

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 July 27, 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

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Harlin Casida, Lois Wynne

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

VISITORS PRESENT: Darlene Mata, Julie Semas

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES: No one spoke during this portion of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Thompson) to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously with Casida and Wynne absent.

OLD BUSINESS:

Inter-Agency Coordination Agreements

Erik Kaeding presented a draft Inter-agency Coordination agreement, as requested by the Commission, and provided an overview of the contents of the document. He stated that a revision had been made to the document and which was included in the revised agenda packet. Chairman Neves stated his concern was that no white areas (territories not covered by a district or city) would be lost between counties. Mr. Kaeding explained that LAFCO only has a role if a water agency wants to annex those white areas.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Thompson) to direct staff to work with other LAFCO's in order to enter into an Inter-agency Coordination agreement. Motion carried with Casida and Wynne absent.

NEW BUSINESS

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

Mr. Kinney provided an overview of a proposal by the city of Hanford to annex two parcels totaling 51.58 acres of County unincorporated area into the City limits. The proposal also includes detachment of the same territory from the Kings River Conservation District and Excelsior-Kings River Resource Conservation District. The annexation is considered uninhabited since there are less than 12 registered voters. The area is not subject to a Williamson Act Contract and the city of Hanford has prepared a plan for services showing that adequate service will be provided to the area.

a correction on page 1 of the addendum. He stated that Hanford Elementary should read Pioneer Elementary. No written comments were received. Commissioner Verboon stated the Pioneer School District had paid to put in a sewer line and stated he would like to see the school district receive reimbursement as others connect and benefit from the line that was installed by the school district. Mr. Kaeding stated he was not aware of any procedure to reimburse or that there was a reimbursement agreement at the time. Ms. Julie Semas with Pioneer School District explained that the school had upgraded the line in order to handle a subdivision and is looking to be reimbursed for the difference. She stated she was not aware of a formal agreement but there are construction notes. Mr. Kaeding stated that if this was a concern of the Commission they could wait until next month to make a decision and he could research this issue. Chairman Neves opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to give any testimony. Ms. Darlene Mata, representing the City of Hanford, stated they would normally enter into an agreement for reimbursement prior to construction if there was an oversizing required. It was her understanding that there were communications between the school district and the city of Hanford. An agreement would normally take place before construction regarding payment of impact fees or the refund of impact fees. She stated the Public Works Department did not have any record of an agreement. She would have to do further research in order to determine if any impact fees were paid or not. She also stated that the City of Hanford was in support of the annexation and that it was consistent with their General Plan. Commissioner Thompson asked if there was something designated for high density. Ms. Mata addressed the question. Seeing no one else wishing to testify, Chairman Neves closed the public hearing.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Thompson) to reopen the public hearing and continue the public hearing to August 24, 2016 in order to determine whether the school district paid impact fees or can be reimbursed for the larger sewer line that was installed.

2016 CALAFCO Conference

Mr. Gatzka asked for authorization to send one staff member to the CALAFCO Conference and asked for a delegation of voting authority.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Thompson) to authorize staff to attend the conference. Motion carried unanimously with Casida and Wynne absent.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Thompson) to delegate voting authority to staff. Motion carried unanimously with Casida and Wynne Absent.

LEGISLATION

None

MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Correspondence** – None
- B. Items from the Commission** – None
- C. Staff Comments** – None

ADJOURNMENT – With no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

- A. A meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
OF KINGS COUNTY**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory R. Gatzka", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gregory R. Gatzka, Executive Officer

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