

# LAFCO

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

June 8, 2011

**Present:**

Jerry Gladbach, Chairman  
Richard Close  
Donald L. Dear  
Margaret Finlay  
Gloria Molina  
Greig Smith  
Zev Yaroslavsky

Lori Brogin, Alternate  
Lillian Kawasaki, Alternate  
Don Knabe, Alternate  
Judy Mitchell, Alternate

Paul A. Novak, Executive Officer  
John Krattli, Legal Counsel

**Absent:**

Henri F. Pellissier  
David Spence  
Tom LaBonge, 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 Commissioner Jerry Gladbach.

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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).

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Hearing on Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 21 Annexation  
No. 711.

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 Finlay, unanimously carried (Commissioners Molina, Pellissier, Spence and Yaroslavsky being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2011-33RMD Making Determinations Approving Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 21- Annexation No. 711.
- Set August 10, 2011 for Commission protest proceedings.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Hearing on Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County - Annexation No. 1014.

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 Finlay, unanimously carried (Commissioners Molina, Pellissier, Spence and Yaroslavsky being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Resolution No. 2011-34RMD Making Determinations Approving Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County - Annexation No. 1014.
- Set August 10, 2011 for Commission protest proceedings.

[Commissioner Yaroslavsky in at 9:07a.m.]

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Hearing on Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County -- Annexation No. 1035.

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

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

- Adopted Resolution No. 2010-35RMD, Making Determinations Approving Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County -- Annexation No. 1047.
- Set August 10, 2011 for Commission protest proceedings.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Protest Hearing on City of Calabasas Annexation No. 2009-07- Mont Calabasas.

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

Instructed the Executive Officer, pursuant to Government Code Section 57075, to determine the value of those protests filed and not withdrawn and report back to the Commission with the results at the next LAFCO Meeting and based upon the results of the protest hearing, either terminate the annexation proceedings pursuant to Government Code Section 57078 if a majority protest exists, or adopt a resolution ordering annexation directly or ordering the annexation subject to confirmation by the registered voters of the affected territory.

Tom Bartlett, City of Calabasas was present to answer any questions.

[Commissioner Molina in at 9:11a.m.]

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 21 Annexation No. 714.

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 Pellissier and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Protest Resolution No. 2011-07PR Making Determinations Ordering Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 21 Annexation No. 714.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 21 Annexation No. 715.

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 Mitchell, unanimously carried (Commissioners Pellissier and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following action:

- Adopted Protest Resolution No. 2011-08PR Making Determinations Ordering Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 21 Annexation No. 715.

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On motion of Commissioner Dear, seconded by Commissioner Smith, unanimously carried (Commissioners Pellissier and Spence being absent), the Commission took the following actions under Consent Items:

- Approved Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14 – Annexation No. 359, Resolution No. 2011-36RMD.
- Approved Minutes of May 25, 2011.
- Approved Operating Account and Check Register for the month of May 2011.
- Received and filed update on pending applications.

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The following item was called up as an informational item:

East Los Angeles Incorporation Status Report

The Executive Officer informed the Commission that a revised Schedule of the Proposed Incorporation of the City of East Los Angeles was included with the Agenda packet. The revision occurred because the CFA would not be complete in time for the June 22, 2011 Commission meeting, which has now been canceled. The revised date for release of the Draft Public Review CFA will be July 13, 2011. The public hearing to consider the CFA will now be September 14, 2011.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Proposed Fee Waiver Policy.

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, seconded by Commissioner Finlay, unanimously carried (Commissioners Pellissier and Spence being absent), the commission approved the proposed fee waiver after the following changes were incorporated:

1. That the language be clarified to reflect the potential reduction of a fee as well as a complete fee waiver.
2. That the Executive Officer provide the Commission with notice 10 days in advance of granting a fee waiver or reduction.

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Recognition of New First Vice-Chair and Election of Second Vice-Chair.

On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, unanimously carried (Commissioners Pellissier and Spence being absent), the Commission recognized Commissioner Dear as the successor to the First Vice-Chair position vacated by Commissioner Smith, effective July 1, 2011.

Commissioner Finlay nominated Commissioner Close; Commissioner Dear nominated Commissioner Pellissier, Commissioner Close then removed his nomination and on motion of Commissioner Dear, seconded by Commissioner Close, unanimously carried, the Commission elected Commissioner Pellissier as the second Vice-Chair.

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Commissioners' Report

Commissioner Gladbach expressed appreciation to Commissioner Smith for his service to LAFCO since his initial appointment in 2004, for showing great leadership as Second Vice-Chair and First Vice-Chair of LAFCO, and for his assistance when LAFCO hosted the CALAFCO Annual Conference in 2008. Commissioner Gladbach also praised Councilman Smith for his decades of service to the City of Los Angeles.

Commissioner Smith asked why all L.A. City Neighborhood Council members were deemed to be ineligible for the position of Alternate Public Member of LAFCO. The E.O. noted that Neighborhood Councils are official legislative bodies of the City of Los Angeles, whose members are therefore ineligible pursuant to the provisions of State Law (Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000).

[Commissioner Knabe out at 9:27a.m.]

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Executive Officer's Report

No report(s).

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There were two speakers in favor of the East Los Angeles Incorporation during the Public Comment period.

Kristle Hernandez- East Los Angeles resident.  
Yobany Chacon- East Los Angeles resident.

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Pursuant to Government Code §54957, the Commission recessed to Closed Session at 9:34 a.m., for CS-1 Legal Counsel, Public Employment to retain Counsel for commission advice.

Present: Commissioners Molina, Close, Dear, Finlay, Smith, Yaroslavsky, Brogin (Alt), Mitchell (Alt), Kawasaki, Gladbach, Paul A. Novak (E.O.) and John Krattli (Legal Counsel).

Absent: Pellissier, Spence, Knabe (Alt), and LaBonge (Alt).

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The Commission reconvened from Closed Session at 9:37 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Molina, Close, Dear, Finlay, Smith, Yaroslavsky, Brogin (Alt), Mitchell (Alt), Kawasaki, Gladbach, Paul A. Novak (E.O.) and John Krattli (Legal Counsel).

Absent: Pellissier, Spence, Knabe (Alt), and LaBonge (Alt).

John Krattli, Legal Counsel, stated there was no reportable action.

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Future Meetings:

~~June 22, 2011~~ (Special Meeting - Cancelled).  
July 13, 2011  
August 10, 2011  
September 14, 2011

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Future Agenda Items:

None.

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On motion of Commissioner Finlay, seconded by Commissioner Pellissier, unanimously carried (Commissioners Pellissier and Spence being absent), the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul A. Novak  
Executive Officer