

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



ITEM: 3.4
(ID # 24175)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, February 06, 2024

FROM : EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Appointment of the Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures; All Districts. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Appoint Ms. Delia Jimenez Cioc to a four-year term as the Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures, effective March 3, 2024.

ACTION:Policy

Jeff Van Wageningen, County Executive Officer 1/31/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington and Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: February 6, 2024
xc: E.O., Agric. Comm.

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: Naomy Li
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment: N/A	
			For Fiscal Year: 23/24	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

In accordance with Section 2122 of the California Food and Agricultural Code, and Section 1220 of the Business and Professions Code respectively, the Board of Supervisors shall appoint a County Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures to a term of four years.

Mr. Ruben Arroyo was appointed as the County’s Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures on March 13, 2017, and reappointed to another four-year term on March 13, 2021. In December of 2023, Mr. Arroyo announced he will be retiring on March 2, 2024, after seven years with the County. As such, the Board of Supervisors must appoint a successor to fulfil this critical leadership role.

The Executive Office is recommending that the Board of Supervisors appoint Ms. Delia Jimenez Cioc to serve as the County’s next Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures effective March 3, 2024, upon Mr. Arroyo’s retirement. Ms. Jimenez Cioc brings the education, experience, aptitude, and enthusiasm to assume this role. She possesses nearly twenty years of experience with the Riverside County Agricultural Commissioner’s Office and is well-aware of the County’s needs and the department’s operations, which is responsible for overseeing 200,000 acres of agriculture with an estimated value of over \$1.4 billion. Ms. Jimenez Cioc started with Riverside County as an Agricultural and Standards Investigator in 2004 and moved through the inspector ranks, providing support to each of the department’s unique programs. She then occupied a Deputy Agricultural Commissioner position, and eventually assumed her current role as Assistant Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures in October of 2019. In her current assignment, Ms. Jimenez Cioc has helped lead the department, comprised of 57 full-time employees and an annual budget of \$8.2 million, and has been an integral part of the department’s leadership team. Ms. Jimenez Cioc possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Biology from Cal Poly Pomona as well as a graduate degree in Public Administration from Cal Baptist University.

Based upon Ms. Jimenez Cioc’s credentials and overall performance as Assistant Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer, it is recommended that she be appointed to the Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer of Weights and Measures position for a four-year term, effective March 3, 2024.

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Impact on Residents and Businesses

The Riverside County Agricultural Commissioner's Office promotes and protects the agricultural industry of the County and its environment, ensuring the health and safety of the County's citizens, and fostering confidence and equity in the marketplace through education and the fair and uniform enforcement of laws, regulations, and ordinances enacted by the people of the State of California and the County of Riverside.

Additional Fiscal Information

N/A