

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL AGENCY
FORMATION COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FEBRUARY 27, 2002

Present:

Yvonne Brathwaite-Burke

James DiGiuseppe

Carol Herrera

Cindy Miscikowski

William Wentworth

Zev Yaroslavsky

Hal Bernson, Alternate

Kenneth I. Chappell, Alternate

Richard Close, Alternate

Jerry E. Gladbach, Alternate

Donald Knabe, Alternate

Cristina Cruz-Madrid, Alternate

Larry J. Calemine, Executive Officer

John Krattli, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Larry Connelly

Henri Pellissier, Chairman

Beatrice Proo, Vice Chairman

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Wentworth

Persons who made a contribution of more than \$250 to any member of the Commission during the preceding 12 months were asked to come forward and state for the record the Commissioner to whom such contribution was made and the item of their involvement.
(None)

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On motion of Commissioner Gladbach, unanimously carried, the commission took the following action:

- A. Acting in its role as a responsible agency, with respect to the proposed detachment and under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15096, LAFCO certifies that it has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the project and the notice of exemption certified by the City of Bell Gardens, and has determined that the document adequately addresses the environmental impacts of the project. LAFCO finds that it has complied with the requirements of CEQA with respect to the process for a responsible agency, and hereby adopts by reference the Notice of Exemption previously prepared by the City of Bell Gardens in connection with the certification of that document.
- B. Adopt resolution making determinations and approving the detachment of the entire City of Bell Gardens from the Belvedere Garbage Disposal District, subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. The fee previously authorized and levied by the Belvedere Garbage Disposal District shall be levied by the City of Bell Gardens.
 - 2. No assets of the District shall transfer to the City.
 - 3. The City shall not be apportioned any liabilities of the District.
 - 4. The effective date of the detachment shall be July 1, 2002.
- C. Set March 27, 2002 for commission protest proceedings.

Representatives of the City of Bell Gardens addressed the commission regarding this issue. They indicated that they are in negotiation for the distribution of assets and liabilities. After discussion from Commissioner Miscikowski, County counsel John Krattli indicated that notwithstanding that proposed agreement, the Department of Public Works is under some time constraint and therefore requires commission action. County counsel also indicated that the action taken by the commission at this hearing does not preclude a final agreement being reached among the parties involved after the commission's action.

- a. The Executive Officer presented the special reorganization update including the monthly status report submitted by PFM.
- b. Supplemental CFA's for both the Valley and the Harbor special reorganization areas were submitted. Mr. Craig Hoshijima gave an overview of the contents of the supplemental CFA's. The purpose of the supplemental CFA for the Valley area was to analyze the effect of a lower documentary transfer tax, removal of the Cahuenga pass territory and to further evaluate the total overhead cost of the provision of services by the City of Los Angeles with these items removed. The Valley supplemental CFA further evaluated the budget submitted by the Valley applicant. The Harbor CFA presented a budget analysis of cities of a similar size and population to further determine the possible finding of fiscal viability. The effect of port revenues being included and excluded from the Harbor proposal were also discussed by Mr. Hoshijima. With respect to the supplemental CFAs the following individuals addressed the commission:

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On motion of Commissioner Gladbach, unanimously carried the minutes of February 13, 2002 were approved.

4 Mr. Andrew Mardeshich, and Dennis Dyer addressed the Commission during the public comment period.

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No new business was raised to be placed on a future agenda.

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The next meeting of the Commission was set for March 13, 2002.

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On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavksy, unanimously carried, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LARRY J. CALEMINE
Executive Officer