



Board Agenda Item 6

DATE: September 21, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Jean M. Rousseau, County Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Confirm Appointment of the Director of the Department of Public Health

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Confirm appointment of David Luchini, effective October 4, 2021, to the position of Director of the Department of Public Health pursuant to Fresno County Charter Section 16.

Approval of the recommended action will confirm David Luchini as the Director of the Department of Public Health. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

Your Board could choose not to confirm the appointment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. Sufficient funding is included within the Department of Public Health's Org 5620 FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Fresno County Charter, with your Board's approval of the recommended action, the appointment of David Luchini to the position of Director of the Department of Public Health by the County Administrative Officer will be confirmed.

David Luchini has been serving as the Interim Director of the Department of Public Health since May 3, 2021 and was selected as the best candidate for the Director of the Department of Public Health for the County of Fresno.

Mr. Luchini's selection was based on his experience and the reputation he has built at the County during his 27 years of service within the Department of Public Health. Mr. Luchini graduated from St. Mary's College with a bachelor's in science for Nursing and started working for the Department of Public Health in 1993 as a field Public Health Nurse. He provided case management services for high-risk pregnancies, high risk infant cases, communicable disease investigations, and senior services. In 1997 he was promoted to Supervising Public Health Nurse for the Immunization Program/Clinic. In 2011 he accepted a position with Kaiser Permanente in Fresno to be the Director of Adult Services. However, in 2012, he returned to his true love of working on public health and came back to the Fresno County Department of Public Health. Mr. Luchini is passionate about his work in Public Health. He was promoted to Assistant Director in 2012 and has provided critical leadership and support during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CAO ANALYST:

Ron Alexander