



MEMORANDUM
FROM THE OFFICE
OF COUNTY COUNSEL

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Anthony J. La Bouff, County Counsel

DATE: December 13, 2011

RE: COMMENDATION – Approve a Commendation congratulating Scott Finley on his retirement as a Supervising Deputy County Counsel after 16 years of service.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve a Commendation congratulating Scott Finley on his retirement as a Supervising Deputy County Counsel after 16 years of service.

BACKGROUND:

Scott Finley commenced his employment with the County of Placer on June 10, 1996, as a Deputy County Counsel II and has provided legal services to County management on a number of important and significant County issues over the past 16 years. In April 2003, Scott Finley transferred to the LAFCO offices and became the Executive Director of LAFCO where he successfully modernized and updated the Agency's procedures and policy while processing applications before the Agency.

In April 2005, Scott Finley returned to the County Counsel's office and in June 2005 was promoted to Supervising Deputy County Counsel overseeing Land Development, Facility Services and Public Works. Scott has been a dedicated public servant and is highly respected by his co-workers and client departments.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

**In the matter of a Commendation honoring
Scott Finley for 16 years of dedicated
Public service to Placer County**

WHEREAS, prior to working for Placer County, Scott Finley provided legal services as a Deputy City Attorney for the City of Roseville and as a Deputy County Counsel in El Dorado County and in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, Scott Finley commenced his employment with the County of Placer on June 10, 1996, as a Deputy County Counsel II and was assigned to assist with a wide variety of legal services provided by the office of County Counsel. In October, 1997 Scott Finley was promoted to Senior Deputy County Counsel continuing his excellent services; and

WHEREAS, in April 2003, Scott Finley transferred to the LAFCO offices and became the Executive Director of LAFCO where he successfully modernized and updated the Agency's procedures and policy while processing applications before the Agency. In April 2005, Scott Finley returned to the County Counsel's office promoting to Supervising Deputy County Counsel overseeing Land Development, Facility Services and Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Scott Finley assisted the County in the development of several community plans including Martis Valley Community Plan Projects, Foresthill Divide Community Plan, Homewood Master Plan, Timberline Master Plan, Placer Vineyards Specific Plan, Riolo Vineyards Specific Plan, Regional University Specific Plan, Granite Bay Community Plan Update. Scott Finley has helped support the land development process in some of the largest and most complicated unincorporated areas of Placer County, including the implementation of the Dry Creek Community Facilities District, Bohemia CUP/EIR, Teichert Aggregate Mine CUP, Dry Creek Community Facilities District, Bond Screening Committee Rules, Biomass Power Generation, FERC Relicensing, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Home Depot, Rancho Del Oro, Enclave at Granite Bay, Bayside Church, Bunch Creek Rezone, Northstar Village, Northstar Highlands, Village at Squaw Valley (Intrawest) Sandy Beach/Tahoe Vista Partners, Tonopalo, and the Kings Beach Core Improvement Project, as well as numerous subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, Scott Finley has handled numerous pieces of litigation successfully on behalf of Placer County including Friends of Five Lakes, Bear Creek Association v. County of Placer; and has advised numerous independent Boards including the Assessment Appeals Board, Western Placer Waste Management Authority, Flood Control District and others; and

WHEREAS, Scott Finley has received numerous letters of commendation, thanks and appreciation, as well as an Exceptional Teamwork Award for his contribution to the Placer Vineyards Development Team; and

WHEREAS, Scott Finley has demonstrated the highest standards consistent with the California State Bar, has contributed substantially to Placer County as an organization in advancing the services to the County of Placer and to its citizenry. Scott Finley has particularly been of great support to the County Counsel, routinely providing insight, legal analysis and judgment as the office addressed the legal needs of the organization and the community; and

WHEREAS, Scott Finley has done so with good cheer and earned everyone's respect, is often sought out by County departments and is widely liked; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT, on this 13th day of December, 2011 on behalf of the citizens of the County of Placer, the Placer County Board of Supervisors wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation of Scott Finley's dedicated service to Placer County and wish him a long and equally fruitful retirement.

Robert M. Weygandt, Chairman

Jack Duran
Supervisor, District 1

Kirk Uhler
Supervisor, District 4

Jim Holmes
Supervisor, District 3

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Supervisor, District 5