

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # *B-4

Urgent Routine *ohx*

AGENDA DATE November 3, 2015

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Appoint a Manager III Candidate in the Chief Executive Office - Capital Projects Division Above the Midpoint of the Salary Band

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve the appointment of Al Valencia to the position of Manager III with the Chief Executive Office - Capital Projects Division at an annual salary of \$96,000, which is above the midpoint of the salary band.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The annual salary range for the Manager III classification is \$65,187 to \$97,802. The recommended annual salary for Al Valencia is \$96,000. The cost of filling the Manager III position at a salary above the midpoint of the salary band, including benefits, is approximately \$141,000 annually (\$96,000 salary plus an approximate \$45,000 in benefits). This position will be funded from a combination of various Capital Projects, department revenue and General Fund contribution. Existing appropriations are included in the Department's Adopted Final Budget for 2015-2016.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2015-552

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Withrow

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: 
CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

The Capital Projects Division of the Chief Executive Office provides project planning and project management services for the remodeling and construction of all County facilities. Services are focused on planning, financing, design and construction projects for new and existing County facilities.

The Capital Projects Team has embarked on its largest construction effort in its history. The projects include the Assembly Bill 900 Phase II Public Safety Center Expansion Projects which will construct 480 maximum security detention beds, 72 medical/mental health beds, and security control in addition to an intake, release and transportation facility. The Team has also re-purposed a vacant County facility into a new state of the art Coroner facility which was completed in October of 2015. The Senate Bill 1022 Reentry and Enhanced Alternatives to Custody Training (REACT) Center project which will construct 288 transitional housing beds at the Public Safety Center site is currently in the design stage. Also planned is a new Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) which will be located within an existing wing of the Stanislaus Recovery Center at 1904 Richland Avenue in Ceres, adjacent to other behavioral health facilities. The Team is also embarking on a major facilities Business and Master Plan for the County's Social Services Programs. This project includes identification, evaluation and development of an Operational Service Delivery Plan and Facility Master Plan for the Community Services Facility. Other projects are in the planning phase with significant construction projects underway and planned.

There are two vacant Management Consultant positions that are part of the Capital Projects Team. One position was approved by the Board of Supervisors for appointment above the midpoint of the salary band at the Board of Supervisors meeting on October 27, 2015. The October 27 staff report noted a second appointment above the midpoint of the salary band would be forthcoming and staff is now recommending approval to fill that second position.

When filled, these positions serve as key team members and provide critical support, coordination, and management of the various projects. The Consultants will support projects through the various phases including planning, programming, design, construction and construction close-out. In addition, the Consultants will monitor project budgets and provide administrative field construction support to the construction management team.

A competitive open recruitment was conducted and Al Valencia was identified as a top candidate for the second of the two positions. The County is fortunate to have been able to identify a highly qualified candidate with construction and project management background as the combination of these skills has been difficult to realize.

Al Valencia brings eight years of project management experience in the construction industry. He has acted as the project manager, assistant project manager and project engineer for the construction of the San Jose Downtown Health Center, Palo Alto Library, San Jose State Student Union building, Rancho Mirage High School and Mercy Medical Center Hospital. He has performed pre-construction/start-up of the projects including developing a site specific

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safety plan, a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) action plan, and an indoor air quality control plan. He has prepared and developed the scope of work for project subcontractors and issued subcontracts as well as conducted regular on-site inspections to ensure compliance with all aspects of the project. Mr. Valencia holds a Bachelor's Degree in Construction Management and an Associate's Degree in Engineering/Architectural Drafting. The Capital Projects Team is very fortunate to have Mr. Valencia join its team. It is recommended that Mr. Valencia be appointed as a Manager III at \$96,000 per year which is above the midpoint of the salary band. Mr. Valencia earns \$96,000 annually with his current employer and the County offer of \$96,000 will prevent Mr. Valencia from a reduction in pay.

POLICY ISSUE:

Board approval is required to appoint unclassified employees at fifty-one percent or above of the salary band. Approval of these appointments supports the Board of Supervisors' priority of Efficient Delivery of Public Services by ensuring that the Chief Executive Office employs highly qualified candidates within its Capital Projects Team.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Approval of this recommendation will allow the positions in the Capital Projects Team of the Chief Executive Office to be filled with highly qualified candidates.

CONTACT PERSON:

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