STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING
Teleconference
August 18-19, 2020
NOTICE AND AGENDA
Meeting Agenda (as of 8/19/2020 9:30 AM)

Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

The BOE is actively monitoring the continuing developments surrounding the threat of the COVID-19 virus. We are guided by the following goals: (1) to protect the health of the public and our employees; (2) to help slow the spread of the virus in California and the nation; (3) to ensure the continuity of the work of the agency; and (4) to ensure all measures taken are in line with guidelines from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the California Department of Public Health, and the Governor’s Emergency Declarations.

In line with guidelines issued by the Department of Public Health, the Board is taking proactive measures to enable Board Members and the public to safely continue the work of the agency at public meetings while minimizing face-to-face interactions. During this time, BOE will be utilizing teleconference interaction tools for its meetings, consistent with the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20 (issued March 17, 2020; see Full Text Here).

In accordance with this guidance, this Board Meeting will occur remotely, with no physical Board Meeting location. Board Members will attend remotely. The public will be able to call in to hear the meeting telephonically or view the live webcast.

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The BOE strongly encourages virtual participation from any interested party. Additional information and updates related to this meeting will be provided on www.boe.ca.gov/meetings/info-081820.htm as they become available.

10:00 a.m.  Pledge of Allegiance

Board Meeting Convenes*

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There are no items for the following:
A. Special Taxes Appeals Hearings
B. Property Tax Appeals Hearings

C. Public Hearings

1. Taxpayers’ Bill of Rights Hearing + .................................Ms. Thompson

Public hearing to allow taxpayers to comment on items in the Taxpayers’ Rights Advocate Annual Report or issues related to the agency’s administration of its tax programs. Taxpayers can share their experiences with property tax problems they may be having so the agency can help facilitate resolution.

There are no items for the following:
D. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Consent
E. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Adjudicatory
F. Other Tax Program Nonappearance Matters

Chief Counsel Matters
Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

G. Rulemaking

1. Proposed Readoption of Emergency Property Tax Rule 202 + ....... Mr. Lin

Staff requests readoption of emergency Rule 202, Allocation of Aircraft of Certificated Air Carriers and Scheduled Air Taxi Operators, to extend the original term and provide sufficient time for the adoption and authorization of the certificate of compliance, which will make the emergency rule permanent.
H. Property and Special Taxes
   There are no items for this matter.

I. Other Chief Counsel Matters
   1. Staff update: Jeffrey Prang, Los Angeles County Assessor v. Amen Family Trust, Appellate Case No. B298794, Second Appellate District, Division 5 ..........Mr. Nanjo/ Mr. Moon
      Informational update on amicus curiae brief requested of staff.

Administrative Session
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J. Administrative Consent Agenda .......................................................... Ms. Davis
   (Contribution Disclosure forms not required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)
   1. Approval of Corrected Board Meeting Minutes
      • June 9, 2020 +
   2. Invitation to Annual Meeting of the Board and County Assessors +
      Request approval to invite County Assessors to meet with the State Board of Equalization and discuss issues relating to property assessment administration.

K. Other Administrative Matters
   1. Executive Director’s Report ......................................................Ms. Fleming
      a. Extension of Time for Official Acts +
         Report on time extension for official acts for the Sacramento County Assessment Appeals Board and duties designated to the Clerk of the Board, pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 155 and Property Tax Rule 1051.
   2. Chief Counsel Report
      There are no items for these matters.
   3. Property Tax Deputy Director’s Report ........................................Mr. Yeung
      a. Overview of Proposition 19 (ACA 11) and the Implementation Impact on BOE
There are no items for the following matters:
4. Legislative, Research & Statistics Division Chief’s Report
5. Taxpayers’ Rights Advocate Office’s Report
6. Other Administrative Matters

L. Board Member Requested Matters
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1. New Matters
   There are no items for these matters.

2. Board Member Initiatives
   a. Los Angeles County Assessor’s Office Training Pilot Program
      Update on pilot program with the Los Angeles County Assessor’s Office. Information only, no action requested.

M. Public Policy Hearings
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   A discussion and possible action regarding procedural and due process issues in remote hearings to ensure continuity of business in the pandemic, protect the rights of all parties, provide guidance, and seek additional authorities or actions if required.
      Judicial Council
      Speakers: Martin Hoshino, Administrative Director, Judicial Council of California
                Robert Oyung, Chief Operating Officer, Judicial Council of California
                Hon. Sheila F. Hanson, Chair, Judicial Council of California Advisory Committee; Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange
                Greg Harding, Information Technology Director, Superior Court of California, County of Placer
Office of Administrative Law

Speakers:  Mark Kruger, Presiding Administrative Law Judge, State Personnel Board
          Jill Schlichtmann, Presiding Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Hearings, General Jurisdiction Division
          Mark Ibele, Director, Office of Tax Appeals

County Boards of Equalization / Assessment Appeals Boards

Speaker:  John McKibben, Committee Chair, California Association of Clerks and Election Officials

County Assessors

Speakers:  Hon. Don H. Gaekle, President, California Assessors’ Association, and Stanislaus County Assessor
          Hon. Lawrence E. Stone, Santa Clara County Assessor

Taxpayers

Speaker:  Cris K. O’Neall, Chair, California Alliance of Taxpayer Advocates

b. Examination of Business Continuity Plans: Challenges, Opportunities, Lessons Learned, and Perspectives
   (Rescheduled to August 19, 2020)

c. County Boards of Equalization/Assessment Appeals Boards Remote Hearings: Discussion on Guidance and Determining if Additional Authorities, Rules, or Actions are Required
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N. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda
Persons who wish to address the Board of Equalization regarding items not on the agenda may do so under this item on the agenda. Please note that the Board cannot take action on items not on the agenda. However, the Board can schedule issues raised by the public for consideration at future meetings.

O. Closed Session
There are no items for these matters.

Recess - The meeting will reconvene on Wednesday, August 19, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

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b. Examination of Business Continuity Plans: Challenges, Opportunities, Lessons Learned, and Perspectives (Rescheduled from August 18, 2020)

Urban Counties

Speakers:  Amin Almuhajab, Chief Information Officer, Executive Office of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Jennifer Tran, Chief, Assessment Appeals Division, Executive Office of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Marvice Mazyck, Chief Deputy Clerk, San Diego County Board of Supervisors
Carole F. Ruwart, Deputy City Attorney, City & County of San Francisco

Mid-Size Counties
   Speakers:  Kyreen Gonzalez, Deputy Clerk, Sonoma County Board of Supervisors
             Julie Dachtler, Senior Deputy Clerk, Yolo County Board of Supervisors
             Hon. Shelly Scott, Marin County Assessor-Recorder-Clerk

Rural Counties
   Speaker:  Melanie Curtis, Deputy Clerk, Kings County Board of Supervisors

Taxpayers
   Speakers:  Paul A. Waldman, CMI, President, California Alliance of Taxpayer Advocates
             Scott Kaufman, Legislative Director, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

c. County Boards of Equalization/Assessment Appeals Boards
   Remote Hearings: Discussion on Guidance and Determining if Additional Authorities, Rules, or Actions are Required
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BOE
   Speaker:  Richard Moon, Tax Counsel IV, BOE

Urban Counties
   Speakers:  Thomas R. Parker, Deputy County Counsel, Los Angeles County
             Marvice Mazyck, Chief Deputy Clerk, San Diego Board of Supervisors
             Lisa Cho, Deputy County Counsel, San Mateo County
             Marcy L. Berkman, Deputy County Counsel, Santa Clara County

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             Julie Dachtler, Senior Deputy Clerk, Yolo County Board of Supervisors

Rural Counties
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Taxpayers

Speakers: Peter Kotschedoff, Chair Emeritus, California Alliance of Taxpayer Advocates
Scott Kaufman, Legislative Director, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

**Workforce Planning Workgroup Stakeholder Meeting**

Discussion and possible action on Board direction to conduct stakeholder meetings to (1) assess current county and state appraiser workforce capacity, (2) discuss the current and projected challenges with recruitment, retention, and training, (3) identify opportunities and recommended actions, both short and long term, to ensure the County Assessors and BOE have sufficient skilled appraisers and training programs for efficient, effective and modernized property tax administration.

1. Workforce Assessment—Recruitment and Retention

   a. California Assessors’ Association Workforce Assessment—Overview

   Discussion of current and projected vacancy levels (Silver Tsunami, Split Roll, etc.), current minimum qualifications (MQs) for recruitment/hiring, and challenges and/or opportunities for modernization.

   Speakers: Hon. Don H. Gaekle, President, California Assessors’ Association, and Stanislaus County Assessor
   Hon. Charles W. Leonhardt, Plumas County Assessor
   George Reinke, Assistant Assessor, Los Angeles County Assessor’s Office

   b. California Assessors’ Association Assessment—Retention

   Discussion of current and projected attrition rates and the general reasons, current efforts used to retain and/or promote appraisers, challenges (classifications, pay parity, compensation, etc.), and opportunities for modernization.

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   c. BOE Workforce—General Assessment

   Discussion of current and projected vacancy levels (Silver Tsunami, Split Roll, etc.), minimum qualifications (MQs) for recruitment/hiring; Challenges (classification issues, pay parity, compensation, etc.), BOE Recruitment Program, and opportunities for modernization.
Speaker: Lisa Renati, Chief Deputy Director, BOE

2. Mandated Appraiser Certification Training .......................................................... Mr. Vazquez

   a. California Assessors’ Association Assessment of Training

      Discussion of Assessor office training methods, efforts, for newly hired appraisers, training challenges and/or gaps, and opportunities for modernization.

      Speakers: Hon. Christina Wynn, Chair, Education Committee, California Assessors’ Association, and Sacramento County Assessor
                Jim Glickman, MAI, Chief Appraiser, Sacramento County Assessor’s Office
                Hon. Chuck Leonhardt, Plumas County Assessor
                George Reinke, Assistant Assessor to Los Angeles County Assessor Prang

   b. BOE General Assessment of Training

      Discussion of BOE Appraiser Certification Requirements, BOE Appraiser Training programs, and opportunities for modernization (e.g. expand Appraiser training program).

      Speaker: David Yeung, Deputy Director, Property Tax Department, BOE

3. Community College Curriculum and Partnerships ................................................. Mr. Vazquez

   Discussion and overview of existing appraiser training classes offered by Community Colleges, and review of partnership opportunities to expand Appraiser training options available through Community Colleges, including consideration of minimum appraiser job demand needed for community colleges to expand offerings and the possibility of short-term certificate or condensed “career academy” opportunities.

   Speakers: Sheneui Weber, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development, California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office
             Brian King, Chancellor, Los Rios Community College District
             Ryan Cornner, Vice Chancellor - Educational Programs and Institutional Effectiveness, Los Angeles Community College District

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08/17/20 | M1 | Update: Impact of COVID-19 on Property Tax Administration: County Boards of Equalization / Assessment Appeals Boards Remote Hearings | Speakers Added

08/17/20 | Workforce Planning Workgroup Stakeholder Meeting | Speakers Added

08/17/20 | L2a | Los Angeles County Assessor's Office Training Pilot Program | Postponed

08/17/20 | M1a | Current Status of Remote Procedural and Evidentiary Hearings in CA: Challenges, Opportunities, Lessons Learned, and Perspectives | Speaker Updated

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