

Local Agency Formation Commission OF KINGS COUNTY

CITY MEMBERS

Patricia Matthews

Alvaro Preciado

Kimber Regan, Alternate**COUNTY MEMBERS**

Joe Neves

Doug Verboon

Richard Valle, Alternate**PUBLIC MEMBERS**

Vacant

Cheyne Strawn, Alternate

Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer, (559) 852-2674

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING:

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.

The Local Agency Formation Commission of Kings County Special Meeting will be held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers in the Administration Building (Bldg. No. 1) of the Kings County Government Center located at 1400 West Lacey Blvd., Hanford, CA.

Members of the public who wish to comment may submit written comments on any matter within LAFCO's subject matter jurisdiction, regardless of whether it is on the agenda for Commission consideration or action, and those comments will be entered into the administrative record of the meeting. To submit written comments by U.S. Mail or email for inclusion in the meeting record, they must be received by the Secretary of LAFCO no later than 8:00 a.m. on the morning of the noticed meeting. To submit written comments by email, please forward them to Chanda.Jackson@co.kings.ca.us. To submit such comments by U.S. Mail, please forward them to: Kings LAFCO, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd. Building #6, Hanford, CA 93230.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Chairman

A. **Unscheduled Appearances:**

Any person may address the Commission on any subject matter within the jurisdiction or responsibility of the Commission at the beginning of the meeting; or may elect to address the Commission on any agenda item at the time the item is called by the Chair, but before the matter is acted upon by the Commission. Unscheduled comments will be limited to five minutes.

B. **Election of Officers – Chairman and Vice Chair for Calendar Year 2025**

C. **Approval of July 24, 2024 Minutes**

II. OLD BUSINESS

None

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. LAFCO Commission Public Member

- 1) Executive Officer's Report
- 2) Consider Public Member Appointment

B. Extension of Service

- 1) Executive Officer's Report
- 2) Consideration of LAFCO Resolution No. 25-01

C. LAFCO Preliminary Budget FY 2025-2026

- 1) Executive Officer's Report
- 2) Set the first Public Hearing for April 16, 2025

D. 2025 CALAFCO Staff Workshop

- 1) Executive Officer's Report
- 2) Authorization to attend the CALAFCO Staff Workshop on April 30th through May 2nd.

E. Update on CALAFCO activities

- 1) Executive Officer's Report

IV. LEGISLATION

None

V. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Correspondence –
- B. Items from the Commission -
- C. Staff Comments –

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Next Scheduled Meeting – March 26, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION MINUTES

CITY MEMBERS

Sid Palmerin
Alvaro Preciado
Patricia Matthews - Alternate

COUNTY MEMBERS

Joe Neves – Chair
Doug Verboon – Vice Chair
Richard Valle - Alternate

PUBLIC MEMBERS

Cheyne Strawn - Alternate

CALL TO ORDER: A special meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission of Kings County was called to order by Chairman Joe Neves, at 1:00 p.m., on July 24, 2024, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers in the Administration Building (Bldg. No. 1) of the Kings County Government Center located at 1400 West Lacey Blvd., Hanford, CA.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Joe Neves, Doug Verboon, Sid Palmerin,
Alvaro Preciado, Cheyne Strawn

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Chuck Kinney – Executive Officer
Alex Hernandez – Assistant Executive Officer
Chanda Jackson – Clerk
Zachary Adams – Legal Counsel

VISITORS PRESENT:

James “Jim” Dutra, Teresa Dutra, John Zumwalt,
Rose DeRuiter, Michael Miya, Todd Neves, Terri
Durham, John Olivera, Cindy Tew

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded (Palmerin/Strawn) to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2024 meeting. Motion carried with four in favor, one abstention (Verboon).

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Sphere of Influence No. 23-02 (City of Hanford) – Mr. Kinney provided a brief overview of the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendment 23-02 which was submitted by the City of Hanford and originally brought before the Commission at the April 17, 2024 LAFCO meeting. He provided additional information regarding the land uses and government code pertaining to the sphere of influence. Mr. Kinney stated a petition of protest was submitted July 22, 2024, and further explained protest provisions as outlined in California government code. He recommended the Commission adopt Resolution No. 24-01 approving Sphere of Influence No. 23-02.

Chairman Neves asked for comment from the Commission. Seeing none, he moved to the public hearing. Chairman Neves opened the public hearing. Todd Neves spoke in favor of the item and recommended the Commission approve sphere of influence.

Terri Durham, 12383 Flint Avenue, spoke in opposition of the item. She stated she attended the April meeting and collected signatures for the petition. She expressed concern of development in the area and wanted to employ her right to farm.

Michael Miya, 6293 N 11th Avenue, spoke in favor of the item. He shared his family history in the area and previous discussions regarding the sphere of influence. Mr. Miya also discussed the process of development in the area and its relation to the General Plan.

John Zumwalt spoke in favor of the sphere of influence. He provided background information on the General Plan and how the sphere of influence applies to the General Plan.

John Olivera, 12446 Fargo Avenue, spoke in favor of the item.

Cindy Tew, 7320 12th Avenue, spoke in opposition of the item.

James “Jim” Dutra, inquired about terminology regarding a “300-foot buffer”. Mr. Kinney explained that buffer was speaking of the noticing radius and not changing property margins.

Commissioner Strawn questioned the City of Hanford’s ability to provide adequate services if the sphere of influence is approved. Gabrielle Myers referred to the Municipal Service Review (MSR) conducted during the application process for the sphere of influence. She stated that based on the MSR, the City of Hanford would be able to adequately provide services to the area.

Commissioner Verboon spoke on the effects of the sphere of influence on farming in the specified area. He expressed consideration for the residents in the area while providing more clarity on the positive aspects the sphere of influence will have on the community.

Commissioner Palmerin read comments from petition. He expressed concerns for agriculture and farming in the specified area due to development if the sphere of influence is approved.

Commissioner Preciado discussed community members having a better understanding of the role of LAFCO. He requested Mr. Kinney to explain the role of LAFCO as it applies to the sphere of influence. Mr. Kinney provided a description and further explanation of LAFCO’s role as it pertains to the sphere of influence.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Strawn) to approve Sphere of Influence No. 23-02 and to adopt Resolution No. 24-01. Motion carried with four in favor and one opposed (Palmerin).

B. LAFCO Case No. 24-01 (City of Hanford Annexation No. 157) – Mr. Kinney provided a brief overview of the proposed annexation which was submitted by the City of Hanford. He provided additional information regarding the area which totals approximately 153.61 acres being annexed to the City of Hanford, and detachment of the same from the Kings River Conservation District and Excelsior-Kings River Resource Conservation District. The area includes ten parcels located approximately at the southwest and northwest corners of 12th Ave and Fargo Avenue. This territory is adjacent to the City of Hanford and is within the City’s Primary Sphere of Influence as adopted by LAFCo and effective July 24, 2024. Mr. Kinney also provided protest proceeding guidelines. He recommended the Commission adopt Resolution No. 24-02 approving LAFCO Case No. 24-01, City of Hanford Annexation No. 157.

Todd Neves, 13584 Francisco Drive, spoke in favor of the item. He mentioned of the 153 acres included in the proposed annexation, his family owns approximately 128 acres.

John Zumwalt, Zumwalt Hansen & Associates, provided relational information for the annexation and the previous sphere of influence.

John Olivera, 12446 Fargo Avenue, spoke in favor of the item.

Terri Durham, 12383 Flint Avenue, spoke in opposition of the item. She expressed concern for development potentially being constructed along her property line. Commissioner Palmerin queried if the petition submitted was for both the previous sphere of influence and the annexation. Terri Durham explained the petition is for both items.

Family representative of Rose DeRuijter, 7685 13th Avenue, asked if there was available access to information pertaining to future development plans for City of Hanford as mentioned during the meeting. Chairman Neves stated the general plan is available online and directed them to Gabrielle Myers for further information.

Commissioner Verboon reiterated comments regarding the timeframe for development.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Strawn) to approve Hanford Annexation No. 157 and adopt LAFCO Resolution No. 24-02. Motion carried with four in favor and one opposed (Palmerin).

NEW BUSINESS

A. LAFCO Bylaw Amendment – Mr. Kinney described the tasks previously faced by the Commission to find location and feasible time to conduct LAFCO meetings due to construction. He stated during that time, special meetings were held at a different time than the regular scheduled meetings and the special meeting times worked well for Commissioners as well as coordinated with other meetings. Mr. Kinney presented an amendment to the LAFCO bylaws to change the meeting time of the LAFCO meetings to 1:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Chambers.

Chairman Neves asked for comment from the Commission. Seeing none, he moved forward to request a motion.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Preciado) to approve the LAFCO Bylaw Amendment and adopt LAFCO Resolution No. 24-04. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Grand Jury Report Findings – Mr. Kinney provided a summary of the Grand Jury Report received by the Executive Officer from the Kings County Grand Jury. He briefed the Commission on the recommendations of the Grand Jury and the draft response letter to be forwarded to the Grand Jury.

Chairman Neves queried Commissioners for comments or modification suggestions to the draft letter. None were provided.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Strawn) to approve the letter to be submitted to the Grand Jury in response to the Grand Jury Report. Motion carried unanimously.

C. 2024 CALAFCO Conference – Mr. Kinney provided an overview of the 2024 CALAFCO Conference including registration information and location.

Chairman Neves inquired of any questions by Commissioners or if any Commissioner were interested in attending. Commissioner Preciado expressed interest in attending and would verify availability with the Executive Officer. Mr. Kinney stated the Commission could approve Commissioner Preciado's attendance and assignment as voting delegate and appoint the Executive Officer as the standby voting delegate if Commissioner Preciado is unable to attend.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Strawn) to approve Commissioner Preciado's attendance and assignment as voting delegate at the 2024 CALAFCO Conference and approve the Executive Officer's attendance and appoint him as standby voting delegate in Commissioner Preciado's absence. Motion carried unanimously.

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 1:59 p.m.

- A. The next meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
OF KINGS COUNTY**


Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer

Local Agency Formation Commission OF KINGS COUNTY

CHUCK KINNEY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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TO: LAFCO of Kings County Commissioners
FROM: Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer
DATE: February 26, 2025

SUBJECT: LAFCO Public Member Vacancy

BACKGROUND

The LAFCO Commission for Kings County is made up of five Commissioners representing three categories (County, Cities, and Public) of appointment, with an additional Alternate Member for each category. Commissioners serve four-year terms. LAFCO Commissioners' terms expire on the first Monday in May of the fourth year of their respective term (Government Code Section 56334). An updated list of current Commission Member terms is attached as Exhibit A.

On June 5, 2024, LAFCO staff was made aware of the resignation of Martin Devine (Public Member) whose term was set to expire in May of 2028. This left a current vacancy in the Public Member, which can be considered for appointment by the County and City members on the LAFCO Commission (Government Code Section 56325 (d)). The Public Member term would serve until May 1, 2029. Certain restrictions apply for candidate eligibility for the Public Member and Alternate Commissioner seats (Government Code Section 56331).

In order to be eligible to serve as either a Public Member or Public Member Alternate, a candidate shall be a resident of Kings County, and not be an officer or employee of the County, City or District.

LAFCO staff has received three applications for the Public Member which are attached as Exhibit B.

- 1) Mr. Cheyne Strawn currently serves as the Public Member Alternate and meets all of the eligibility requirements to serve as the Public Member.
- 2) Mr. Martin Devine has previously served on this LAFCO Commission as a City Member representing the City of Hanford and as a Public Member. Mr. Devine no longer serves on the City Council and meets all of the eligibility requirements to serve as the Public Member.
- 3) Mr. Robert Ramos meets all of the eligibility requirements to serve as the Public Member.

RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends that the LAFCO Commission consider appointing one of the three candidates to the Public Member position.

EXHIBIT A

SECTION II: KINGS COUNTY LAFCO

1. LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF KINGS COUNTY (LAFCO)

MEMBERS

EXPIRATION OF TERM - FIRST MONDAY IN

MAY

CITY MEMBERS ¹:

Alvaro Preciado (Avenal)**	2028
Patricia Matthews (Lemoore)	2029
Kimber Regan (Hanford) Alternate City Member	2027

COUNTY MEMBERS ²:

Joe Neves (Lemoore-Stratford area) *	2029
Doug Verboon (North Lemoore – North Hanford area)	2029
Richard Valle (Avenal, Corcoran, and Kettleman City) Alternate County Member	2029

PUBLIC MEMBER ³:

Vacant	2029
Cheyne Strawn Alternate Public Member	2028

* Chair

** Vice-Chair

Terms of Commissioner: Four Years (G.C. Section 56334)

Staff:

Chuck Kinney	Executive Officer
Alex Hernandez	Assistant Executive Officer
	Legal Counsel
Chanda Jackson	LAFCO Clerk

Appointing Authority:

¹ City Members:	Appointed by: City (Mayors) Selection Committee
² County Members:	Appointed by Board of Supervisors
³ Public Member:	Appointed by LAFCO City & County Members

Meeting Dates and Location: Fourth Wednesday of each month at 1:00 P.M., held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Administration Building, (Bldg. #1) Kings County Government Center, Hanford CA.

Revised: 2/21/2025

EXHIBIT B

**KINGS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT**

Filed with the Kings County
Clerk of the Board

DEC 11 2024

I hereby express an interest in being nominated for membership on the following
Board: LAFCO PUBLIC MEMBER

Received by: *[Signature]*

Name: Cheyne Strawn

Address: 1175 Parkside Dr. Telephone: 559-936-9943

City/St/Zip: Hanford, CA 93230 Date of Birth: 03/15/85

Email: Cheynestrawn@gmail.com

Length of Residency in Kings County: 8 Years

Supervisorial District: District 4(Robinson)

Occupation: Project Manager

Education: Tulare Union High School

College of the Sequoias

Membership on other Boards/Commissions: San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee (Vice Chair),

LAFCO(Alternate Public Member), Former Hanford Revenue Measure Committee (Vice Chair), Former Hanford Parks Commission (Vice Chair).

Affiliations: Member of the Tulare/Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Former Area Governor and President of Toastmasters.

Reason(s) for seeking appointment: Looking to fill the role of public member on LAFCO.

Currently the Alternate Public Member.

[Signature]
Signature of applicant

Return completed form to: Kings County Board of Supervisors
Attn: Clerk of the Board
1400 W. Lacey Blvd.
Hanford, CA 93230

For inquiries on the application process: (559) 852-2362

**KINGS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT**

I hereby express an interest in being nominated for membership on the following
Board: LAFCo

Name: Martin Devine

Address: 1950 Roland Dr. Telephone: 559-212-8709

City/St/Zip: Hanford, CA 93230 Date of Birth: 07/20/67

Email: mdevine1967@gmail.com

Length of Residency in Kings County: 35+

Supervisory District: 3

Occupation: Office Manager

Education: High School, COS

Membership on other Boards/Commissions: LAFCo Alternate Public Member, LAFCo Public Member

KCAG Commissioner City of Hanford, KCAPTA Commissioner City Of Hanford, CA Cities Policy Board Member

Affiliations: Former City of Hanford Council Member 12/16-12/20, Former City of Hanford

Appointed Council Member 06/24-12/24

Reason(s) for seeking appointment: Previously served as a City of Hanford LAFCo

Commissioner, alternate Public Member and Public Member


Signature of applicant

Return completed form to:

**Kings County Board of Supervisors
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**KINGS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT**

Filed with the Kings County
Clerk of the Board

FEB 6 2025

Received by

I hereby express an interest in being nominated for membership on the following

Board: LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Name: Robert RAMOS

Address: PO Box 1123 ^{2741 Pinecastle Dr.} Telephone: 559 936 4318

City/St/Zip: Hanford, CA 93230 Date of Birth: 06-15-1940

Email: somar40@sbeglobal.net

Length of Residency in Kings County: Since 1965

Supervisorial District: 5

Occupation: Retired : 34 years @ Prudential INS. CO.

Education: High School : attended C.O.S.

Membership on other Boards/Commissions: _____

King County Citizens Advisory Board on Alcohol
and other Drugs, 16 yrs.

Affiliations: was a member of recent Hanford General Tax Committee.

Was a member of city of Hanford General Plan update ²⁰¹⁴ Committee

Reason(s) for seeking appointment: As a Citizen I have attended most

City Council meetings for last 12 years and have gained interest
in zoning & annexations

Robert Ramos Feb. 6, 2025
Signature of applicant

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Local Agency Formation Commission OF KINGS COUNTY

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(559) 852-2670, FAX: (559) 584-8989

STAFF REPORT February 26, 2025

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

EXTENSION OF SERVICE No. 25-01 CITY OF HANFORD WATER SERVICE

I. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF PROPOSAL:

The Applicant, Mr. Jason Brandon, has requested Commission approval to allow the City of Hanford to extend water service outside its jurisdictional boundaries to serve two businesses located at 8972 E. Lacey Blvd. (APN: 014-241-002). This property is within the Hanford Primary Sphere of Influence and near to the city limits. See Exhibit "A" for a location map of the project site. The Hanford City Council has approved the request for the Hanford Public Works Department to provide water service contingent upon LAFCO approval.

The applicant has informed the City of Hanford and LAFCO that his existing water well which currently serves the businesses is going dry. The City of Hanford, is the closest municipal water service provider thereby making them the most logical to provide service to the development.

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 allows a City to provide extended services outside its jurisdictional boundaries only if it first requests and receives written approval from LAFCO.

II. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends that LAFCO Extension of Service No. 25-01 "Mr. Jason Brandon" be approved.

III. ANALYSIS OF PROPOSAL:

A. Discussion of Proposal

The purpose of the Commission's action is to authorize the City of Hanford to provide water service outside of the City's jurisdiction and within their sphere of influence to two businesses which are near the Hanford City boundary which is just South of the property. On January 22, 2025, the Hanford City Council approved a property owner request to extend City water service to the two existing businesses located at approximately 8972 E. Lacey Blvd. Commission approval of the City to provide water service would allow the businesses to receive reliable safe water service through the City.

B. Factors required by Government Code Section 56133:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 56133, Commission approval is required for extension of service by local agencies to territory outside of the agency's jurisdictional boundary. This section permits extension of service within its sphere of influence in anticipation of a later change of organization.

The applicant has applied to enter into an agreement with the City of Hanford to provide a water service connection to the businesses located at 8972 E. Lacey Blvd. The agreement is contingent upon LAFCO approval of an Extension of Service. The businesses are within the sphere of influence of the City of Hanford.

1. Sphere Of Influence:

This extension of service is within the Primary Sphere of Influence of the City of Hanford as adopted by the Commission July 24, 2024. The businesses that would benefit from this service are located in the unincorporated Hanford Fringe, near the existing City Limit Boundary and it is anticipated that the property will be annexed into the City of Hanford in the very near future.

2. Public Health Issue:

The existing ground water well is failing due to continuing drought conditions and lacks basic water to supply the businesses with a consistent supply of water for health and safety purposes.

3. Service Demand and Capacity:

The City of Hanford indicates that sufficient water service capacity is available and can be provided to the residence located at 8972 E. Lacey Blvd. (APN 014-241-002).

3. Any information or comments from the landowner or owners.

The property owner is requesting to receive water service from the City of Hanford.

IV. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The extension of potable water service from the City of Hanford will replace the use of an existing private water well currently used by the subject property. As private water had previously existed and also since the City of Hanford's water pipeline currently exists within the right of way adjacent to the private property which would now receive water from the City, the extension of city water service is considered an "existing facility." The extension of water service from the City of Hanford is therefore determined as Categorical Exempt under CEQA, pursuant to Section 15301 and since the extension of water service involves the installation of less than one (1) mile of pipeline for the service it is statutorily Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15282(k).

V. RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Executive Officer recommends:

1. That the Commission make the following determinations:
 - a) The extension of service is a "Categorical Exemption" under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15301 and "Statutorily Exempt" under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15282(k).
 - b) The extension of service is being taken pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization of 2000.
 - c) All of the factors required by Government Code Section 56133 have been considered by the Commission before rendering a decision.
2. That the Commission approve LAFCO Extension of Service No. 25-01, Jason Brandon by adopting Resolution No. 25-01 subject to the following condition:
 - a) The extension of service is restricted to the two businesses located at 8972 E. Lacey Blvd., on APN 014-241-002.

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BEFORE THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
COUNTY OF KINGS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)	Resolution No. 25-01
CITY OF HANFORD)	
WATER SERVICE EXTENSION)	Re: Extension of Service
)	No. 25-01

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2025, Mr. Jason Brandon requested Commission approval for an extension of City water service to one parcel located outside the jurisdictional boundaries of the City; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jason Brandon has stated that 8972 E. Lacey Blvd. is currently without an adequate supply of potable water which is considered to be a public health and safety issue.

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2025, this Commission at a regular meeting considered the proposed extension of water service; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer's report, with recommendations, was forwarded to officers, persons, and public agencies as prescribed by law and was reviewed at said public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered the Executive Officer's Report, testimony, and the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the extension of water service is considered a replacement of an “existing facility”, and is therefore determined to be categorically exempt under CEQA, pursuant to Government Code Section 15301 and since the extension of water service involves the installation of less than one (1) mile of pipeline for the service it is statutorily Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15282(k).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF KINGS COUNTY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Commission finds that:
 - a) The extension of service is a “Categorical Exemption” under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15301 and “Statutorily Exempt” under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15282(k).
 - b) The extension of service is being taken pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization of 2000.
 - c) All of the factors required by Government Code Section 56133 have been considered by the Commission before rendering a decision.

2. The Commission approves LAFCO Extension of Service No. 25-01, Mr. Jason Brandon by adopting Resolution No. 25-01 subject to the following condition:
 - a) The extension of service is restricted to the businesses located at 8972 E. Lacey Blvd. on APN 014-241-002.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon a motion by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, at a regular meeting held February 26, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION OF KINGS COUNTY

Joe Neves, Chairman

WITNESS, my hand this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer

cc: City of Hanford
Jason Brandon, kingssaddlery79@gmail.com

Local Agency Formation Commission OF KINGS COUNTY

Date: February 26, 2025

To: LAFCO Commissioners

From: Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer

Subject: Preliminary LAFCO FY 2025/2026 Budget

Background

LAFCO is required to hold two public hearings prior to adoption of the LAFCO Budget. Historically, the LAFCO Executive Officer has provided a Preliminary LAFCO budget to the Commission in March and requests that the LAFCO Commission set budget hearings for meetings in April and May. State law requires that the LAFCO Budget be adopted by the end of May each year.

The Preliminary LAFCO FY Budget for 2025/2026 Budget is provided, but may have a few minor modifications as some Kings County associated costs are still being factored in. The overall budget, however, will be very close to this preliminary estimate. This budget will be approximately the same as last year.

Recommend

The Executive Officer recommends that the LAFCO Commission set the first Public Hearing for the LAFCO FY 2025/2026 Budget on April 16, 2025 and direct staff to send notice to the county and each city.

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF KINGS CO.	280000
	LAFCO
	Pub. Safety
	Other Protect.

Fiscal 2025/2026

Department:	Run date:
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	% Change
Budget 2024-2025	25-26
DEPT. REQ'T 25-26	25-26
Change 25-26	25-26

SERVICES & SUPPLIES:					
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION		Budget 2024-2025	DEPT. REQ'T 25-26	Change 25-26	% Change 25-26
Communications	92006	\$125.00	\$ 125	\$ -	0.00%
Office Expenses	92018	\$250.00	\$ 250	\$ -	0.00%
Memberships	92027	\$4,000.00	\$ 4,000	\$ -	0.00%
Record Storage Charges	92032	\$304.00	\$ 462	\$ 158	51.81%
Postage & Freight	92033	\$4,000.00	\$ 6,500	\$ 2,500	62.50%
Offset Printing/Stores	92035	\$0.00	\$ 250	\$ 250	#DIV/0!
Legal Expenses	92038	\$11,000.00	\$ 11,000	\$ -	0.00%
Consultant Expenses	92048	\$1,100.00	\$ 1,100	\$ -	0.00%
Publi. and Legal Notices	92056	\$1,050.00	\$ 1,050	\$ -	0.00%
Rents & Leases - Equipment	92057	\$1,340.00	\$ 1,340	\$ -	0.00%
Purchasing Charges	92068	\$130.00	\$ 130	\$ -	0.00%
Bd. & Comm. Mem. Expenses	92069	\$3,064.00	\$ 3,064	\$ -	0.00%
Travel & Expenses	92090	\$8,000.00	\$ 8,000	\$ -	0.00%
Motor Pool Serv.	92089	\$0.00	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
Utilities	92094	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ -	0.00%
CAP Charges	93038	\$1,611.00	\$ 1,611	\$ -	0.00%
Information Tech Services	93048	\$2,400.00	\$ 2,400	\$ -	0.00%
Administrative Allocation	93057	\$46,287.00	\$ 46,287	\$ -	0.00%
Utility Bond	98001	\$349.00	\$ 363	\$ 14	4.01%
Consultant Expense	92048			\$ -	0.00%
TOTAL SERV/SUPP:		\$ 86,010	\$ 88,932	\$ 2,922	3.40%

REVENUE:					
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION		Budget 2024-2025	DEPT. REQ'T 25-26	Change 25-26	% Change 25-26
INTERGOV'T REVENUE				0	0
Cities-LAFCO Shares	80008	\$ 41,005	\$ 42,466	\$ 1,461	3.56%
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
LAFCO Fees	87095	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -	0.00%
LAFCO MSR/SOI Fees				\$ -	0.00%
TOTAL REVENUE:		\$ 45,005	\$ 46,466	\$ 1,461	3.2%

TOTALS					
		Budget 2024-2025	DEPT. REQ'T 25-26	Change 25-26	% Change 25-26
SALARIES & BENEFITS:		\$ -	\$ 0	\$ 0	N/A
SERVICES & SUPPLIES:		\$ 86,010	\$ 88,932	\$ 2,922	3.40%
FIXED ASSETS:		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
GROSS EXPENDITURES:		\$ 86,010	\$ 88,932	\$ 2,922	3.40%
REVENUE:		\$ 45,005	\$ 46,466	\$ 1,461	3.25%
COST APPLIED:	98000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
GEN. FUND CONTRIBUTION:		\$ (41,005)	\$ (42,466)	\$ (1,461)	3.56%

Local Agency Formation Commission OF KINGS COUNTY

Date: February 26, 2025

To: LAFCO Commissioners
From: Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer

Subject: Request Authorization for staff to attend the 2025 CALAFCO Staff Workshop

Background

Historically, the Executive Officer and the one LAFCO Staff member attend each year's CALAFCO Staff Workshop to keep up to speed and informed on the latest LAFCO processing changes and best management practices. LAFCO continues to contract with the Kings County Community Development Agency (CDA) for staff to serve as LAFCO staff.

The LAFCO FY Budget for 2024/2025 planned for the attendance of LAFCO staff members to attend this year's CALAFCO Staff Workshop. This year's Staff Workshop runs from April 30 thru May 2 and will be in Temecula, CA at the Temecula Creek Inn and hosted by Riverside LAFCo. Registration is estimated to be \$540 per person for LAFCO members and an added Mobile Workshop for an additional \$85. The following expenses are estimated for this workshop for two staff members to attend:

Registration:	\$1,250 for two attendees
Hotel:	\$1,360 three nights (2 rooms at \$199 each per night plus tax)
Travel:	\$393 rental car and gas
Meals:	\$482 per diem allowance adjusted for included meals
Est. Total:	\$3,485

The LAFCO FY Budget for 2024/2025 currently has \$6,200 left remaining in the In Service and the Training and Travel related accounts. This CALAFCO Staff Workshop is the only planned training remaining in this fiscal year, so there is sufficient funding available in the current budget and there should be an end of the year balance of approximately \$2,715.

Request

The Executive Officer requests LAFCO Commission authorization for himself and one staff member to attend the 2025 CALAFCO Staff Workshop.