



Board of Directors Agenda Report

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2020 ITEM NUMBER:10E

SUBJECT: Consideration of and Vote on Whether to Dissolve the Board-created Diversity Committee

DATE: November 13, 2020

FROM: Director Ruiz and Director Kovacevich

PRESENTATION BY: Director Ruiz and Director Kovacevich

RECOMMENDATION

At the Board of Directors' discretion.

BACKGROUND

At the June, 2020 Board of Directors meeting, Board members voted to create a Diversity Committee to focus on diversity, inclusion and equality issues. Then Board Chair, Sandra Cervantes, appointed Directors Ruiz and Kovacevich to serve on the committee.

Because the Diversity Committee was created by the Board of Directors, it is subject to the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. The Diversity Committee members requested this agenda item to propose dissolving the committee. In its place, the Diversity Committee members recommend that the Board Chair consider creating, at her discretion, a two-person diversity committee. While this two-person committee created by the Board Chair would not be subject to the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, it would have the flexibility to schedule public meetings for input and ideas while maintaining the ability to meet separately with staff when required.