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AGENDA ITEM

DATE: February 9, 2021

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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

IMMEDIATE VACCINATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 vaccination phased roll-out plan was initially brought before the Board of Supervisors on December 8, 2020. The vaccination efforts were implicitly brought forth with a focus on vaccinating those members of our community whose jobs are critical to the response effort by providing direct care and maintaining societal function, as well as those at highest risk for developing illness from COVID-19. With this as the framework for the tiered prioritization of vaccination dissemination, law enforcement personnel were excluded from the first tier of eligibility. Although law enforcement personnel often come into contact with a significant number of individuals while responding to calls, they were included in a lower tier than other emergency personnel and those who respond to emergency incidents.

This item requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to prioritize the vaccination of law enforcement personnel by supporting their immediate vaccination eligibility through the inclusion of law enforcement in Tier 1A of the County’s vaccination plan.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

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1. Direct the CAO to move law enforcement personnel to Tier 1A of the County’s vaccination plan and take any necessary steps to ensure they have prompt access to COVID-19 vaccinations.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

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BACKGROUND

There are currently over 4,000 local law enforcement officers routinely called to respond to emergency incidents, where individuals often require medical attention and CPR directly from officers. Along with their emergency personnel and first responder counterparts, this places the region's law enforcement personnel in direct contact with individuals who may have been exposed to or have contracted COVID-19. Law enforcement officers serve high-risk populations daily, in our jail system and on call in our communities. Without vaccinations, they are putting their medical counterparts, their co-workers, their families and themselves at risk. Local law enforcement agencies have experienced confirmed outbreaks, adversely impacting their staffing levels and capacity to serve the public. The County has recognized the importance of placing medical first responders and firefighters in the top tier vaccination category for our region. We must also recognize the need to prioritize the vaccination of all emergency personnel by advancing law enforcement to Tier 1A of the vaccination plan and immediately making them eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccinations.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

Respectfully submitted,



JOEL ANDERSON
SUPERVISOR, SECOND DISTRICT

ATTACHMENT(S)

N/A

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED

 Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:

N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):

N/A

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