:

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.

Group/Organized Presentations:

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.