

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-05-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SCHELL VISTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA
AUTHORIZE THE CONSOLIDATION OF DISTRICT ELECTIONS WITH THE STATEWIDE
GENERAL ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, in September 2015, the Governor signed Senate Bill No. 415, which in most instances requires political subdivisions, including cities, school districts, community college districts, and other districts organized pursuant to state law, to move their elections for governing board members from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years if their elections currently occur on odd-numbered years and have not historically met certain voter turnout requirements; and

WHEREAS, § 13886 of the California Health & Safety Code and §10404 of the California Elections Code permits the Schell Vista Fire Protection District Board of Directors to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma; and

WHEREAS, the Schell Vista Fire Protection District currently conducts its elections for members of the Board of Directors in November of odd-numbered years pursuant to Cal. Elections Code § 10505(c); and

WHEREAS, the District has not historically met the voter turnout requirements of Senate Bill No. 415, and it is the intent and desire of the Board of the Schell Vista Fire Protection District to provide its constituents with cost benefits, while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, the District has been informed that there would be a cost savings for the District resulting from consolidating the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the above facts, the District desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save District monies and to provide greater voter input into District elections; and

WHEREAS, if the consolidation of elections is approved, it is requested that the election date be moved from November, 2019, to November, 2020 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2019 necessarily being extended to 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That pursuant to the requirements of § 10404.5 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of the District election with the statewide general election on November 6, 2018, for the purpose of electing Two (2) Directors of the Board of Directors, and that future District elections shall be consolidated with the even-year statewide general election.

2. That pursuant to the requirements of § 10404, subd.(i) of the Elections Code, the terms of officeholders shall be extended until the next even year election following their current term expiration date.
3. That pursuant to the requirements of § 10404, subd.(f) of the Elections Code, the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at District expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters of the District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors, Schell Vista Fire Protection District, on the 6th day of December, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1

Bob Kuygar
President

Attest: Ram Wood
Sec of Board

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors, Schell Vista Fire Protection District, on the **3rd day of May 2017**, by the following vote:

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1

President

Robert Kungas

Attest:

Y. Ponderosa
Sec of Board