



Board of Supervisors

Santa Cruz County

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District 1

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AGENDA

April 1, 2026 at 9:30 AM

**Santa Cruz County Complex
2150 N. Congress Drive, Room 120
Nogales, AZ 85621**

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A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors calls this meeting to order on April 1, 2026, at 9:30 AM in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room 119, located at 2150 N. Congress Dr., Nogales, AZ 85621. The doors to the meeting room open at 9:15 a.m. Please join us for the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Board may change the order of items, remove or postpone items, as needed to ensure the efficient conduct of business.

C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

This is the time for the public to comment. The Board may not discuss items that are not specifically listed on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), any action taken in response to public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to criticism, or placing the matter on a future agenda for further discussion and possible action.

Public comments should be limited to three (3) minutes or less. The Board requests that speakers refrain from using speech or language that is offensive or inappropriate. The Chair, or the Acting Chair, may limit discussion as necessary to ensure the orderly and efficient conduct of the meeting.

To speak in person: Members of the public wishing to speak during Call to the Public must attend the meeting and submit a Speaker Slip to the Clerk of the Board prior to the start of the meeting. Speakers will be called in the order received. After all submitted Speaker Slips have been addressed, the Chair may, at their discretion, invite additional public comments.

To submit comments by email: Comments or questions may be submitted by email to clerkoftheboard@santacruzcountyaz.gov no later than March 31, 2026, at 5:00 PM for the April 1, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

Please include the following information with your email:

- Meeting date(s)
- Relevant agenda item number and title (if applicable)
- Your full name and phone number

D. CURRENT EVENTS

Board members may present brief summaries of current events, including updates on meetings, conferences, or other official activities related to County business. No discussion, deliberation, or action will take place on any matter presented during Current Events.

1. Board of Supervisors
2. Manager

E. DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

The Finance Department will provide its report, including updates on cash and investments, as well as expenditures and revenue. County departments may also present brief reports or updates on current projects, operations, or activities related to County business. No discussion, deliberation, or action will take place on items presented during Department Reports and Activities.

1. Finance: cash & investments, expenditures & revenue reports
2. Department(s) update
3. Awards, Recognitions & Accomplishments:
 - a Recognition of the Arizona Department of Transportation for its efforts in maintaining clean and safe highways and for its continued dedication and service to the community (Req: Supervisor Davis)

F. STUDY SESSION

The purpose of the Study Session is to receive information, review materials, and engage in detailed discussion on the matter presented. Study Sessions are informational only; no action or decision will be taken.

- 1. South32 Hermosa Quarterly Update by Pat Risner, President of South32 Hermosa
- 2. Santa Cruz County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) by Sobeira Castro, Emergency Management Director and Dave Richins, Southwest Policy Advocates Consultant
- 3. Government 101: Roles and Responsibilities of Health Services by Jeff Terrell, Director and staff

G. FLOOD CONTROL

When acting as the Flood Control District, the Board may receive the monthly Flood Control report. Additional reports may be presented as necessary. Items listed under Flood Control may also include action items related to and funded by the Flood Control District when appropriate.

- 1. Director's/Project Report
- 2. Monthly Report from City of Nogales
- 3. Monthly Report from the Town of Patagonia
- 4. Public Comment

H. JAIL DISTRICT

When acting as the Jail District, the Board will consider items related to and funded by the Jail District budget. Items listed under the Jail District may include action items when appropriate.

- 1. Discussion/possible action for authorization to fill five (5) vacant Detention Officer positions (Req: Sheriff) _____

I. ACTION ITEMS

Action Items consist of matters presented to the Board for consideration, discussion, direction, or decision. Listed with sufficient detail, these items may pertain to motions, resolutions, agreements, budget or staffing issues, or requests for policy direction. This section also includes matters brought forward for discussion or guidance that do not require formal Board action.

- 1. Discussion/possible action for direction regarding next steps related to the Services Agreement with the Nogales–Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce (Req: Chairman Molera) _____
- 2. Discussion/possible action to approve Proclamation declaring:
 - a April 2026 as Arizona County Government Month (Req: Vice-Chairman Fanning) _____
 - b April 2026 as Early Childhood Education Awareness Month (Req: School Superintendent) _____
 - c April 19 through April 25, 2026, as National Library Week (Req: Supervisor Davis) _____
 - d April 12, 2026 through April 18, 2026 as National Public Safety Tele-Communicators Week (Req: Sheriff) _____
 - e April 19, 2026 through April 25, 2026 as National Volunteer Week (Req: Sheriff) _____
- 3. Discussion/possible action to approve Contract for Special Deputy with Center for Rural American Justice by and through Garek Kartchner, for litigation of a pending criminal case with upcoming hearings and trial in the amount of \$15,000 (Req: County Attorney) _____

J. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda will be considered as a group and acted on by one motion with no separate discussion unless by the request of a Board Member. Upon the request of an item to be removed from the Consent Agenda, the item will be placed under the regular Action Items section of the agenda.

- 1. Discussion/possible action for authorization to create and fill Director of Communications and Community Relations position (Req: County Manager) _____
- 2. Discussion/possible action for authorization to fill vacant:
 - a Chief Deputy Probation Officer position (Req: Probation) _____
 - b Deputy Corporal position (Req: Sheriff) _____
 - c Environmental Health Technician position (Req: Health Services) _____

- d Administrative Assistant, Senior position (Req: Finance) _____
- 3. Discussion/possible action to approve Contribution Agreement with South32 Hermosa Inc. to support the County's financial planning capacity through the funding of an independent financial planning advisor/consultant for a one (1) year term, in the reimbursable amount of \$250,000 (Req: Deputy County Manager) _____
- 4. Discussion/possible action to approve Santa Cruz County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) to provide a structured and proactive approach to identifying wildfire vulnerable areas, prioritizing fuel reduction efforts, and enhancing community protection and preparedness (Req: Emergency Management) _____
- 5. Discussion/possible action to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona (CFB) to ensure the coordinated, effective, and timely distribution of food and water to affected residents during emergencies and disasters for a period of five (5) years (Req: Emergency Management) _____
- 6. Discussion/possible action to approve Agreement with Southwest Decision Resources for consulting services on the Comprehensive Plan Amendments in the amount not to exceed \$88,500 (Req: Community Development) _____
- 7. Discussion/possible action to approve Resolutions with Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Office of the Courts, Juvenile Justice Services Division for the Family Counseling Program: (Req: Probation)
 - a Resolution No. 2026-03 for Fiscal Year 2026 requiring matching amount of \$2,019 for the funding amount of \$8,075 _____
 - b Resolution No. 2026-04 for Fiscal Year 2027 requiring a matching amount of \$2,052 for the funding amount of \$8,209 _____
- 8. Discussion/possible action to approve Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Conference Technologies, Inc.: (Req: Superior Court)
 - a Proposal No. J26170030 for Courtroom 1 Audio-Visual Upgrade as part of the Arizona Court System's broader Audio-Visual improvements in the amount of \$63,327.62 _____
 - b Proposal No. J26170035 for Public Address System with Console as part of the Arizona Court System's broader improvements in the amount of \$31,061.04 _____
- 9. Discussion/possible action to approve Funding Agreement No. 116-26 and related forms with the Arizona Department of Housing for Pierson Field Recreation Enhancements as a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project effective from April 1, 2026 through April 1, 2027 in the funding amount of \$287,500 (Req: Special Projects) _____
- 10. Discussion/possible action to approve Business Associate Agreement with the Arizona Partnership for Immunization (TAPI) to establish and implement safeguards for protected health information in accordance with HIPAA from April 1, 2026 through December 31, 2030 funded through insurance administrative fees (Req: Health Services) _____
- 11. Discussion/possible action to approve Subcontract with Southeast Arizona Health Education Center for senior health promotion and coordination funding relating to public health issues faced by seniors and other related services from April 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026 funded by previously approved Contract No. CTR076497 in the amount of \$18,999.20 (Req: Health Services) _____
- 12. Discussion/possible action to approve Bond for Duplicate Warrant #4-689810 in the amount of \$195.25 dated 02/02/2026 payable to Wex Bank (Req: School Superintendent) _____
- 13. Discussion/possible action to approve Rental Agreement with Election Systems & Software (ES&S) for the replacement of ExpressVote units with new units effective through July 31, 2027, with up to three (3) one-year extensions in the amount of \$7,017.50 upon execution and in the annual amounts of \$115,203.50 for FY27, \$108,186 for FY28, and \$114,135 for FY29 & FY30 (Req: Elections) _____

- 14. Discussion/possible action to approve the Recommendation of Approval for a Special Event License Application for: (Req: Clerk)
 - a St. Ann's Parish & Its Missions for an event on May 3, 2026 in Tubac
 - b Magical Builders for an event on April 18, 2026 in Sonoita
- 15. Approval of Tax Valuation Adjustments: (Req: Assessor)
 - a 112-11-360 - Haciendas of Tubac LLC, Resolution No. 57403
 - b 112-11-360 - Tubac Management Co LLC, Resolution No. 57404
 - c 101-49-095 - Hector Tapia, Resolution No. 57405
 - d 101-49-095 - Hector Tapia, Resolution No. 57406
- 16. Approval of Minutes: 03/18/2026 & 03/23/2026 Special Meeting
- 17. Approval of Demands

K. ADJOURNMENT

Posted: 03/27/2026 at 4:45 p.m. by NB
Alma Schultz, Clerk of the Board

The Board of Supervisors may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's Attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

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