

## 2.a. 7/25/2024

# MINUTES June 27, 2023

Present

Michael Vargas, Chair

Commissioners:

Stephen Corona

Linda Molina, Alternate

Kevin Jeffries Stephen Tomanelli

Harvey Ryan, Alternate

Absent

Castulo Estrada

Commissioners:

Yxstian Gutierrez, Vice Chair

Steve Sanchez

Present Staff:

Gary Thompson, Executive Officer

Crystal Craig, Assistant Executive Officer

Elizabeth Valdez, Commission Clerk Melissa Cushman, Legal Counsel

1. CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG.

Chair Vargas called the meeting to order at approximately 9:02 a.m.

- 1.2. ROLL CALL.
- 1.3. POTENTIAL REQUEST BY ONE OR MORE COMMISSIONERS TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY AND UTILIZE AB 2449'S JUST CAUSE OR EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES, POTENTIAL VOTE ON LATTER.

 $\underline{\text{Brad Anderson}}$  submitted a written comment on this item opposing the use of AB 2449 for meetings.

1.4. ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMISSION MEMBERS.

Counsel Cushman made a statement to the public regarding disclosure of contributions made to Commissioners.

- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:
  - a. May 23, 2024

Moved (Corona) seconded (Molina) to approve the Minutes of the May 23, 2024, meeting.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Corona, Molina, Jeffries, Tomanelli, Ryan, and Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Gutierrez.

ABSTAINED: None.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

There were no public comments.

## 4. CONSENT CALENDAR (NON-HEARING ITEMS):

- a. LAFCO Monthly Expenditure Review.
- b. Commission Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

Moved (Corona) seconded (Molina) to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Corona, Molina, Jeffries, Tomanelli, Ryan, and Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Gutierrez.

ABSTAINED: None.

### 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

## Continued:

There were no continued public hearing items.

## New:

a. 2024 Biennial Review of the LAFCO Conflict of Interest Code for the Commission and Designated Staff.

Mr. Thomspon stated that this review was required every two years. He stated that there was no official amendment being made to the code, just a few typos being corrected in the document.

Chair Vargas opened the public hearing there being no one wishing to speak he closed the public hearing.

Moved (Tomanelli) seconded (Molina) to approve the 2024 Biennial Review of the LAFCO Conflict of Interest Code as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Corona, Molina, Jeffries, Tomanelli, Ryan, and Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Gutierrez.

ABSTAINED: None.

#### 6. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Approval of the Professional Services Agreement Between Onsite Computing, Inc. and the Riverside Local Agency Formation Commission for Information Technology Services.

Mr. Thomspon stated that the PSA with Onsite Computing, Inc. was expiring June 30th. He stated that this was a three-year agreement and included all the new services, such as moving into the cloud, in the monthly charges. He stated these charges were included in the Budget.

Moved (Tomanelli) seconded (Molina) to approve the Professional Services Agreement Between Onsite Computing, Inc. and the Riverside Local Agency Formation Commission for Information Technology Services as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Corona, Molina, Jeffries, Tomanelli, Ryan, and Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Gutierrez.

ABSTAINED: None.

b. Discussion and Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024/25-2028/29 Five-Year Strategic Plan.

Mr. Thompson presented the Strategic Plan. He stated that it was similar to the previous plan and included those items that were not yet completed. He spoke about looking further into the reliability of water and housing issues during the MSR process, working with the cities regarding DUC's and islands related to annexations, and reviewing the Unfunded Pension Liability Reserve Policy.

Moved (Corona) seconded (Tomanelli) to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024/25-2028/29 Five-Year Strategic Pla as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Corona, Molina, Jeffries, Tomanelli, Ryan, and Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Gutierrez.

ABSTAINED: None.

#### 7. INFORMATION ITEMS: No action to be taken by the Commission.

- a. Proposals Received and/or LAFCO Initiated (Government Code Sections 56751 and 56857):
  - i. LAFCO 2024-07-5-Sphere of Influence Amendments to the City of Calimesa (removal) and the City of Beaumont (addition) (Champions Dr. Realignment); and
  - ii. LAFCO 2024-08-5-Reorganization to Include Detachment from the City of Calimesa and Annexation to the City of Beaumont (Champions Dr. Realignment)
  - Ms. Craig gave an overview of the new proposals received.
- b. Report on Conducting Authority Proceedings.

Thompson gave an update on the conducting authority Mr. proceedings.

#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND POTENTIAL POSITIONS. 8.

Mr. Thompson gave an update on pending legislation. He stated that the Omnibus bill, AB 3277, is waiting to be signed by the Governor. He stated that SB 1209 regarding indemnification is in the Third Reading on the Assembly Floor. He stated that AB 3198 related to the IID and the Coachella Valley and AB 2172 allowing for an audit of the current IID electrical infrastructure within the Coachella Valley and Imperial County service areas were both moving forward.

This was a receive and file item, no action was taken by the Commission.

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS. 9.

Mr. Thompson stated that both he and Ms. Craig attended the CSDA General Managers Leadership Summit. He gave an overview of some of the sessions and stated that they were the only LAFCO represented at conference.

Mr. Thompson stated that Ms. Craig was receiving an award for Outstanding Rising Administrator from the Inland Empire American Society for Public Administration. He stated that Commissioner Perez receiving an award for Outstanding Elected Official. The Commission congratulated Ms. Craig on her achievement.

#### 10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/FUTURE ITEMS.

Commissioner Ryan stated that there is always the need to be educated on water related issues. He stated that there are conflicting stories about how much water we do or don't have. He agreed that looking

closer into the water issues during the MSR and annexation process is important.

The Commission adjourned to Closed Session at 9:28 a.m.

## 11. CLOSED SESSION:

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54954.5:

a. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: LAFCO Executive Officer

Brad Anderson submitted a written comment on this item stating areas he felt Mr. Thompson excelled in his duties.

The Commission reconvened at 9:51.

Counsel Cushman stated there was no reportable action out of closed session.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Commission Clerk