POLICY RESOLUTION NO. BOS-2018-14

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY
OF SANTA CLARA ADDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' POLICY
MANUAL SECTION 3.63 RELATING TO AUTOMATIC RECOUNTS IN LOCAL RACES

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to give direction and set policy for such matters for which the responsibility of decisions is placed on it by virtue of State codes, County Charter or specific ordinances and resolutions or relates to its broad policy-making authority to matters regarding Santa Clara County;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to clearly state and compile policies and to provide for distribution of these policies to affected decision-makers; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Manual is not set by ordinance, is not legally binding, and can be changed by adoption of a resolution approved by a majority of the Board of Supervisors and is intended to give guidance to staff and future members of the Board of Supervisors;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, that the Board of Supervisors' Policy Manual is hereby amended by adoption of this resolution to add Section 3.63 relating to Automatic Recounts in Local Races, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein, and the Clerk of the Board is directed to incorporate the policy into the manual so that it is available to all County staff.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, on FEB 27 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: CHAVEZ, CORTESI, SIMITIAN, WASSERMAN, YEAGER

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CINDY CHAVEZ, President
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

MEGAN DOYLE
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

DANIELLE L. GOLDSMITH
Deputy County Counsel

Exhibits to this Resolution:
A – Board Policy Manual Section 3.63 relating to Automatic Recounts in Local Races
EXHIBIT A

3.63 AUTOMATIC RECOUNTS IN LOCAL RACES

The Registrar of Voters shall conduct, prior to certification of election results, manual recounts in all contests wholly contained within Santa Clara County (excluding those for state and federal office) where the margin of victory is either less than 0.25 percent of the ballots cast, or less than 25 votes, except for countywide races or citywide races in the City of San José for which machine recounts may be used.