



Local Agency Formation Commission
for the County of Los Angeles

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MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AGENCY

FORMATION COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY

April 11, 2012

Present:

Jerry Gladbach, Chair

Donald L. Dear
Margaret Finlay
Tom LaBonge
Gloria Molina
Henri F. Pellissier
Zev Yaroslavsky

Don Knabe, Alternate
Gerard McCallum, Alternate
Judy Mitchell, Alternate

Paul A. Novak, AICP; Executive Officer
Tom Faughnan, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Richard Close
David Spence

Lori Brogin, Alternate
Lillian Kawasaki, Alternate
Paul Krekorian, Alternate

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The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m., in Room 381-B of the County Hall of Administration.

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The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Jerry Gladbach.

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The Chair announced the postponement of the closed session item until the end of the hearing.

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The Executive Officer read an announcement, asking that persons who made a contribution of more than \$250 to any member of the Commission during the preceding 12 months to come forward and state for the record the Commissioner to whom such contributions were made and the item of their involvement (None).

The Executive Officer swore in members of the audience who planned to testify.

[Commissioner Molina out at 9:15 a.m.]

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The following item was called up for consideration:

City of Santa Clarita Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update.

The Executive Officer thanked GST Consultants (Gary Thompson, Bob Aldrich and Harry Ehrlich).

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

The EO asked the member from the City of Santa Clarita to come up to speak.

Jeff Hogan, Planning Manager for the City of Santa Clarita, came up to speak in support of the MSR report and recommendation.

On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Dear, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted the MSR report for the City of Santa Clarita and the determinations contained in the report, as required by Government Code Section 56425 and 56430, and Clarification No. 1; and
- Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations approving an update to the SOI for City of Santa Clarita, Resolution No. 2012-16RMD.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2010-10 (Copperstone).

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Dear, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2012-17RMD Making Determinations Approving City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2010-10 (Cooperstone).
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, set May 14, 2012 as the date for the protest hearing, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers, located on the first floor of 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita California, 91355, and authorized the Executive Officer to conduct the protest hearing pursuant to the Commission's Policy for the Conduct of Protest Hearings and State law and to prepare a report to the Commission setting forth the value of the protests filed and not withdrawn and recommending to the Commission the adoption of a resolution in conformity with the outcome of the protest hearing and consistent with state law at its next regularly scheduled meeting on June 13, 2012.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2011-20 (Vista Canyon/Fair Oaks/Jakes Way).

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Pellissier, seconded by Commissioner Finlay, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2012-14RMD Making Determinations Approving City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2011-20 (Vista Canyon/Fair Oaks Ranch/Jakes Way).
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, set May 14, 2012 as the date for the protest hearing, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers, located on the first floor of 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita California, 91355, and authorized the Executive Officer to conduct the protest hearing pursuant to the Commission's Policy for the Conduct of Protest Hearings and State law and to prepare a report to the Commission setting forth the value of the protests filed and not withdrawn and recommending to the Commission the adoption of a resolution in conformity with the outcome of the protest hearing and consistent with state law at its next regularly scheduled meeting on June 13, 2012.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2011-03 (Elsmere Canyon).

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Dear, seconded by Commissioner Pellissier, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2012-15RMD Making Determinations Approving City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2011-03 (Elsmere Canyon).

- Pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, set May 14, 2012 as the date for the protest hearing, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers, located on the first floor of 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita California, 91355, and authorized the Executive Officer to conduct the protest hearing pursuant to the Commission's Policy for the Conduct of Protest Hearings and State law and to prepare a report to the Commission setting forth the value of the protests filed and not withdrawn and recommending to the Commission the adoption of a resolution in conformity with the outcome of the protest hearing and consistent with state law at its next regularly scheduled meeting on June 13, 2012.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Hearing on Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14 Annexation No. 322.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Pellissier, seconded by Commissioner Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2012-18RMD Making Determinations Approving Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14- Annexation No. 322.
- Set June 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. for Commission protest proceedings.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Hearing on Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14 Annexation No. 368.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, seconded by Commissioner Dear, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2012-19RMD Making Determinations Approving Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14- Annexation No. 368.
- Set June 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. for Commission protest proceedings.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Hearing on Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 Annexation No. 83.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, seconded by Commissioner LaBonge, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2012-20RMD Making Determinations Approving Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20- Annexation No. 83.
- Set June 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. for Commission protest proceedings.

[Commissioner LaBonge out at 9:46 a.m.]

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

On motion of Commissioner Pellissier, seconded by Commissioner Finlay, unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following actions:

- Approved the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.
- Directed staff to forward the proposed budget to all independent special districts, cities and county for their comment.
- Set May 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. for hearing on adoption of the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22 Annexation No. 381.

The protest hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the protest hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Dear, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Protest Resolution No. 2012-01PR Making Determinations Ordering Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22 Annexation No. 381.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22 Annexation No. 396.

The protest hearing was opened to receive testimony. There being no testimony, the protest hearing was closed.

On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Pellissier, unanimously carried (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Protest Resolution No. 2012-02PR Making Determinations Ordering Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22 Annexation No. 396.

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On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Pellissier, unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent) the Commission took the following actions under Consent Items (with the exception of City of Hawthorne Annexation No. 2010-07 which was continued to the May 9th 2012 LAFCO Meeting):

- Approved City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2010-08 (Soledad Commons), Resolution No. 2012-13RMD.
- Approved Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22 – Annexation No. 415, Resolution No. 2012-21RMD.
- Approved Minutes of March 14, 2012;
- Approved Operating Account and Check Register for the month of March 2012; and
- Received and filed update on pending applications.

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On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, seconded by Commissioner Dear unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent) the Commission made motion to reconsider City of Hawthorne Annexation No. 2010-07 to allow public comment:

Steve Liscome spoke with concerns on the annexation.

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, seconded by Commissioner Dear unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent) the Commission made motion to continue City of Hawthorne Annexation No. 2010-07 to the May 9th 2012 Meeting.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Appointment of Alternate to the Public Member

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, seconded by Commissioner Pellissier, unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent) the Commission took the following action:

- Re-appointed Gerard McCallum to the position of Alternate to the Public Member for the term which expires on May 2, 2016.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Adoption of Check- Signing Policy.

On motion of Commissioner Pellissier, seconded by Commissioner Finlay, unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent) the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted the Check-Signing Policy.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Consideration of Award of Consultant Contract for Preparation of a Municipal Service Review of Huntington Municipal Water District, Palmdale Water District and Sativa Water District.

On motion of Commissioner Pellissier, seconded by Commissioner Dear, unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina and Spence being absent) the Commission took the following action:

- Awarded Contract to Hogle-Ireland, Inc. for preparation of a municipal service review of the Huntington Municipal Water District, Palmdale Water District, and Sativa Water District.
- Authorized the Executive Officer to execute a contract with Hogle-Ireland, Inc., after approval as to form by Legal Counsel, for the preparation of a municipal service review of Huntington Municipal Water District, Palmdale Water District, and Sativa Water District at the not-to-exceed rate of \$89,998.00.

[Commissioner Yaroslavsky out at 10:00a.m.]

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Commissioner's Report

Chair Gladbach announced he was involved in a couple of conference calls for the advertisement of the new CALAFCO Executive Officer position.

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Executive Officer's Report

The EO announced a couple of commissioners were not attending the May Hearing due to the ACWA Conference and asked the commission who else knew in advance they would not be able to attend that hearing. Commissioner Knabe stated he will be out of town.

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Public Comment

None

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Future Meetings:

May 9, 2012
June 13, 2012
July 11, 2012
August 8, 2012

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Future Agenda Items:

None

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Pursuant to Government Code §54957, the Commission recessed to Closed Session at 10:15 a.m., for CS-1 Alternate Legal Counsel, Public Employment.

Present: Commissioners, Dear, Finlay, Knabe (Alt), Pellissier, McCallum, Mitchell (Alt), Gladbach, Paul A. Novak (E.O.) Bob Cartwright, Helen Parker and Tom Faughnan, (Legal Counsel).

Absent: Brogin (Alt), Close, Kawasaki (Alt), Krekorian (Alt), Molina, Spence, LaBonge, and Yaroslavsky.

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The Commission reconvened from Closed Session at 10:25 a.m.

Present: Commissioners, Dear, Finlay, Knabe (Alt), Pellissier, McCallum, Mitchell (Alt), Gladbach, Paul A. Novak (E.O.) Bob Cartwright, Helen Parker and Tom Faughnan, (Legal Counsel).

Absent: Brogin (Alt), Close, Kawasaki (Alt), Krekorian (Alt), Molina, Spence, LaBonge, and Yaroslavsky.

Tom Faughnan, Legal Counsel, stated there was no reportable action.

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On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Pellissier, unanimously carried, (Commissioners Close, LaBonge, Molina, Spence and Yaroslavsky being absent) the meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Novak", written in dark ink.

Paul A. Novak, AICP
Executive Officer