

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

On the motion of Supervisor
Duly seconded by Supervisor
The following resolution is adopted:

**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA
CRUZ A COUNTYWIDE MEASURE TO ADOPT AN INITIATIVE PETITION
SUBMITTED BY VOTERS (THE “SANTA CRUZ COUNTY GREENWAY
INITIATIVE”); DIRECTING THE COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICIAL TO CONDUCT
THE ELECTION; AND DIRECTING CONSOLIDATION OF THE ELECTION WITH
THE REGULAR ELECTION OF JUNE 7, 2022**

WHEREAS, Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Division 9 of the California Elections Code, commencing with section 9101, provides procedures for submitting a proposed ordinance to the Board of Supervisors for adoption via the filing, circulation, and placement on the ballot of an initiative petition; and

WHEREAS, in July 2021, initiative proponents submitted to the Santa Cruz County Clerk of Elections (“County Clerk”) a notice of intention to circulate a county initiative petition, known as the “Santa Cruz County Greenway Initiative” (hereinafter “Petition”) along with the written text of the initiative, pursuant to Elections Code section 9103; and

WHEREAS, a true and correct copy of the text of the proposed initiative measure is attached hereto as Exhibit 1; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2021, initiative proponents presented to the County Clerk the Petition with 16,125 signatures; and

WHEREAS, after examining the Petition and signatures in accordance with Elections Code section 9114, on January 31, 2022, the County Clerk certified the initiative petition, confirming that 13,315 valid signatures had been gathered, which was a sufficient number to require the Board of Supervisors to take further action under Elections Code section 9118; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2022, the Board of Supervisors accepted said certification and ordered County staff to prepare a report pursuant to Elections Code section 9111 for presentation to the Board within thirty days; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2022, County staff presented the Elections Code section 9111 report to the Board of Supervisors and made it available for the public’s review; and

WHEREAS, under Elections Code section 9118(c), the Board of Supervisors is required to either adopt the ordinance set forth in the Petition within ten days of the date it receives the section 9111 report or order an election on the Petition under Elections Code section 1405; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code section 1405(a), an election for a county initiative petition that qualifies pursuant to section 9118 shall be held at the next statewide election occurring not less than 88 days after the date of the order of election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code section 10400, whenever two or more elections, including bond elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county, or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated upon the order of the governing body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requesting the consolidation shall be adopted and filed at the same time as the adoption of the ordinance, resolution, or order calling the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code section 1000 *et seq.*, the next statewide established election date is June 7, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

1) A County election is hereby called to be held throughout the County at the regular election date of June 7, 2022, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the County of Santa Cruz the following measure:

Measure - _____

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY GREENWAY INITIATIVE MEASURE:

Shall voters adopt the measure to amend the Circulation Element of the County’s General Plan related to use of the Santa Cruz Branch Line Rail Corridor as set forth in the Santa Cruz County Greenway Initiative Petition?

YES _____ NO _____

2) Said County election shall be held and conducted, the votes received and canvassed, the returns thereof made, and the result thereof ascertained and determined in accordance with the law, including but not limited to the provisions of Section 10418 of the Elections Code.

3) Said County election hereby called shall be and hereby is consolidated with any and all elections also called to be held throughout the County on June 7, 2022, in all respects as required by and pursuant to law, including but not limited to the provisions of Elections Code section 10400 *et seq.*

4) In accordance with the provisions of Elections Code section 9160, the County Counsel is hereby directed to prepare an impartial analysis of this measure.

5) Arguments for and against this measure may be submitted in conformance with Elections Code section 9161, *et seq.*

6) The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall file a copy of this Resolution with the County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT the Santa Cruz County Elections Department is requested to print the text of the proposed initiative measure attached hereto as Exhibit 1 in the County Voter Information Guide for the June 7, 2022, election date.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this _____ day of March 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

Manu Koenig, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Stephanie Cabrera
Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:

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Office of the County Counsel