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## SPECIAL MEETING

# MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

## FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

October 22, 2014

Present:

Jerry Gladbach, Chair

Richard H. Close Margaret Finlay Tom LaBonge Gerard McCallum Gloria Molina David Spence Zev Yaroslavsky

Joe Ruzicka, Alternate

Paul A. Novak, AICP; Executive Officer Helen Parker, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Donald L. Dear

Lori Brogin-Falley, Alternate Don Knabe, Alternate Paul Krekorian, Alternate Judith Mitchell, Alternate

### 1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. in Room 381-B of the County Hall of Administration.

#### 2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Jerry Gladbach.

## 3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

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

## 4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)

The Executive Officer swore in four finalists for the position of Alternate Public Member.

#### 5 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

a. Interview Finalists for the Alternate Public Member.

Chair Gladbach asked the E.O. to describe the process for selecting the finalists.

The E.O. stated that staff has provided notice of the vacant Alternate Public Member position as required under State law, including providing written notice to the County, all cities, and all independent special districts. There was a 6-week period for applicants to apply, which ended on September 8, 2014. The Chair appointed an Ad Hoc Committee of four members to screen applicants. On September 30<sup>th</sup>, the Ad Hoc Committee for the Alternate Public Member met and narrowed the 27 applicants to four finalists. Staff and legal counsel have determined that the finalists meet the criteria for the position. Staff recommended that the names of the finalists be drawn at random to determine interview order, followed by the interviews.

The E.O. stated that he provided Commissioners with a list of potential questions for Commissioners to ask the finalists.

The following four finalists, drawn at random, and in the following order, were interviewed by the Commission:

Lloyd Carder Vanessa Langley Gordon Hamilton Greig Smith

[Commissioner Close arrived at 9:20 a.m.]

[Supervisor Yaroslavsky arrived at 9:36 a.m.]

[Supervisor Molina left at 9:50 a.m.]

#### 5 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

b. Appointment of the Alternate Public Member.

Chair Gladbach asked each Commissioner to choose their top two candidates. The Commissioners named the candidates as follows:

Commissioner Close	Commissioner Finlay	Commissioner LaBonge	Commissioner McCallum
Carder	Hamilton	Hamilton	Hamilton
Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith
		Commissioner Ruzicka	
Commissioner Spence	Supervisor Yaroslavsky	(Alt. for Dear)	Chair Gladbach
Smith	None listed*	Carder	Langley
Carder		Hamilton	Carder

<sup>\*</sup>Because he was present for the interviews of two of the four finalists, Supervisor Yaroslavsky stated that he would not identify his top candidates for the vacancy in this preliminary round.

The E.O. stated that Grieg Smith received five nominations, Lloyd Carder received four nominations, Gordon Hamilton received four nominations, and Vanessa Langley received one nomination.

The E.O. stated that the appointment of a Alternate Public Member requires a majority vote, which must include one affirmative vote from each of the four appointing categories; one, a

Board of Supervisors appointee (Molina, Yaroslavsky, or Close); two, a City Selection Committee appointee (Finlay or Spence); three, a Council President of the Los Angeles City Council appointee (LaBonge); and four, an Independent Special Districts Selection Committee appointee (Gladbach or Dear (in this case, Ruzicka as Dear's Alternate).

The E.O. stated that Public Member McCallum cannot vote for the Alternate Public Member, pursuant to state law.

The Commission took the following action:

• Nominated and Appointed Greig Smith as Alternate Public Member to serve out the remaining term of Gerard McCallum, which expires on May 2, 2016.

MOTION:

CLOSE

SECOND:

SPENCE

AYES:

CLOSE, FINLAY, LaBONGE, RUZICKA (ALT. FOR DEAR),

SPENCE, GLADBACH

NOES:

**NONE** 

ABSTAIN:

YAROSLAVSKY

ABSENT:

DEAR, MOLINA

MOTION PASSES:

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Chair Gladbach congratulated Greig Smith as the new Alternate Public Member and thanked all finalists for their participation.

## 6 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Spence stated the 2014 Annual CALAFCO Conference was informative and he enjoyed attending the Conference. Chair Gladbach stated the Conference was excellent with good attendance. Commissioner McCallum attended the Conference and he stated LAFCO 101 was a great session.

#### 7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The E.O. stated that a proposal to annex and detach territory between Rolling Hills Estates and Torrance (Reorganization No. 2014-10) will be on the next agenda scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup>.

The E.O. stated that there are no proposals before LAFCO that require action in Calendar Year 2014. The E.O. recommended, therefore, that the Commission cancel the December meeting, as the Commission had done for several previous years.

The Commission took the following action:

• Canceled the Commission Meeting of December 10, 2014.

MOTION:

YAROSLAVSKY

SECOND:

**SPENCE** 

AYES:

CLOSE, FINLAY, LaBONGE, McCALLUM, RUZICKA (ALT.

FOR DEAR), SPENCE, YAROSLAVSKY (ALT. FOR

MOLINA), GLADBACH

NOES:

**NONE** 

ABSTAIN:

NONE

ABSENT:

DEAR, MOLINA

MOTION PASSES:

8/0/0

The E.O. stated that the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting will be Supervisor Molina's and Supervisor Yaroslavsky's last LAFCO meeting.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

13 FUTURE MEETINGS

November 19, 2014 (Special Meeting - moved from the regular meeting of November 12, 2014) January 14, 2015 February 11, 2015

14 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(None).

15 ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Chair Gladbach adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Novak, AICP

**Executive Officer** 

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