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REGULAR MEETING

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

September 9, 2015

Present:

Jerry Gladbach, Chair

Donald L. Dear
Margaret Finlay
Don Knabe

Michael D. Antonovich, Alternate
Lori Brogin-Falley, Alternate
Judith Mitchell, Alternate
Joe Ruzicka, Alternate
Greig Smith, Alternate

Paul A. Novak, AICP; Executive Officer
Erik Conard, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Richard H. Close
Sheila Kuehl
Gerard McCallum
David Spence

Paul Krekorian, Alternate

1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 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 twelve (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 announced he would swear in members of the audience who planned to testify (None).

5 INFORMATION ITEM(S) – GOVERNMENT CODE §§ 56751 & 56857 NOTICE

(None.)

6 CONSENT ITEM(S) – OTHER

The Commission took the following actions under Consent Items:

- a. Approved Minutes of August 12, 2015.
- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of August 2015.
- c. Received and filed update on pending applications.

MOTION:	DEAR
SECOND:	FINLAY
AYES:	BROGIN-FALLEY (ALT. FOR CLOSE), DEAR, FINLAY, MITCHELL (ALT. FOR SPENCE), SMITH (ALT. FOR McCALLUM), GLADBACH
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE

ABSENT: CLOSE, KNABE, KREKORIAN, KUEHL, McCALLUM,
SPENCE
MOTION PASSED: 6/0/0

7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Out-of-Agency Service Agreement No. 2015-13 (Lebata, Inc.) Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Antelope Valley.

The E.O. summarized the staff report on Out-of-Agency Service Agreement No. 2015-13 (Lebata, Inc.) Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Antelope Valley.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony.

The E.O. swore in one member of the audience who planned to testify.

The 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 twelve (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).

Sworn in member of the audience, Jim McGee, attorney for Lebata Inc. (Applicant), stated that a surface mining permit was issued by the County of Los Angeles in December of 2014, with a condition to annex the territory into Waterworks District No. 40 boundary. Mr. McGee stated that the applicant is requesting an out-of-agency service agreement so that the District can provide water service now, as the Applicant awaits annexation proceedings (2014-13).

There being no further testimony, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following action:

- Acting as a responsible agency, the Commission considered the Final Environmental Impact Report certified by the County of Los Angeles as lead agency for the project; certified that the Commission has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the project as shown in the Final Environmental Impact Report; adopted the mitigation monitoring program as applicable, found that the mitigation monitoring program was adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation as applicable to the responsible agency; found that there are no further feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures within the Commission's power that would substantially lessen or

avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment; and determined that the significant adverse effects of the project have been reduced to an acceptable level, as outlined in the environmental findings;

- Authorized the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Antelope Valley to provide water service to the affected territory;
- Revised LAFCO's Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Antelope Valley Map to indicate that the affected territory is serviced by the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Antelope Valley.

MOTION: BROGIN-FALLEY (ALT. FOR CLOSE)
SECOND: FINLAY
AYES: BROGIN-FALLEY (ALT. FOR CLOSE), DEAR, FINLAY,
MITCHELL (ALT. FOR SPENCE), SMITH (ALT. FOR
McCALLUM), GLADBACH
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: CLOSE, KNABE, KREKORIAN, KUEHL, McCALLUM,
SPENCE
MOTION PASSED: 6/0/0

7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called up for consideration:

- b. Annexation No. 420 to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22.

The E.O. stated after the Agenda was published, staff discovered that the environmental Findings of Fact were not included in the Agenda Package. The E.O. recommended that this item be continued, without prejudice, until the October 14th meeting.

The Commission took the following action:

- Continued Item 7.b. until the October 14, 2015 meeting.

MOTION: DEAR
SECOND: FINLAY
AYES: BROGIN-FALLEY (ALT. FOR CLOSE), DEAR, FINLAY,
MITCHELL (ALT. FOR SPENCE), SMITH (ALT. FOR
McCALLUM), GLADBACH
NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: CLOSE, KNABE, KREKORIAN, KUEHL, McCALLUM,
SPENCE
MOTION PASSED: 6/0/0

8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

(None.)

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Annual Election of Commission Officers.

The E.O. summarized the staff report on Annual Election of Commission Officers.

The Commission took the following action:

- Designated Commissioner Gladbach as Chair, Commissioner Donald Dear as 1st Vice Chair, and Commissioner McCallum as 2nd Vice Chair.

MOTION: FINLAY
SECOND: SMITH (ALT. FOR McCALLUM)
AYES: BROGIN-FALLEY (ALT. FOR CLOSE), DEAR, FINLAY,
SMITH (ALT. FOR McCALLUM), MITCHELL (ALT. FOR
SPENCE), GLADBACH
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: CLOSE, KNABE, KREKORIAN, KUEHL, McCALLUM,
SPENCE
MOTION PASSED: 6/0/0

10 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Dear, who attended the CALAFCO Annual Conference in Sacramento, stated it was a very informative conference.

Commissioner Mitchell, who also attended the Annual Conference, stated that she enjoyed the Mobile Workshop, which involved tours of the Sacramento Regional Sanitation District, and the Sacramento River Delta.

[Supervisors Antonovich and Knabe arrived at 9:12 a.m.]

11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The E.O. thanked Commissioners Dear, McCallum, Mitchell, Ruzicka, Smith, LAFCO staff, and Erik Conard, Legal Counsel, who attended the CALAFCO Annual Conference.

The E.O. stated, included in the Agenda Package, was an acknowledgement letter from LAFCO's workers' compensation insurer, the Special District Risk Management Authority, recognizing LAFCO for having no paid claims within the last five years.

The E.O. stated that Commissioner Dear's term of office is set to expire in May of 2016. The E.O. informed the Commission that he had designated William Kruse to conduct an election on behalf of the Executive Officer. This referenced letter was included in the Agenda Package.

Commissioner Dear stated that CALAFCO has established a new schedule for future annual conferences. The E.O. stated that three CALAFCO conference sites will be permanently rotated: Monterey, San Diego, and Sacramento; and every fourth year, CALAFCO will choose another conference location. The E.O. stated that next year's annual conference will be held in Santa Barbara. In 2017, the conference will be held in San Diego, as part of the new schedule for held conferences.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None.)

13 FUTURE MEETINGS

October 14, 2015
November 18, 2015
December 9, 2015

14 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(None.)

15 ADJOURNMENT MOTION

On motion of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

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

Paul A. Novak, AICP
Executive Officer