ORDINANCE 2017-1130

MEETING: October 24, 2017

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Dallin Kimble, County Administrative Officer

RE: Tax Collector Qualifications Ordinance

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Waive the Second Reading and Adopt an Ordinance Adding a New Chapter 2.86 of the Mariposa County Code Regarding Treasurer-Tax Collector Qualifications Pursuant to California Government Code Section 27000.6

Mariposa County currently does not have any minimum qualifications for the elected office of treasurer-tax collector. California Government Code Sections 27000.7 - 27000.9 establish minimum criteria and requirements for ongoing professional development for treasurers and tax collectors but Section 27000.6 requires these criteria to be adopted by each jurisdiction in order to take effect.

The 2016-2017 Mariposa Grand Jury Final Report recommended, and staff agrees, that the state standards for the treasurer-tax collector should be adopted prior to the next filing deadline for the position, which is December 1, 2017.

This ordinance was introduced at the October 3, 2017, Board of Supervisors meeting.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has established minimum qualifications for other department head positions, including elected officials. For example, minimum qualifications for the auditor position were adopted with Ordinance 789 and are found in County Code Chapter 2.84.

The Board introduced this ordinance at the October 3, 2017, Board of Supervisors meeting.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve the ordinance and there will be no change to the current minimum qualifications for the treasurer-tax collector position.
Ordinance 2017-1130

ATTACHMENTS:
2017 Treasurer Tax Collector Requirements Ordinance  (DOCX)

RESULT:  ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
SECONDER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey
AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 2.86 (TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR) OF THE MARIPosa COUNTY CODE

WHEREAS, it is critical to the welfare of the County to maintain the professional qualifications of its staff, including the Treasurer-Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has established minimum qualifications recommended for the elected office of Treasurer / Tax Collector in Government Code Sections 27000.7 – 27000.9; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 27000.6 requires each County to enact an ordinance adopting the provisions of the aforementioned Sections for them to take effect;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPosa COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of California, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION I: Chapter 2.86 entitled “Treasurer / Tax Collector”, is hereby added to the Mariposa County Code to read in its entirety as follows:

2.86.010 Qualifications

No person shall hereafter be elected or appointed to the office of treasurer / tax collector unless he or she is eligible pursuant to Government Code Section 27000.7.

2.86.020 Continuing Education

Notwithstanding any other requirement of law, any duly elected or appointed county officer serving in the capacity of treasurer-tax collector shall be required to complete a valid continuing education program each year pursuant to Government Code Sections 27000.8 and 27000.9.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from the date of passage, pursuant to Government Code 25123.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of October, 2017, by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County by the following vote:

AYES: SMALLCOMBE, JONES, LONG, CANN, MENETREY
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

MARSHALL LONG, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

RENÉ LaROCHE
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
County Counsel