



BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: **JUNE 27, 2024** ITEM: **9F**

SUBJECT: **Board Discussion and Vote on Appointment of Member Entity Representative and Alternate to Serve on the California Construction Authority (CCA) Board of Directors**

DATE: June 20, 2024

FROM: Michele Richards, CEO

PRESENTATION BY: Michele Richards, CEO

Action Item

BACKGROUND

California Fairs Financing Authority, dba California Construction Authority (CCA), is a joint powers authority formed through the "Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement Among the County of Solano, the County of El Dorado, the 22nd District Agricultural Association (22nd DAA), the 32nd District Agricultural Association, and the 46th District Agricultural Association" (JPA) on July 1, 1988, and amended November 22, 1989. These five entities represent the Member Entities as defined in the JPA.

Prior to the formation of CCA, there was not a mechanism outside of the Department of General Services for California fairgrounds to take advantage of the opportunity to issue revenue bonds to fund major capital projects.

CCA's mission is to facilitate timely, cost-effective construction on California fairgrounds, providing construction project management, code compliance plan review, and construction inspection services to California fairgrounds.

The CCA Board is composed of five voting members: one appointed from each Member Entity and a sixth non-voting ex-officio member appointed by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA). CCA Board members serve for a term of five years, or until the appointment of a successor, at the pleasure of the appointing Member Entity. An alternate member is also appointed to serve by the Member Entity in the absence of the primary member appointed.

The 32nd DAA is one of the Member Entities of CCA.

On August 22, 2020, the 32nd DAA Board reaffirmed its decision to have the CEO represent the 32nd DAA on the Board of Directors for CCA, but did not appoint an alternate. CEO Richards is nearing the end of her current term on the CCA Board and is currently in her second term as Vice Chair.

Historically, a member of the District's executive team has served as the appointed and alternate representatives to the CCA Board, though a member of the 32nd DAA Board can also serve in these capacities.

RECOMMENDATION

It is the staff's recommendation to reaffirm CEO Richards' appointment to the CCA Board of Directors and select COO Ken Karns as the alternate to represent the 32nd DAA.