TO: Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Michael F. Brown  
County Executive Officer  
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SUBJECT: Appointments to the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force  

Recommendation(s):  
That the Board of Supervisors:  
Set a hearing for June 7, 2005 to appoint five individuals to the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:  
This recommendation is primarily aligned with: 1) An efficient government able to anticipate and respond effectively to the needs of the community, and 2) A strong, professionally managed County organization.

Executive Summary and Discussion:  
On May 3, 2005 the Board established the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force in order to: 1) identify budgeting best practices in both the public and private sectors that could be applied to enhance the internal and external County budget processes, 2) make the County budget process more transparent, and 3) promote more participation from the public.

Applications are being requested for positions on the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force. Interested individuals may contact the Clerk of the Board to receive and submit an application. Applications are available online.

The notice of vacancy is attached. This notice will run in the Santa Barbara News Press, Lompoc Record, Santa Maria Times, and Santa Ynez Valley News during the week of May 15. The notice states the deadline for submitting applications is Tuesday, May 24, 2005. This deadline will enable staff to prepare a Board
letter, compile the applications and docket this information on May 25, 2005 for the June 7, 2005 meeting of the Board.

On June 7, after the Board selects five individuals to serve on the Budget Task Force, staff intends to hold an orientation with the selected individuals on the afternoon of Friday, June 10, 2005 (as soon as legally possible according to Brown Act noticing requirements). This schedule will enable the Task Force members to attend or watch the budget hearings beginning the following Monday, June 13, 2005.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

None from the requested action.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:** None with the recommended action; the 2005-2006 Proposed Budget has $80,000 identified for costs associated with supporting the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force.

**Special Instructions:** That the Clerk of the Board place the hearing for the morning of June 7, 2005 to enable the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force to hold an orientation on Friday, June 10, 2005 in accordance with the 72 hour notice required by the Brown Act.

**Attachments:** Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force Vacancy Notice
NOTICE OF VACANCY

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BLUE RIBBON BUDGET TASK FORCE

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is accepting applications for five positions on the newly created BLUE RIBBON BUDGET TASK FORCE.

The Task Force is charged with 1) identifying budgeting best practices in both the public and private sectors that could be applied to enhance the internal and external County budget processes, 2) making the County budget process more transparent, and 3) promoting more participation from the public. The Task Force is scheduled to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors six months after its formation and may request an additional six month period to finalize its recommendations. The meeting times and frequency will be established by the Task Force.

Applications for this position are available at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors located in the County Administration Building, Fourth Floor, 105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407, Santa Barbara or by calling the Clerk of the Board Office at (805) 568-2240. Deadline for the submission of applications to the Clerk of the Board Office is Tuesday May 24, 2005.

For specific information regarding this Task Force, please contact the County Executive Office at (805) 568-3400.

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