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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Contra Costa County Merit Board will meet on August 13, 2019 at 900 Ward Street, Community Room (Entrance on Court Street), Martinez, AT 6:00 P.M.

At this meeting the Merit Board will consider and act upon such matters as may properly come before it.

MEETING LOCATION

900 WARD STREET, COMMUNITY ROOM, MARTINEZ

AGENDA

RECORDING OF MERIT BOARD MEETING

The Merit Board meetings are recorded and the recordings will be retained for a period of approximately ten years.

I. Consent Items

(Items are subject to removal from Consent Calendar by request of any Board Member or on request for discussion by a member of the public.)

- A. Approval of minutes of July 9, 2019**
- B. Board Meeting member reports**

II. Public Comment

PERSONS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD DURING PUBLIC COMMENT OR WITH RESPECT TO AN ITEM THAT IS ON THE AGENDA, WILL BE LIMITED TO TWO (2) MINUTES.

- A. Items on the agenda.**
- B. Items of general interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Merit Board.**

The Board Chair may reduce the amount of time allotted per speaker at the beginning of each item or public comment period depending on the number of speakers and the business of the day. Your patience is appreciated.

The Merit Board will provide reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities planning to attend Board meetings who contact the Merit Board staff at least 24 hours before the meeting at (925) 335-1703.

III. Old Business

- A. Consider the amended appeal of Lynn Soloway, Health Plan Nurse, Program Director, Health Services Department from rejection on probation.**
- 1. Consider correspondence received from Janice Amenta, Deputy County Counsel, County Counsel's office representing the appointing authority, stating the Merit Board does not have authority to independently determine dates of employment, and to only consider whether the appellant has demonstrated probable cause that she was rejected on probation on a protected activity or class.**
- B. Consider the appeal of Chad Mahalich, Deputy District Attorney, District Attorney's office from reprimand based on political retaliation. Both parties agreed to continue this matter from the June 25, 2019 Merit Board meeting to discuss a possible resolution.**

Consider additional correspondence from Chad Mahalich stating the parties were unable to reach a satisfactory resolution to the matter.

- 1. Consider the correspondence from Cynthia Schwerin, Deputy County Counsel, County Counsel's office, representing the appointing authority, requesting that the Board deny Chad Mahalich's request for a hearing due to an ongoing investigation being conducted by the Affirmative Action Officer, and to dismiss his premature appeal until the investigation has been concluded.**

IV. New Business

- A. None.**