

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION MINUTES

CITY MEMBERS

Lois Wynne – Vice Chair
Harlin Casida
Sid Palmerin - Alternate

COUNTY MEMBERS

Joe Neves – Chair
Doug Verboon
Richard Valle - Alternate

PUBLIC MEMBERS

Paul Thompson
Vacant - Alternate

CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission of Kings County was called to order by the Chairman, Joe Neves, at 3:00 p.m., on November 30, 2016 in the Board of Supervisors Chambers of the Kings County Government Center, located at 1400 W. Lacey Blvd., in Hanford, California.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Joe Neves, Doug Verboon, Paul Thompson, Harlin Casida, Lois Wynne

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Greg Gatzka – Executive Officer, Chuck Kinney – Assistant Executive Officer, Erik Kaeding – County Counsel, Terri Yarbrough – Clerk

VISITORS PRESENT:

Darlene Mata, Julie Semas, Paul Van Loon, John Zumwalt, John Doyle, Lou Camara

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Wynne) to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

LAFCO Case No. 16-01, Hanford Reorganization No. 151

Mr. Kinney provided a brief overview of the project. Mr. Kaeding reported that it was his understanding the two parties had come to a tentative agreement.

Mr. Paul VanLoon, superintendent of Pioneer Elementary School District, stated that the School District and the City had met and worked on an agreement. He stated the only issue was the ending date and that an agreement had not been reached and asked that it be approved with conditions. Mr. Kaeding asked if the school district was in agreement with the letter drafted on November 30, 2016 by the City of Hanford to the Pioneer Union Elementary School District and said that a condition could be placed on the approval of the annexation requiring an agreement similar to this letter. He also clarified that the Pioneer Union Elementary School District agreed that if the water and sewer improvements were not oversized there would be a deadline for reimbursement and the storm drain improvements would not be subject to a time limit due to the oversizing. Mr. Van Loon stated that the terms in the letter are agreeable. Mr. Ty Mizote, Assistant Attorney for the City of Hanford, requested the Commission move forward with the approval. Mr. Doug Verboon stated the date is too soon and that it should go 10 years from now. There were discussions on how the reimbursement would take place. Ms. Darlene Mata, Community Development Director for the City of Hanford, explained how the reimbursement from the city would take place. John Doyle, representing the City of Hanford, explained that the school district built away from the existing

infrastructure and the water and sewer lines were not oversized, but the storm drain was oversized. The dollar amounts were calculated at approximately \$207,000 for the storm drainage and \$65,000 for the water and sewer. Mr. Erik Kaeding stated the Commission had four options available to them, deny the annexation, approve the annexation, require a condition, or continue the discussion. There was discussion regarding time frames and the dollar value of the reimbursement.

A motion was made and seconded (Thompson/Casida) to approve LAFCO Case No. 16-01 with the condition that a reimbursement agreement shall be entered into between the City of Hanford and the Pioneer Union Elementary School District which is substantially consistent with the terms outlined in a letter dated November 30, 2016 from City Manager Darrel Pyle to District Superintendent Paul Van Loon, except that reimbursement for water and sanitary sewer shall be made within ten years of the date of the agreement if the parties agree, based upon the documented opinions of engineers, that no supplemental capacity for water and/or sanitary sewer currently exists. Otherwise no ten year limit shall apply.

Motion carried with Thompson, Cassida and Wynne in favor and Verboon and Neves opposing.

NEW BUSINESS

None

LEGISLATION

None

MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Correspondence** – None
- B. Items from the Commission** – Chairman Neves reported that Harlin Casida and Lois Wynne would be retiring and thanked them for their service.
- C. Staff Comments** – None

ADJOURNMENT – With no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

- A. A meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
OF KINGS COUNTY**


Gregory R. Gatzka, Executive Officer