



March 5, 2026

## CONSENT ITEM STAFF REPORT

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### **ITEM 7C. Adoption of Resolutions Requesting Consolidation with the November General Election and Adopting Regulations for Candidate Statements**

#### Recommendations:

1. Adopt the resolution requesting consolidation of the San Simeon CSD biennial election with the November general election; and
2. Adopt the resolution adopting regulations for candidate statements.

#### Discussion:

On April 22, 2022, the board established voting divisions for the five Board of Directors seats. Elections are split between even-numbered voting years. Two seats were eligible for election in 2024. Three of the seats, representing Divisions B, D, and E, are scheduled for election in 2026.

Requesting consolidation of District elections with the November general election provides efficiencies and cost savings to the District versus a special election. The District files this request each Board election cycle. (Attachment 1)

The District must also adopt policies and provide direction to the County Clerk-Recorder regarding statements of qualification by candidates who run for the Board of Directors. The attached resolution (Attachment 2) provides that the cost of producing optional candidate statements of qualifications will be charged to the individual candidate.

Staff requests the Board approve the recommended actions.

#### Attachments:

1. Resolution Requesting Consolidation with the November General Election
2. Resolution Adopting Regulations for Candidate Statements

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-XXX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN SIMEON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE SAN SIMEON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the San Simeon Community Services District ("District") is governed by a Board of Directors ("Board") committed to effectively representing the interests of the District's beneficiaries; and

WHEREAS, the regular election of the members of the Board is scheduled to occur on November 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the consolidation of the District Board election with the County of San Luis Obispo ("County") general election is in the public interest as it promotes greater voter participation and reduces the overall cost of the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code section 10400, the District is permitted to request the consolidation of its regular election with the statewide Presidential General Election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Elections Code section 10520, upon approval of such consolidation by the County, the District is obliged to reimburse the County for all costs incurred in conducting the consolidated election, thereby assuming financial responsibility for the related expenditures.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District as follows:

1. **Election Consolidation:** The Board hereby requests the consolidation of its upcoming governing board election with the general election conducted by the County of San Luis Obispo on November 3, 2026, pursuant to California Elections Code section 10400.
2. **Reimbursement of Costs:** The District commits to reimburse the County fully for all services provided and costs incurred in the conduct of the consolidated election, as mandated by California Elections Code section 10520. This includes, but is not limited to, all direct and indirect expenses such as staffing, equipment, materials, and overhead costs.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District on March 5, 2026, by the following roll call votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

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Chairperson, Board of Directors of the  
San Simeon Community Services  
District

**ATTEST:**

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San Simeon Community Services District

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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District Legal Counsel, Nubia I. Goldstein

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-XXX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN SIMEON  
COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE  
OFFICE PERTAINING TO, AND COSTS OF, CANDIDATE STATEMENTS  
SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL  
ELECTION**

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California requires the San Simeon Community Services District (“District”) Board of Directors (“Board”) to adopt certain policies in regard to statements of candidates who run for office as members of the governing board of the District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District as follows:

1. That the cost of printing, handling, and mailing candidates' statements of qualifications shall be charged to the candidate.
2. That the candidates' statement of qualifications shall not exceed 200 words.
3. The statement shall be filed with the County of San Luis Obispo (“County”) Registrar of Voters at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed.
4. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.
5. That the candidates are not permitted to submit additional materials to be sent to the voter with the County Voter Information Guide.
6. That the County Registrar of Voters be directed to give a copy of these regulations to each candidate, or their representative, at the time that nomination documents are received.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District on March 5, 2026, by the following roll call votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

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Chairperson, Board of Directors of the  
San Simeon Community Services  
District

**ATTEST:**

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San Simeon Community Services District

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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