CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Administration Building Room 110 | 1025 Escobar St., Martinez, CA



AGENDA

Special Meeting
Visit by Taichung City Mayor Lu and Taichung City Delegation

Friday, July 26, 2024 2:00 PM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Supervisor John Gioia, District I Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor Ken Carlson, District IV Supervisor Federal D. Glover, District V

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- 1. Call to Order and Public Comment
- 2. Welcome by Chair of the Board Supervisors Federal D. Glover, and Supervisors John Gioia, Diane Burgis and Ken Carlson.
- 3. Introduction of Mayor Lu and City Delegation.
- 4. History of Sister County/City Relationship between Contra Costa County and Taichung.
- 5. Promotion of Sister-County Relationship.
- 6. Maintaining Bi-lateral Communication and Exchange.
- 7. Consent Item
 - C.1 ADOPT Resolution No. 2024-275 recognizing Contra Costa County's Sister-County/City Relationship with Taichung City, Taiwan and welcoming the Honorable Mayor Lu and her delegation to Contra Costa County.

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 2024-275
- 8. ADJOURN

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Staff Report

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Monica Nino, County Administrator

Report Title: Resolution recognizing Contra Costa County's Sister-County/City relationship with Taichung

City, Taiwan

⊠ Recommendation of the County Administrator □ Recommendation of Board Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS:

ADOPT Resolution No. 2024-275 recognizing Contra Costa County's Sister-County/City relationship with Taichung City, Taiwan, and welcoming the Honorable Mayor Lu and her delegation to Contra Costa County on July 26, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

BACKGROUND:

Contra Costa County established a "Sister City" relationship with (then) Taichung County, Taiwan, through a Board-adopted Resolution on August 11, 1981, in recognition of the mutual benefit to the citizens of Contra Costa County and Taichung through "cultural, agricultural, economic, athletic, and educational exchange."

The relationship has been fostered by delegation meetings over the year, including in 1984, 1999, and 2013. Supervisor Gioia personally visited Taiwan in 2004 to exchange ideas through a program sponsored by the Association of Bay Area Governments called the Sustainable Development Workshop.

A delegation from Taichung City (as it is now known), led by Mayor Lu, will be visiting Contra Costa County on July 26, 2024.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Sister-County/City relationship will not be advanced.

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

IN THE MATTER OF

Recognizing Contra Costa County's Sister-County/City Relationship with Taichung City, Taiwan, and Welcoming the Honorable Mayor Lu and Her Delegation to the County

WHEREAS,

Contra Costa County established a "sister city" relationship with then-Taichung County on August 11, 1981, in recognition of the mutual benefit to the citizens of Contra Costa County, California, and then-Taichung County, Taiwan, of this relationship through cultural, agricultural, economic, athletic, and educational exchange; and

WHEREAS, Taichung is a city located in west-central Taiwan, its second largest, with a population of just over 2.85 million people, that merged with Taichung County to form a single special municipality on December 25, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Taichung City, with inland hills and ocean coastline, a modern transportation system of freeways, railroads and airports, moderate climate, and a blend of agriculture and industry, has many characteristics in common with Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, it is important to foster and maintain Sister-County/City relationships through cultural and commercial exchanges and social visits; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County recognizes the value of a strong partnership with Taichung City in creating opportunities for mutual visits by its citizens, business, educational, and community leaders as well as the potential for commercial opportunities and the exchange of ideas; and

WHEREAS, it is a privilege to welcome the Honorable Mayor Lu and her delegation, so that she may share her vision with the Board of Supervisors for the further development of the Sister-County/City relationship with Contra Costa County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County welcomes the Honorable Mayor Lu from Taichung City, Taiwan, and her delegation and anticipates a successful exchange of ideas, best practices, and economic opportunities for the betterment of residents of both places.