

2.a. 10/27/2022

MINUTES September 22, 2022

Present

Michael Vargas, Chair

Commissioners:

Nancy Wright Jeff Hewitt Steve Sanchez

Via Teleconference:

Stephen Tomanelli, Vice-Chair

Nancy Wright Phil Williams

V. Manuel Perez, Alternate

Absent

Commissioners:

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 8:30 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.

Commissioner Hewitt joined the meeting at 8:32 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

a. July 28, 2022

b. August 25, 2022 (Special Meeting)

Moved (Wright) seconded (Williams) to approve the Minutes of the July 28, 2022 and August 25, 2022 meetings.

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

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

NOES: None.
ABSENT: Perez.
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.
- b. AB 361 Renewing the Emergency Declaration pursuant to Resolution No. 01-22 Authorizing Virtual Commission Meetings for Thirty Days Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act and establishing findings that state officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, justifying the ongoing need for virtual meetings. (No written report) (Link to Resolution 01-22).
- c. LAFCO 2022-07-3-Annexation to Valley-Wide Recreation and Park District (BRPLD, LLC) (TR 37439 Canterwood) and pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act the Commission, as responsible agency, will review and consider the Environmental Impact Report prepared by the County of Riverside, as lead agency, and adoption of a resolution making determinations on the proposal.
- d. LAFCO 2022-10-3-Reorganization to Include Detachment from County Service Area 146 and Concurrent Annexation 102 to County Service Area 84 (TR 36417 KB Homes) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act the Commission, as responsible agency, will review and consider the Environmental Impact Report prepared by the County of Riverside, as lead agency, and adoption of a resolution making determinations on the proposal.

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

Chair Vargas called for the vote.

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

Williams.

NOES: None.
ABSENT: Perez.
ABSTAINED: None.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Continued: There were no continued public hearing items.

New: There were no new public hearing items.

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6. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Fiscal Year 2021-22 End of Year Budget Review (Unaudited).

Mr. Thompsons presented a PowerPoint presentation for this item. He stated that the end of year carryover exceeded the budgeted amount due to revenues and expenditures being below budget. He stated all reserves were funded per LAFCO Policy.

No action taken, this was a receive and file item.

Commissioner Perez joined the meeting at approximately 8:37 a.m.

b. Discussion Regarding Meeting Schedule and Potential Revisions.

Mr. Thompson stated that each month a Special Meeting is required to continue to renew Resolution No. 01-22 renewing the emergency declaration. He stated these meetings were not budgeted for. Mr. Thompson spoke about new legislation, AB 2449, that was signed by the Governor to allow for special circumstances to attend meetings virtually twice a year. He also asked for direction to change the April 2023 meeting due to a conflict with the CALAFCO Staff Workshop.

The Commission discussed the options presented. They directed staff to move the April meeting to a date to be determined by staff.

The Commission requested that staff bring back to the next meeting more information on AB 2449 before deciding to change the format of meetings.

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 2022-13-2-Annexation to Jurupa Community Services District (TR 38276 Paradise Knolls).
 - ii. LAFCO 2022-14-1-Annexation 24 to County Service Area 134 (TR 37155 Jen So Cal 2, LLC).
 - iii. LAFCO 2022-15-4-Request for Reconsideration of Resolution No. 17-22 Reviewing and Amending the Sphere of Influence for the City of Coachella for LAFCO 2021-06-1,2,3,4&5-Countywide City Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Review and Potential Amendments. (City of Coachella)
 - iv. LAFCO 2022-16-4-Request for Extra-Territorial Service Provision City of Blythe (Mayflower Park Sewer).
- Ms. Craig gave a brief overview of each of the new and/or LAFCO RIVERSIDE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION 6216 BROCKTON AVENUE, SUITE 111-B, RIVERSIDE, CA 92506 PHONE (951) 369-0631 www.lafco.org

initiated proposals.

b. Report on Conducting Authority Proceedings.

There was no Conducting Authority Proceedings Report.

8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND POTENTIAL POSITIONS.

Mr. Thompson gave an update on pending legislation. He stated that the CALAFCO Legislative Committee will resume in November for new legislation for next year.

9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS.

Mr. Thompson stated that the December 1st meeting will be at Indian Wells City Hall. He also gave an update on the IID Special Study.

10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/FUTURE ITEMS.

Commissioner Perez thanked the Commission for taking on the IID Special Study and looks forward to the final recommendations made by the Consultant. He stated this report was very critical to the future of the Coachella Valley.

11. ADJOURNMENT.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth R. Valdez
Commission Clerk