

2. 6/24/2021

MINUTES May 27, 2021

Present Commissioners

Via Teleconference:

Michael Vargas, Chair

Stephen Tomanelli, Vice Chair

Nancy Wright Steve Sanchez Phil Williams

In person:

Jeff Hewitt

Absent:

Kevin Jeffries

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 9:32 a.m.

1.2. ROLL CALL.

1.3. 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 OF THE APRIL 22, 2021 MEETING.

Moved (Hewitt) seconded (Wright) to approve the Minutes of the April 22, 2021 meeting.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and Williams.

NOES: None.
ABSENT: Jeffries.
ABSTAINED: None.

3. 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.

Moved (Williams) seconded (Tomanelli) to approve the consent calendar as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and Williams.

NOES: None.
ABSENT: Jeffries.
ABSTAINED: None.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Continued:

There were no continued public hearing items.

New:

- a. LAFCO 2021-02-3-Sphere of Influence Amendment (addition) to Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (TTM 38069); and
- b. LAFCO 2021-03-3-Annexation to Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (TTM 38069) and a finding of exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act and adoption of resolutions making determinations on each proposal.

Ms. Craig presented these proposals. She stated they were proposed to add four acres to the sphere of influence (SOI) and annex the same area to the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District for water and wastewater services. She stated that the area was previously annexed to the Eastern Municipal Water District and the Metropolitan Water District, and the developer chose not to annex the parcel at that time.

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

Moved (Wright) seconded (Williams) to approve LAFCO 2021-02-3-Sphere of Influence Amendment (addition) to Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (TTM 38069) and LAFCO 2021-03-3-Annexation to Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (TTM 38069) as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and Williams.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Jeffries.

ABSTAINED: None.

c. LAFCO Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22 and adoption of Resolution 05-21 approving the exemption from Government Code Section 56381(a).

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Mr. Thompson presented the Final Budget. He stated that there were no changes from the Proposed Budget that the Commission approved last month. He stated that the Budget is also reduced from last year and the Commission would need to adopt the resolution approving the exemption to Government Code Section 56381(a).

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

Moved (Hewitt) seconded (Wright) to approve the LAFCO Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22 and adopt Resolution 05-21 approving the exemption from Government Code Section 56381(a) as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and Williams.

NOES: None.
ABSENT: Jeffries.
ABSTAINED: None.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. First Amendment to the Professional Service Agreement with RSG, Inc. for Mapping of 2020 Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUC) Pilot Program.

Ms. Craig presented this item. She stated that the Census information has been released and the update to the DUCs should be done during the preparation, by RSG, Inc., of the Countywide City MSR. She stated that staff and RSG, Inc. have been meeting to come up with the best way to accomplish the update. She stated that if this Pilot Program, which will be the mapping of all the DUCs in the City of Hemet, works out will determine how they will move forward. She stated that a second amendment will be brought back to the Commission for the remainder of the DUCs within the County.

Moved (Williams) seconded (Hewitt) to approve the First Amendment to the Professional Service Agreement with RSG, Inc. for Mapping of 2020 Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUC) Pilot Program as recommended by staff.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and

Williams.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Jeffries.

ABSTAINED: None.

b. Commission Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2021/22.

Mr. Thompson presented the meeting schedule. He stated that there were 10 scheduled meetings for the fiscal year and that there would be no RIVERSIDE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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meeting in August. He stated that the Murrieta FMSR public meeting may be held in August. He also stated that in June, the State is supposed to lift Covid-19 restrictions and that the Commission can decide to start meeting in-person in the boardroom.

The Commission discussed the meeting schedule and decided to move the December meeting from the 2^{nd} to the 9^{th} . They also decided to start meeting in-person.

Moved (Hewitt) seconded (Wright) to approve the Commission Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2021/22 as recommended by staff and to change the date for the December meeting to December 9th.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and

Williams.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Jeffries.

ABSTAINED: None.

c. CALPERS Pension Review Update

Mr. Thompson asked the Commission if they would like to continue this item to next month as Commissioner Jeffries is not in attendance and he had originally asked for this review.

Moved (Williams) seconded (Tomanelli) to continue the CALPERS Pension Review Update to June 24, 2021.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

AYES: Vargas, Tomanelli, Wright, Sanchez, Hewitt, and

Williams.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Jeffries.

ABSTAINED: None.

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

a. Proposals Received and/or LAFCO Initiated (Government Code Sections 56751 and 56857):

There were no new proposals.

b. Report on Conducting Authority Proceedings.

Mr. Thompson reviewed the Conducting Authority Proceedings report.

8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND POTENTIAL POSITIONS.

Mr. Thompson gave an update on pending legislation. He stated that AB 1581 is before the Senate with an amendment to the protest provisions. He stated that AB 1021 (Mayes), Imperial Irrigation District, will pass RIVERSIDE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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out of the Assembly. He stated that Imperial LAFCO was taking an oppose position and that CALAFCO would too unless it was amended. He stated that funding had been striped and that both Riverside and Imperial LAFCOs would have to pay for the study instead of the State. Mr. Thompson stated that the Commission may want to take a support position and agree to pay for a portion of the study as residents do not have representation on a district that is providing services to them.

9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS.

Mr. Thompson gave an update on the Murrieta Focused MSR.

10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/FUTURE ITEMS.

There were no commissioner comments.

11. ADJOURNMENT.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth R. Valdez Commission Clerk