



Local Agency Formation Commission  
for the County of Los Angeles

# LIVE VIRTUAL COMMISSION MEETING

## LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
9:00 a.m.

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1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY CHAIR GLADBACH**
3. **DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)**
4. **SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)**
5. **INFORMATION ITEM(S) – GOVERNMENT CODE §§ 56751 & 56857 NOTICE**

a. None.

6. **CONSENT ITEM(S)**

*All matters are approved by one motion unless held by a Commissioner or member(s) of the public for discussion or separate action.*

- a. Approve Minutes of August 11, 2021.
- b. Approve Operating Account Check Register for the months of July 2021 (revised) and August 2021.
- c. Receive and file Update on Pending Proposals.

7. **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

- a. Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and Amendment to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District Sphere of Influence; and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption (**staff is recommending that this item be continued to the October 13, 2021, Commission meeting without discussion**).

8. **PROTEST HEARING(S)**

- a. None

9. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. Annual Election of Commission Officers
- b. FY 2020-21 Davis Farr Audit Planning Letter to the Commission

10. **LEGISLATION**

- a. Legislative Update

11. **MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. CALAFCO Quarterly News from the Board of Directors, August 2021

12. **COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioners' questions for staff, announcements of upcoming events and opportunity for Commissioners to briefly report on their LAFCO-related activities since last meeting.

13. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Executive Officer's announcement of upcoming events and brief report on activities of the Executive Officer since the last meeting.

- a. Written Update
- b. Verbal Update

14. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items not on the posted agenda, provided that the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Commission. Speakers are reminded of the three-minute time limitation.

15. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

October 13, 2021  
November 10, 2021  
December 8, 2021

16. **ADJOURNMENT**



**DRAFT**

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

August 11, 2021

### Present:

Jerry Gladbach, Chair

Richard Close  
Donald Dear  
Margaret Finlay  
Gerard McCallum  
John Mirisch

Lori Brogin-Falley, Alternate  
Michael Davitt, Alternate  
David Lesser, Alternate  
Mel Matthews, Alternate

Paul Novak, Executive Officer  
Carole Suzuki, Legal Counsel

### Absent:

Kathryn Barger  
Holly Mitchell

Janice Hahn, Alternate

### Vacant:

City of Los Angeles, Member  
City of Los Angeles, Alternate Member

1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The special meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. as a live virtual Commission meeting, with public comment accepted via email or phone through the conclusion of public testimony.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Gladbach.

3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

The Executive Officer (EO) read an announcement, asking if any Commissioners had received a campaign contribution that would require disclosure or any other issue requiring recusal from any item on today's agenda (None).

ANNOUNCEMENT

The EO noted that today's meeting was conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Governor's Executive Orders N-25-20, N-29-20, and N-08-21 under the modified laws of the Ralph M. Brown Act for the COVID-19 emergency, as well as the County of Los Angeles "Safer at Home Order for Control of COVID-19." LAFCO's legal counsel reviewed the notifications and agenda and has confirmed that the conduct of the meeting is consistent with State law as modified by the Governor and County orders.

The EO noted that all public hearing notices, and the agenda, clearly stated that interested persons were afforded the opportunity to submit written opposition or comments by email, or via United States mail. For any communications received after the agenda was posted, staff has forwarded copies via e-mail to the Commission (None). LAFCO staff continued to monitor e-mail and comments received during the meeting and prior to the conclusion of each hearing item were read to the Commission (None).

4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S) AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY/COMMENT

None.

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

None.

6 CONSENT ITEM(S)

The Commission took the following actions under Consent Items:

- a. Approved Minutes of July 14, 2021.

- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of July 2021.
- c. Received and filed update on Pending Proposals.

MOTION: Finlay                      SECOND: Dear                      APPROVED: 6-0-0  
AYES: Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Barger, Mitchell

#### 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None.

#### 8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

None.

#### 9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called for consideration:

- a. Fee Waiver Request for Reorganization No. 2021-03 of the Artesia Cemetery District, Downey Cemetery District, and Little Lake Cemetery District.

The EO summarized the staff report on this item.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Determined that the fee waiver is in the public interest; and
- Approved the fee waiver in the amount of \$9,600 pertaining to Reorganization No. 2021-03 for the Artesia Cemetery District, Downey Cemetery District, and Little Lake Cemetery District.

MOTION: Mirisch                      SECOND: Dear                      APPROVED: 6-0-0  
AYES: Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Barger, Mitchell

## 10 LEGISLATION

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Legislative Update.

The EO summarized the staff report on this item.

The Commission took the following action:

- Received and filed the Legislative Update.

MOTION:	Finlay	SECOND: Dear	APPROVED: 6-0-0
AYES:	Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach		
NOES:	None.		
ABSTAIN:	None.		
ABSENT:	Barger, Mitchell		

## 11 MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## 12 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

None.

## 13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

- a. Verbal Update

The EO indicated that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Executive Office notified LAFCO staff that in-person meetings will resume in October in the Board of Supervisors Board Room. The October 13, 2021 Commission meeting will be held in-person (subject to change). The last live virtual LAFCO meeting will be on September 8, 2021.

The Commission took the following action:

- Received and filed the Executive Officer's Verbal Update.

MOTION:	Finlay	SECOND: Dear	APPROVED: 6-0-0
AYES:	Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach		
NOES:	None.		
ABSTAIN:	None.		
ABSENT:	Barger, Mitchell		

14 FUTURE MEETINGS

September 8, 2011  
October 13, 2021  
November 10, 2021

15 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

16 ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Chair Gladbach adjourned the live virtual meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer



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Cash Basis

LA LAFCO  
Register Report  
July 2021

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	Type	Date	Num	Name	Paid Amount	Balance
Jul 21						
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/01/2021	10989	Quadient Finance USA	-1,600.00	-1,600.00
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/01/2021	10990	Promac Image Systems	-373.54	-1,973.54
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/01/2021	10991	Yvonne Green CPA	-325.00	-2,298.54
	Check	07/02/2021	ADP	ADP	-39.37	-2,337.91
	Check	07/07/2021	WIRE	TRPF 80 South Lake ...	-9,630.32	-11,968.23
	Check	07/09/2021	ADP	ADP	-172.38	-12,140.61
	Check	07/12/2021	DD	Wells Fargo	-68.50	-12,209.11
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Ambar De La Torre	-2,131.02	-14,340.13
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Douglass S Dorado	-3,129.48	-17,469.61
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Adriana L Flores	-1,326.50	-18,796.11
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Michael E Henderson	-2,385.05	-21,181.16
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Paul A Novak	-5,680.68	-26,861.84
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Alisha O'Brien	-2,354.77	-29,216.61
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Adriana Romo	-3,307.97	-32,524.58
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-4,906.34	-37,430.92
	Check	07/15/2021	DD	State Income Tax	-1,397.53	-38,828.45
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10992	Certified Records Man...	-777.22	-39,605.67
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10993	Charter Communicatio...	-417.88	-40,023.55
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10994	CoreLogic	-28.80	-40,052.35
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10995	County Counsel	-14,845.90	-54,898.25
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10996	CTS Clouds LLC	-637.50	-55,535.75
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10997	Daily Journal*	-1,832.74	-57,368.49
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10998	FedEx	-363.44	-57,731.93
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	10999	LACERA-OPEB	-1,696.07	-59,428.00
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	11000	Meijun	-900.00	-60,328.00
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	11001	Office Depot*	-172.57	-60,500.57
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	11002	Quadient Leasing US...	-382.28	-60,882.85
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	11003	Wells Fargo	-385.89	-61,268.74
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	11004	Promac Image Systems	-218.38	-61,487.12
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/15/2021	11005	Tropical Interior Plants	-125.00	-61,612.12
	Check	07/23/2021	ADP	ADP	-141.66	-61,753.78
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11006	Bank of America*	-1,286.83	-63,040.61
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11007	American Planning	-800.00	-63,840.61
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11008	ATT	-267.17	-64,107.78
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11009	CoreLogic	-28.80	-64,136.58
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11010	FedEx	-105.51	-64,242.09
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11011	LACERA	-16,246.75	-80,488.84
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11012	Motor Parks	-630.00	-81,118.84
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11013	Office Depot*	-238.94	-81,357.78
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11014	Quadient Finance USA	-15.00	-81,372.78
	Bill Pmt -Check	07/27/2021	11015	The Lincoln National	-282.70	-81,655.48
	Check	07/30/2021	62137...	Kathryn Barger	-133.00	-81,788.48
	Check	07/30/2021	62137...	Brogin-Falley Lori	-138.52	-81,927.00
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Richard Close	-138.53	-82,065.53
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Michael T Davitt	-138.53	-82,204.06
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Donald Dear	-138.52	-82,342.58
	Check	07/30/2021	62137...	Margaret E Finlay	-138.52	-82,481.10
	Check	07/30/2021	62137...	Edward G Gladbach	-138.53	-82,619.63
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	David J Lesser	-138.52	-82,758.15
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Gerard McCallum II	-138.53	-82,896.68
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	John A Mirisch	-138.52	-83,035.20
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Holly J Mitchell	-124.87	-83,160.07
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-233.91	-83,393.98
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-5,456.44	-88,850.42
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	State Income Tax	-1,602.52	-90,452.94
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Ambar De La Torre	-2,312.94	-92,765.88
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Douglass S Dorado	-3,377.75	-96,143.63
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Adriana L Flores	-1,259.13	-97,402.76
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Michael E Henderson	-2,594.18	-99,996.94
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Paul A Novak	-6,152.23	-106,149.17
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Alisha O'Brien	-2,886.42	-109,035.59
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Adriana Romo	-3,577.58	-112,613.17
	Check	07/30/2021	ADP	ADP	-39.37	-112,652.54
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Michael E Henderson	-7,462.80	-120,115.34
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-2,059.82	-122,175.16
	Check	07/30/2021	DD	State Income Tax	-747.07	-122,922.23
Jul 21					<b>-122,922.23</b>	<b>-122,922.23</b>

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**LA LAFCO**  
**Register Report**  
**August 2021**

Type	Date	Num	Name	Paid Amount	Balance
<b>Aug 21</b>					
Check	08/05/2021	wire	TRPF 80 South Lak...	-9,630.32	-9,630.32
Check	08/06/2021	ADP	ADP	-172.38	-9,802.70
Check	08/11/2021	62187...	Misc. Agency Expen...	-22,070.07	-31,872.77
Check	08/11/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-11,944.68	-43,817.45
Check	08/11/2021	DD	State Income Tax	-3,727.59	-47,545.04
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Ambar De La Torre	-2,221.98	-49,767.02
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Douglass S Dorado	-5,096.61	-54,863.63
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Adriana L Flores	-1,206.49	-56,070.12
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Paul A Novak	-6,440.89	-62,511.01
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Alisha O'Brien	-2,444.62	-64,955.63
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Adriana Romo	-3,442.77	-68,398.40
Check	08/13/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-5,783.54	-74,181.94
Check	08/13/2021	DD	State Income Tax	-1,793.02	-75,974.96
Check	08/13/2021	ADP	ADP	-133.03	-76,107.99
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11016	CALAFCO'	-5,030.00	-81,137.99
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11017	Certified Records M...	-777.22	-81,915.21
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11018	Charter Communica...	-417.88	-82,333.09
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11019	CoreLogic	-28.80	-82,361.89
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11020	CTS Clouds LLC	-637.50	-82,999.39
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11021	Executive Vault & A...	-102.37	-83,101.76
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11022	FedEx	-213.96	-83,315.72
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11023	LACERA-OPEB	-1,696.07	-85,011.79
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11024	Los Angeles County...	-1,500.00	-86,511.79
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11025	Promac Image Syst...	-90.77	-86,602.56
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11026	Wells Fargo	-385.89	-86,988.45
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11027	Yvonne Green CPA	-312.50	-87,300.95
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11028	Adriana Romo*	-394.84	-87,695.79
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11029	Tropical Interior Plants	-125.00	-87,820.79
Bill Pmt -Check	08/16/2021	11030	Office Depot*	-196.67	-88,017.46
Check	08/20/2021	ADP	ADP	0.00	-88,017.46
Check	08/30/2021	62240...	Brogin-Falley Lori	-138.53	-88,155.99
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Richard Close	-138.52	-88,294.51
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Michael T Davitt	-138.52	-88,433.03
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Donald Dear	-277.05	-88,710.08
Check	08/30/2021	62240...	Margaret E Finlay	-138.53	-88,848.61
Check	08/30/2021	62240...	Edward G Gladbach	-277.05	-89,125.66
Check	08/30/2021	DD	David J Lesser	-138.53	-89,264.19
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Gerard McCallum II	-138.52	-89,402.71
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Melvin L Matthews	-138.52	-89,541.23
Check	08/30/2021	DD	John A Mirisch	-138.53	-89,679.76
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-275.44	-89,955.20
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Ambar De La Torre	-2,221.97	-92,177.17
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Douglass S Dorado	-3,391.87	-95,569.04
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Adriana L Flores	-1,463.22	-97,032.26
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Paul A Novak	-6,336.17	-103,368.43
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Alisha O'Brien	-2,444.61	-105,813.04
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Adriana Romo	-3,442.77	-109,255.81
Check	08/30/2021	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-5,156.06	-114,411.87
Check	08/30/2021	DD	State Income Tax	-1,539.13	-115,951.00
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11031	ADP	-278.05	-116,229.05
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11032	ATT	-278.17	-116,507.22
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11033	Bank of America*	-16.99	-116,524.21
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11034	FedEx	-445.82	-116,970.03
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11035	LACERA	-14,907.23	-131,877.26
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11036	Meijun	-400.00	-132,277.26
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11037	Motor Parks	-630.00	-132,907.26
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11038	Office Depot*	-351.46	-133,258.72
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11039	Promac Image Syst...	-126.74	-133,385.46
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11040	Quadient Finance U...	-299.10	-133,684.56
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11041	The Lincoln National	-237.98	-133,922.54
Bill Pmt -Check	08/30/2021	11042	Wells Fargo	-385.89	-134,308.43
<b>Aug 21</b>				<b>-134,308.43</b>	<b>-134,308.43</b>

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6.c. September 8, 2021							
PENDING PROPOSALS As of August 31, 2021							
		LAFCO Designation	Applicant	Description	Status	Date Filed	Est. Date of Completion
1	DD	Annexation 2006-12 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40	Land Resource Investors	Annex 20 acres of vacant land located at the northeast corner of Avenue J and 37th Street East, City of Lancaster. Will be developed into 80 single family homes.	Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, registered voter and landowner labels.	5/16/2006	Unknown
2	DD	Annexation No. 2006-46 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40	New Anaverde, LLC	Annex 1,567 acres of vacant land located near Lake Elizabeth Road and Avenue S in the city of Palmdale. Will be developed into 313 single family home.	Incomplete filing: CEQA, registered voter labels, landowner labels, and approved map and legal.	10/5/2006	Unknown
3	DD	Annexation No. 2011-17 (2006-50) to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40	Behrooz Haverim/Kamyar Lashgari	Annex 20.62 acres of vacant land located south of Avenue H between 42nd Street West and 45th Street West in the City of Lancaster. To be developed into single family homes	Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, registered voter and landowner labels.	12/1/2006	Unknown
4	DD	Annexation 2008-13 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40	Lancaster School Dist.	Annex 20.47 acres of vacant land located 2 miles west of the Antelope Valley frw. And the nearest paved major streets are ave. H. And Ave. I, in the City of Lancaster. For future construction of a school.	Need BOE fees to place on agenda for approval. Emailed district for fees on 4-18-17.	9/22/2008	Unknown
5	DD	Reorganization 2010-04 Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29	Malitex Partners, LLC	Detach 88 acres of vacant land from the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District and annex same said territory to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No 29 and West Basin Municipal Water District. The project includes future construction of three homes and dedicates open space. The project site is located north of Pacific Coast Highway at the end of Murphy Way, in the unincorporated area adjacent to Mailbu.	Notice of Filing sent 07-15-10. Incomplete filing: CEQA. EIR on hold 4-14-15. Applicant requested to keep this file open, pending details how to proceed with the project 04/29/15.	6/9/2010	Unknown
6	DD	City of Palmdale Annexation 2010-05	City of Palmdale	49.6 acres located adjacent to residential properties to the southwest, southeast, and separated by the Amargosa Creek to the north.	Notice of Filing sent 1-3-11 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, insufficient CEQA, unclear pre-zoning ordinance, approved map and legal. Need to include DUC.	10/25/2010	Unknown
7	DD	Reorganization 2011-16 (Tesoro del Valle)	Montalvo Properties LLC	Annexation to NCWD and CLWA SOI Amendments for both districts. 801.53 acres regional access is provided via Interstate 5 (1-5) for north/south travelers from the east, and State Route 126 (SR-126) for travelers from the west. The existing local thoroughfare that provides access to the proposed area is Copper Hill Drive, which can be accessed directly from Tesoro del Valle Drive or Avenida Rancho Tesoro.	Notice of Filing sent 05-31-11. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution. Project has changed ownership. Need new application	5/5/2011	Unknown
8	DD	City of Los Angeles Annexation 2011-27	Forestar Group	685 acres of uninhabited territory located east of Browns Canyon Road and northwest of Mason Ave, in the unincorporated area just north of the City of Los Angeles.	Notice of Filing sent 2-15-12 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, CEQA, pre-zoning ordinance, map of limiting addresses, list of limiting addresses, and approved map and legal.	12/8/2011	Unknown

		LAFCO Designation	Applicant	Description	Status	Date Filed	Est. Date of Completion
9	DD	City of Palmdale Annexation 2011-19	City of Palmdale	405 acres of uninhabited territory located between Palmdale Blvd and Ave S and 80th and 85th Street East.	Notice of Filing sent 3-22-12 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, inadequate CEQA, maps of limiting addresses, list of limiting addresses, and approved map and legal. DUC adjacent	3/8/2012	Unknown
10	DD	Reorganization No. 2014-03 to the City of Calabasas	City of Calabasas	176± acres immediately north of and adjacent to the 101 freeway between the City of Calabasas and Hidden Hills.	Notice of Filing sent 1-8-15, Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution and approved map and legal.	12/10/2014	Unknown
11	DD	Annexation No. 2015-11 to the City of Palmdale (Desert View Highlands)	City of Palmdale	284 acres inhabited territory. Generally located north and south of Elizabeth Lake Road between Amargosa Creek and 10th street west, in Los Angeles County unincorporated territory surrounded by the City of Palmdale	Notice of Filing sent 9-22-15 Incomplete filing: property tax resolution, attachment 'A' plan for municipal services, CEQA (NOD), party disclosure, pre-zoning, map of limiting addresses, registered voter info	9/15/2015	Unknown
12	DD	Annexation No. 2015-10 to the City of Agoura Hills	City of Agoura Hills	117 acres uninhabited territory. Located northeast and southwest of Chesebro Road directly north of the Highway 101	Notice of Filing sent 11-3-15 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	11/2/2015	Unknown
13	DD	Reorganization No. 2016-01 to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District	Las Virgenes Municipal Water District	Detachment from West Basin Municipal Water District, and annexation to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District. Both districts require SOI amendments. The territory consists of 26 single-family homes, generally located south of Cairnloch Street, west of Summit Mountain Way. all within the City of Calabasas.	Notice of Filing sent 04-19-16 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, and map and legal not approved.	2/22/2016	Unknown
14	AD	Annexation No. 2017-02 to the Newhall County Water District	Newhall County Water District	uninhabited territory, located west of the 5 freeway and north of the intersection of The Old Road and Calgrove Blvd.	Notice of Filing sent 06-21-17 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, CEQA, approved map and legal.	6/15/2017	Unknown
15	DD	Annexation No. 2017-09 to the Wilmington Cemetery District	Wilmington Cemetery District	inhabited territory around Wilmington	Notice of Filing sent 6-10-17 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution	7/10/2017	Unknown
16	DD	Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District	San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District	77.55± acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is located north of the intersection of Mountain Laurel Way and Highwood Court in the City of Azusa.	agenda, Sept 8, 2021	10/22/2018	Oct-2021
17	DD	Annexation No. 2018-12 to the City of Agoura Hills	City of Agoura Hills	82.58± acres of inhabited territory to the City of Agoura Hills. Area A of the affected territory is generally located east of the intersection of Liberty Canyon Road and Agoura Road and Area C is generally located west of the intersection of Liberty Canyon Road and Revere Way, in Los Angeles County unincorporated territory adjacent to the City of Agoura Hills	Notice of Filing sent 11-20-18 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, CEQA, map of limiting addresses, pre-zoning, register voter labels, approved map and geographic description.	11/19/2018	Unknown



		LAFCO Designation	Applicant	Description	Status	Date Filed	Est. Date of Completion
18	AD	Annexation 429 to District No. 14	Sanitation Districts	640.07± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southeast corner of Sierra Highway and Columbia Way, all within the City of Palmdale.	Notice of Filing Sent 11-29-18 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	11/28/2018	Unknown
19	DD	Reorganization No. 2019-01 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes	Rajendra Makan	1.17± acres of uninhabited territory located along Re Le Chardlene, east of the intersection of Chandeaur and Rue Le Charlene, in the City of Los Angeles.	Notice of Filing Sent 5-14-19 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution and approved map and legal.	5/14/2019	Unknown
20	DD	Formation No. 2019-06 of the Lower Los Angeles River Recreation and Park District	City of South Gate	inhabited territory, along the Los Angeles River between Vernon and Long Beach	TTR/Auditors determination and approved map and geographic description.	10/2/2019	Unknown
21	DD	Reorganization No. 2020-01 to the City of Santa Clarita (Tesoro del Valle)	City of Santa Clarita	1609± acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is generally located north of the intersection of Copper Hill Drive and Avenida Rancho Tesoro, in the Unincorporated area of Los Angeles County adjacent to the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing sent 02-18-20 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution, approved map and legal. Reorg area within DUC.	1/27/2020	Unknown
22	AD	Annexation 300 to District no. 15	Sanitation Districts	9.573± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Palm Hill Lane approximately 500 feet north of Deodar Lane, all within the City of Bradbury.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-05-20 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	10/5/2020	Unknown
23	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1098	Sanitation Districts	0.49 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Sierra Highway approximately 300 feet south of Arline Street, all within Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-14-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/9/2021	Unknown
24	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1102	Sanitation Districts	3.83 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the northwest corner of Rueher Avenue and Santa Clara Street, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-14-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/9/2021	Unknown
25	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1103	Sanitation Districts	0.3 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southwest corner of Wabaska Street and Wiley Canyon Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-14-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/9/2021	Unknown
26	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1104	Sanitation Districts	4.53 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory has 2 parcels. Parcel 1 is located on the west side of Sand Canyon at Sky Ranch Road; Parcel 2 is located on the west side of Sand Canyon Road at Warmuth Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-14-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/9/2021	Unknown
27	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1105	Sanitation Districts	16.81 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Lowridge Place west of Willowtree Court, all within Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-14-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/9/2021	Unknown
28	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1106	Sanitation Districts	1.38 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Placeritos Boulevard approximately 700 feet east of Aden Avenue, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-14-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/9/2021	Unknown
29	AD	Annexation 432 to District no. 14	Sanitation Districts	1.253 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the west side of 45th Street West approximately 200 feet south of Avenue K-12, all within the Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 6-21-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	6/21/2021	Unknown
30	DD	Annexation No. 2021-02 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Andrew J Eliopoulos	annex 6.58± acres of vacant land to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No 40 for retail water services. The affected territory is located north of Eliopoulos Ranch Drive between Yianni Court and Marina Court, in the City of Palmdale	Notice of Filing Sent 6-30-21 Incomplete filing; TTR, CEQA, and approved map and geographic description	6/1/2021	Unknown
31	AD	Annexation 764 to District no. 21	Sanitation Districts	0.994 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Baseline Road approximately 120 feet southwest of Silver Tree Road, all within the City of Claremont.	Notice of Filing Sent 8-17-21 Incomplete filing; property tax transfer resolution.	8/5/2021	Unknown

## **Staff Report**

**September 8, 2021**

### **Agenda Item No. 7.a.**

#### **Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and Amendment to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District Sphere of Influence (SOI)**

##### **PROPOSAL SUMMARY:**

Size of Affected Territory:	77.55± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Inhabited
Applicant:	San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
Resolution:	June 15, 2018
Application Filed with LAFCO:	October 22, 2018
Certificate of Filing	August 11, 2021
Location:	The affected territory is generally located north of the intersection of Mountain Laurel Way and Highwood Court.
City/County:	City of Azusa
Affected Territory:	The affected territory consists of single-family residential and open space. The San Gabriel River runs along the south edge and the San Gabriel Mountains flank the west, north, and east of the affected territory. The topography is hilly.
Surrounding Territory:	Open space and residential surrounds the affected territory.
Landowner(s)/Real Party/ Parties of Interest:	There are multiple owners of land on record,
Registered Voters:	60 registered voters as of July 22, 2021.
Purpose/Background:	The purpose of this annexation is for the affected territory to receive vector control services.

Jurisdictional Changes:	The jurisdictional changes that result from this proposal include annexation to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and amendment to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control SOI.
Within SOI:	No, but a concurrent SOI amendment is being processed with this application.
Public Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56658(h), and upon issuing a Certificate of Filing, the Executive Officer set the proposal for public hearing and gave published notice thereof, within the required ninety (90) days.
Waiver of Protest Hearing	Pursuant to Government Code §§ 56662 & 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings that would otherwise be required if all of the criteria therein have occurred.
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Clearance:	The proposal is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a) because the annexation area consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable. In addition and in the alternative, the proposal is exempt from CEQA under the common sense exemption because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3).
Additional Information:	LAFCO filing fees for this proposal were waived by the Commission on March 14, 2018.

## **CERTIFICATE OF FILING**

Pursuant to Government Code § 56020.6, a Certificate of Filing (COF) is “the document issued by the executive officer that confirms an application for a change of organization or reorganization has met submission requirements and is accepted for filing.”

Upon reviewing the proposal for completeness, and pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 56658, the Executive Officer issued the COF to the applicant on August 11, 2021. In conjunction with the issuance of the COF, the Executive Officer set the public hearing date as Wednesday, September 8, 2021.

## **FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668:**

### ***a. Affected population, territory and adjacent areas:***

The existing population is 115 residents as of October 22, 2018. The population density is 1.48 persons per acre.

The estimated future population is 115 residents (no anticipated change).

The affected territory is 77.55+/- acres. The affected territory consists of single-family residential and open space. There are no proposed/future land use changes due to this proposal.

The assessed valuation is \$10,888,167 as of tax roll 2017/2018.

The per capita assessed valuation is \$94,679.

On July 13, 2021, the County adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution; all other involved public agencies have adopted a corresponding property tax transfer resolution.

The topography of the affected territory is hilly.

The San Gabriel Mountains run along the west, north, and east of the affected territory.

There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The nearest populated area is adjacent to and south of the affected territory.

The affected territory is likely to experience no growth in the next ten years.

The adjacent areas are likely to experience no growth in the next ten years.

### ***b. Governmental Services and Controls:***

The affected territory includes open space and single-family homes which requires organized governmental services.



The present cost and adequacy of government services and controls in the area are acceptable. The probable effect of the proposed action and of alternative courses of action on the cost and adequacy of services and controls in the affected territory and adjacent areas would be for the affected territory to not receive vector control services, leading to increased risk of vector-borne diseases, which could adversely impact property values and quality of life.

**c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:***

The proposed action will have no effect on adjacent areas. The proposed action will have no effect on mutual social and economic interests. The proposal has no impact on the governmental structure of the County.

The effect of alternate actions on mutual social and economic interests and on the local governmental structure of the County is minimal.

**d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space Conversion Policies:***

There are no conformance issues because the Commission has not adopted any policies relative to providing planned, orderly, efficient patterns of urban development.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code § 56377(a).

The proposal does not involve the development of existing vacant lands for urban uses within the existing jurisdiction of a local agency or within the sphere of influence of a local agency.

The proposal does not involve the development of existing non-prime agricultural lands for urban uses within the existing jurisdiction of a local agency or within the sphere of influence of a local agency.

**e. *Agricultural Lands:***

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code § 56016. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes, land left fallow under a crop rotation program, or land enrolled in an agricultural subsidy or set-aside program. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka "Williamson Act") contract nor in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2016-2017 Status Report).

**f. *Boundaries:***

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

The San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District is a mosquito abatement and vector control district. The proposed annexation to San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District is therefore subject to the provisions of its principal act, which is the Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control District Law (Health and Safety Code § 2000 *et seq*). Pursuant to Health and Safety Code § 2007(a), “territory, whether incorporated or unincorporated, whether contiguous or noncontiguous, may be included in a district.” Section 2007(a) also states that “[t]erritory that is already within a mosquito abatement and vector control district formed pursuant to this chapter may not be included within another mosquito abatement and vector control district.”

Furthermore, the affected territory in this proposed change of organization is contiguous to the existing boundaries of the District, and the proposal therefore complies with the contiguity provisions of the Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control District Law (Health and Safety Code § 2007(a)).

The affected territory is not located within the boundaries of another mosquito abatement and vector control district, and the proposal therefore complies with Health and Safety Code § 2007(a).

As a special district annexation, the proposal has no impact on existing city-county boundaries, nor does it create islands or corridors of unincorporated territory.

***g. Regional Transportation Plan:***

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080. The closest highway to the annexation is part of the RTP and SCS’s State Highway improved program. The closest highway in the RTP/SCS is Interstate 210, which is approximately two miles from the affected territory.

***h. Consistency with Plans:***

The proposal is consistent with the existing City of Azusa General Plan designation of Low Density Residential and Open Space.

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning is not a requirement for a special district proposal.

***i. Sphere of Influence:***

The affected territory is not within the Sphere of Influence of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District, but a concurrent Sphere of Influence Amendment is being processed with this application.

***j. Comments from Public Agencies:***

Staff did not receive any significant comments from public agencies or any resolutions raising objections from any affected agency.

**k. *Ability to Provide Services:***

The District currently provides vector control services to over 186,000 acres or 291 square miles of land throughout Los Angeles County. The annexation would add 77.55 acres to the service area. The District indicated that it has the ability to provide vector control service to the affected territory once the annexation is complete.

**l. *Timely Availability of Water Supplies:***

The affected territory is within the boundaries of the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District which is the local water purveyor in the area. There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery.

**m. *Regional Housing Needs:***

As a special district annexation, the proposal will not affect any city, nor the county, in achieving their respective fair shares of the regional housing needs as determined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

**n. *Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:***

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents.

**o. *Land Use Designations***

The proposal is consistent with the existing City of Azusa General Plan designation of Low Density Residential and Open Space.

The proposal is consistent with the existing City of Azusa zoning designation of Low Density Residential NG3 and Open Space.

**p. *Environmental Justice:***

The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2014-2018 American Community Survey (ACS).

**q. *Hazard Mitigation Plan:***

The County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan (approved February 13, 2019) establishes the County's emergency policies and procedures in the event of a disaster and addresses allocation of resources and protection of the public in the event of an emergency.

The Safety Element of the General Plan for the County of Los Angeles (approved October 6, 2015) addresses reduction of the potential risk of death, injuries, and economic damages resulting from natural and man-made hazards.

The affected territory is within a Very High Fire Hazard Zone pursuant to maps published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire). The affected territory is not within the maps that identify State Responsibility Area. Both the County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Safety Element of the General Plan include information relating to mitigation and management of wildfire and fire hazard severity zones.

**ADDITIONAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668.3:**

***a) District Annexation or City Detachment:***

The proposed action involves a district annexation.

***(1) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, district annexations:***

The proposed action will be for the interest of the landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the district and within the affected territory.

***(2) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, city detachments:***

The proposed action does not involve a city detachment.

***(3) Any factors which may be considered by the commission provided in Government Code § 56668:***

The Commission has addressed the factors in *Government Code* § 56668, subsections (a) through (q), above.

***(4) Any resolution raising objections to the action that may be filed by an affected agency:***

No affected agency has filed a resolution raising objections to the proposed action.

***(5) Any other matters which the commission deems material:***

There are no additional matters which the commission deems material to the proposed action.

**REGIONAL GROWTH CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668.5:**

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080.

Regional growth goal and policies were a consideration of the proposed action.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/OTHER MATTERS (RELEVANT TO THE PROPOSAL):**

LAFCO filing fees for this proposal were waived by the Commission on March 14, 2018.

### **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:**

The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a) because the annexation area consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable. In addition and in the alternative, the proposal is exempt from CEQA under the common sense exemption because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3).

### **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE:**

**Mailed Notice:** LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing to “landowners and registered voters within the affected territory” and to “all landowners and registered voters within 300 feet” of the affected territory pursuant to Government Code § 56157(d) and (f); notice “shall be sent first class and deposited, postage prepaid, in the United States mails” pursuant to Government Code § 56155; and notice “shall be mailed at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for hearing” pursuant to Government Code § 56156. LAFCO is also required to provide mailed notice of the public hearing to “each affected local agency, or affected county, and to any interested party who has filed a written request” pursuant to Government Code § 56427.

**Newspaper Notice:** LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing “in one or more newspapers of general circulation within each affected county, affected city, or affected district,” pursuant to Government Code § 56153, and notice “shall be commenced at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for the public hearing,” pursuant to Government Code § 56154. LAFCO published a hearing notice in the Daily Commerce on August 18, 2021.

All requirements for the public hearing notice have been satisfied.

### **WAIVER OF PROTEST PROCEEDINGS:**

Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings if all of the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceedings on the proposal.



All criteria have been met for the Commission to waive protest proceedings; however should written opposition be received by the Commission prior to the conclusion of the Commission proceeding, the matter should be referred to staff to schedule protest proceedings.

**SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO  
GOVERNMENT CODE § 56425(e):**

***1. Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area:***

The affected territory consists of single-family residential and open space. There are no proposed/future land use changes due to this proposal.

***2. Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area:***

The affected territory is located within the City of Azusa. General government services, including animal control, fire and emergency medical, flood control, library, mosquito and vector control, park and recreation, planning, police, road maintenance, solid waste, street lighting, water, wastewater, and other services are provided by the City of Azusa, the County and other special districts.

The affected territory includes open space and single-family homes which requires organized governmental services. The affected territory will require governmental facilities and services indefinitely.

The present cost and adequacy of government services and controls in the area are acceptable. The probable effect of the proposed action and of alternative courses of action on the cost and adequacy of services and controls in the affected territory and adjacent areas would be for the affected territory to not receive vector control services, leading to increased risk of vector-borne diseases, which could adversely impact property values and quality of life.

***3. Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Services:***

The District currently provides vector control services to over 186,000 acres or 291 square miles of land throughout Los Angeles County. The annexation would add 77.55 acres to the service area. The District indicated that it has the ability to provide vector control service to the affected territory once the annexation is complete.

***4. Social or Economic Communities of Interest:***

The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities

***5. Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities:***

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2014-2018 American Community Survey (ACS).

**SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO  
GOVERNMENT CODE § 56425(i):**

The Commission has a written statement of the functions and classes of service of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District specifying the nature, location and extent of its classes of service that it provides within its boundary on file. The Commission's written statement remain unchanged by this amendment.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO  
GOVERNMENT CODE § 56430(a):**

In order to prepare and to update spheres of influence in accordance with § 56425, the commission shall conduct a Municipal Service Review (MSR) of the municipal services provided in the county or other appropriate area designated by the commission.

A MSR for the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District was completed during the Commission's initial round of service reviews. Since this annexation is not expected to impact the overall comprehensive services of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District, an MSR is not being required for the current sphere of influence amendment to include the affected territory. At this time, the existing MSR is sufficient to fulfill the requirements of Government Code § 56430 for this sphere amendment.

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends approval of the proposal as a logical and reasonable extension of San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District which will be for the interest of landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the District and within the annexation territory.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony on the annexation and SOI amendment; and
2. There being no further testimony, close the public hearing; and
3. There being no written opposition submitted by the landowners or registered voters within the affected territory before the conclusion of this hearing on the proposal, waive the protest proceedings pursuant to Government Code § 56663 and Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and Amendment to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District Sphere of Influence.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-00RMD  
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION  
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING  
"ANNEXATION NO. 2018-06 TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL  
DISTRICT AND AMENDMENT TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MOSQUITO AND  
VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT SPHERE OF INFLUENCE"**

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with § 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the District, all within the City of Azusa (City); and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 77.55± acres of inhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District"; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide mosquito and vector control services to the affected territory; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing pursuant to Government Code §§ 56150-56160, 56427, 57025, and 57026, wherein the public hearing



notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on August 18, 2021, which is at least 21 days prior to the public hearing, and said hearing notice as also mailed to all required recipients by first-class mail on or before the date of newspaper publication; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Government Code § 56663, mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; and the mailed notice discloses that: 1) the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory, and 2) unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2021, after being duly and properly noticed, this proposal came on for hearing, at which time this Commission heard and received all oral and written testimony, objections, and evidence which were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to hear and be heard with respect to this proposal and the report of the Executive Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, acting as the conducting authority, has the ministerial duty of accepting any written opposition to the proposal and either, waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, if no written opposition was received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, with respect to Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District, finds that the annexation is categorically exempt

from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a) because the annexation area consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable. In addition and in the alternative, the Commission finds that the proposal is exempt from CEQA under the common sense exemption because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3).

2. The Commission hereby amends the Sphere of Influence of San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and makes the following determinations in accordance with Government Code § 56425(e):

(1) Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area:

The affected territory consists of single-family residential and open space. There are no proposed/future land use changes due to this proposal.

(2) Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area:

The affected territory is located within the City of Azusa. General government services, including animal control, fire and emergency medical, flood control, library, mosquito and vector control, park and recreation, planning, police, road maintenance, solid waste, street lighting, water, wastewater, and other services are provided by the City of Azusa, the County and other special districts.

The affected territory includes open space and single-family homes which requires organized governmental services. The affected territory will require governmental facilities and services indefinitely.

The present cost and adequacy of government services and controls in the area are acceptable. The probable effect of the proposed action and of alternative courses of action on the cost and adequacy of services and controls in the affected territory and adjacent areas would be for the affected territory to not receive vector control services, leading to increased risk of vector-borne diseases, which could adversely impact property values and quality of life.

(3) Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Adequacy of Public Services that the Agency Provides or is Authorized to Provide:

The District currently provides vector control services to over 186,000 acres or 291 square miles of land throughout Los Angeles County. The annexation would add 77.55 acres to the service area. The District indicated that it has the ability to provide vector control service to the affected territory once the annexation is complete.

(4) Existence of Any Social or Economic Communities of Interest:

The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

(5) Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities:

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2014-2018 American Community Survey (ACS).

(6) Determination of the Services of the Existing District:

The Commission has a written statement of the functions and classes of service of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District specifying the nature, location and extent of its classes of service that it provides within its boundary on file. The Commission's written statement remain unchanged by this amendment.

3. The Commission finds the number of written opposition filed by landowners and registered voters is \_\_\_\_.
4. Mailed notice has been provided pursuant to Government Code § 56663 on August 18, 2021.
5. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.
6. The affected territory consists of 77.55± acres, is inhabited and is assigned the following short form designation: "Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District".

7. Annexation No. 2018-06 to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The District agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of LAFCO concerning this proposal or any action relating to or arising out of such approval.
- b. The effective date of the annexation shall be the date of recordation of the Certificate of Completion with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- c. Recordation of the Certificate of Completion shall not occur prior to the conclusion of the 30-day reconsideration period provided under Government Code § 56895.
- d. All fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles (including, but not limited to, fees owed to the County Assessor and/or the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk), and the State of California Board of Equalization; shall be paid by the Applicant, in full, prior to LAFCO's filing the Certificate of Completion. Failure to pay any and all fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles, and the State Board of Equalization, within one year of the Commission approval of this change of organization/reorganization, will result in the change of organization/reorganization being terminated pursuant to Government Code §57001 unless, prior to expiration of that year, the Commission authorizes an

extension of time for that completion.

- e. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the District.
  - f. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
  - g. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
  - h. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
  - i. The map and geographic description of the affected territory shall comply with all requirements of LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and the State of California Board of Equalization. If LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and/or the State of California Board of Equalization require changes, the map and geographic description shall be revised and all associated costs shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
  - j. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "i", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code § 57325) shall apply to this annexation
8. Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission finds that all the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized

charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters before the conclusion of the Resolution No. 2020-00RMD Page 6 of 6 proceeding/hearing. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission hereby waives protest proceedings.

9. The Commission hereby orders the inhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District.
10. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code § 56882.
11. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code § 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code § 57200, *et seq.*
12. Pursuant to Government Code § 56883, the Executive Officer may make non-substantive corrections to this resolution to address any technical defect, error, irregularity, or omission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 08<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021.

MOTION:

SECOND:

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ABSENT:

MOTION:

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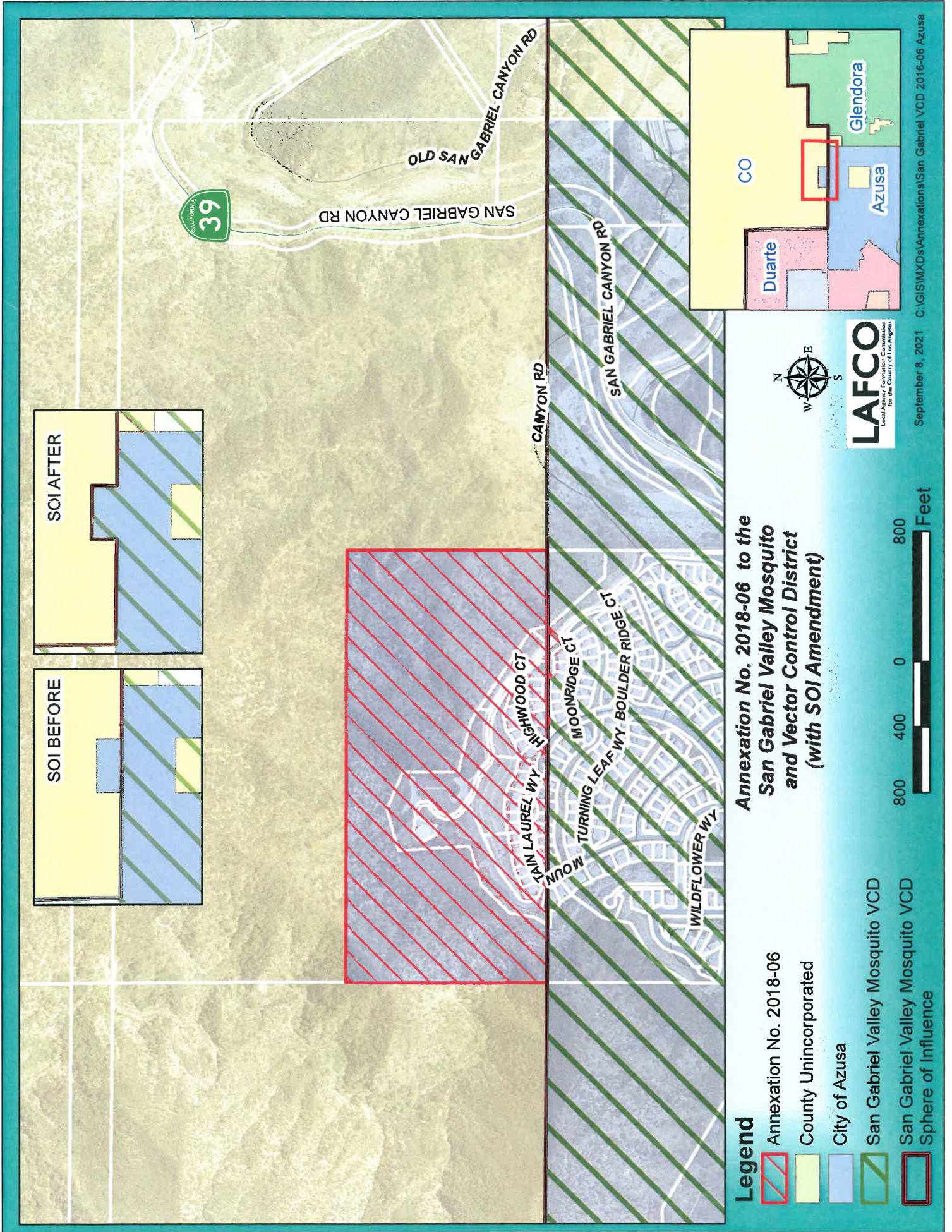
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**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

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**Paul A. Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer**





## **Staff Report**

**September 8, 2021**

### **Agenda Item No. 9.a.**

#### **Annual Election of Officers**

Section 10 of the Rules of the Commission (adopted July 8, 2009) state that “the Commission shall be presided over by a Chair, a First Vice-Chair and a Second Vice-Chair, to be elected by the Commission.” Section 11 of the Rules states that the Commission “shall elect the Chair, First Vice-Chair and Second Vice-Chair at the first meeting of the Commission held in September of each year.”

Officer positions are currently held by Commissioner Jerry Gladbach (Chair), Commissioner Donald Dear (First Vice-Chair), and Commissioner Gerard McCallum (Second Vice-Chair).

At the Chair’s discretion, the Executive Officer may conduct this matter for purposes of nominations and voting.

#### **Recommended Action:**

1. Nominate and elect a member to serve as LAFCO Chair for a term of one year and until the election of a successor.
2. Nominate and elect a member to serve as LAFCO First Vice-Chair for a term of one year and until the election of a successor; and
3. Nominate and elect a member to serve as LAFCO Second Vice-Chair for a term of one year and until the election of a successor.



**Staff Report**

**September 8, 2021**

**Agenda Item No. 9.b.**

**FY 2020-21 Davis Farr Audit Planning Letter to the Commission**

Davis Farr is commencing its annual audit of this Commission's financial statements in accordance with its contract. As part of the annual audit, Davis Farr has provided the required audit planning letter to the Commission dated, August 10, 2021, as enclosed. The letter informs the Commission of the audit review process, the auditor's risk assessment measures, and invites the Commissioners to direct information that would bear on the auditor's risk assessment to the firm's partner, Shannon Ayala.

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends that the Commission:

1. Receive and file the enclosed Davis Farr Audit Planning Letter to the Commission dated August 10, 2021.



Davis Farr LLP  
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Main: 949.474.2020 | Fax: 949.263.5520

August 10, 2021

Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission  
Pasadena, California

We are in the process of performing the audit of the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for the year ending June 30, 2021.

Professional Auditing standards recommend that, as a part of our audit, we inquire with those in governance to ascertain whether or not anyone on the Commission has knowledge of matters that might have a bearing on the auditor's risk assessment for the LAFCO's annual audit.

Example of these matters are:

- Known or suspected instances of employee fraud
- Areas in which the internal controls of the LAFCO are thought by the Commission to be weak
- Known or suspected misstatements in the accounting records of the LAFCO
- Known or suspected use of improper accounting practices by the LAFCO
- Any awareness of pressure upon the LAFCO or LAFCO management with respect to achieving certain financial results
- Matters that warrant particular attention during the audit
- Information about unusual transactions or other matters relevant to the audit

Generally, the scope of the audit is limited to matters involving amounts that would be significant to the financial statements of the LAFCO taken as a whole. If additional time is required to respond to the concerns of the Commissioners, we will estimate for the LAFCO the costs involved.

Please respond within 45 days from the date of this letter if the Commissioners has any matters to report that meet the above criteria.

Auditing Standards require the auditors to communicate the planned scope and timing of the audit. Additionally, at the conclusion of the audit, we plan to communicate the auditor's responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and significant findings from the audit.

### Timing of Audit

We begin the audit examination of the LAFCO on September 13, 2021. We plan to be completed with fieldwork by the end of September, and we plan to present the audit report and results of the audit to the Commissioners at the completion of the audit.

### Planned Scope of Audit

In addition to our standard audit approach, we perform a risk assessment each year to develop our audit plan. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, we have identified the audit risk areas noted below for testing:

- Risk of errors recording LAFCO's Net Pension Liability. We plan to obtain the actuarial valuation calculating LAFCO's Net Pension Liability and related balances. We will review the actuary's assumptions for reasonableness and adherence to the accounting standards. We will review LAFCO's accounting and we will ensure that the footnotes contain accurate and complete disclosures in accordance with the accounting standards.
- Risk of errors recording LAFCO's OPEB Liability: We plan to obtain the actuarial valuation calculating LAFCO's OPEB Liability and related balances. We will review the actuary's assumptions for reasonableness and adherence to the accounting standards. We will review LAFCO's accounting and we will ensure that the footnotes contain accurate and complete disclosures in accordance with the accounting standards.
- Each year we are required to incorporate an element of unpredictability into our audit approach. This year, we plan to test apportionments by vouching all apportionments received during the year to the monthly bank statements.

If any member of the Commissioners has information relevant to our audit (matters involving amounts that would be significant to the financial statements of the LAFCO taken as a whole) please contact the undersigned at 760.298.5872 or [sayala@davisfarr.com](mailto:sayala@davisfarr.com).

Sincerely,



Shannon Ayala, CPA  
Partner

## **Staff Report**

**September 8, 2021**

**Agenda Item No. 10.a.**

### **Legislative Update**

#### **Legislation:**

The Legislature reconvened (from its summer recess) on August 16<sup>th</sup>, and the last day for bills to be passed is September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Several bills of interest to the Commission continue through the legislative review process in the Capitol.

#### **Bills on which the Commission has taken a Position:**

- **AB 1581 (Assembly Local Government Committee):** This is the annual Omnibus Bill sponsored by CALAFCO. AB 1581 was introduced on March 9<sup>th</sup>. CALAFCO and LA LAFCO are on record in support of AB 1581. The bill was amended on April 19<sup>th</sup>, and now includes a total of seventeen (17) items (eleven “traditional” items, and six items repealing “special provisions” which relate exclusively to Los Angeles, Marin, and Santa Cruz Counties). Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 1581 into law on June 29, 2021.

Commission Position: **SUPPORT** (March 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting)

- **AB 703 (Rubio, B):** Post-pandemic, AB 703 (introduced on February 16<sup>th</sup>) would allow legislative bodies to utilize teleconferencing for public Brown Act meetings, subject to certain requirements concerning posting, notice, and the ability of the public to observe the meetings and provide public comment; would remove the requirement to post agendas and provide for public attendance at each virtual meeting location for teleconferencing meetings; and would require public agencies to respond to requests for reasonable ADA accommodation requests. The bill is sponsored by the Three Valleys Municipal Water Agency, and has garnered the support of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), California Mutual Utilities Association, Foothill Municipal Water District, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD), Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC), Public Water Agency Group (PWAG), Rowland Water District, San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership, Southern California Water Coalition (SCWC), and Walnut Valley Water District. AB 703 is pending before the Assembly Local Government Committee. AB 703 did not clear the policy committee deadline, and it is now a two-year bill.

Commission Position: **SUPPORT** (April 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting)

- **AB 1053 (Gabriel):** Current law states that a majority of city representatives is required to establish a quorum for the City Selection Committee in each county; AB 1053, introduced on February 18<sup>th</sup>, would reduce that quorum, for the same agenda items only, to one-third of city representatives if the first meeting was postponed for lack of a quorum. Current law states that City Selection Committees must meet in person; this bill would authorize city selection committee meetings to be conducted by teleconferencing and electronic means. The bill was amended on April 20<sup>th</sup> to apply exclusively to the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee (given this change, CALFCO has withdrawn its initial opposition to the bill). AB 703 did not clear the policy committee deadline, and it is now a two-year bill.

Commission Position: **SUPPORT** (April 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting)

**Other Bills:**

- **AB 1195 (Cristina Garcia):** This bill, introduced on February 18<sup>th</sup>, would form a new Southern Los Angeles County Regional Water Agency (SLACRWA) as a regional water agency serving Southeast Los Angeles County. The boundary of the proposed SLACRWA would be the same territory as the existing boundary of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD), and the combined territory of the existing boundaries of the Central Basin Municipal Water District and the West Basin Municipal Water District. The SLACRWA would be governed by a five-member board appointed by the Governor, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, the South Bay Cities Council of Governments, and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. Under AB 1195, when directed by the State Water Resources Control Board, the SLACRWA would consolidate operation of public water systems (defined as systems for human water consumption that have 15 or more service connections) or serve as an administrator of a public water system. The bill is special legislation without LAFCO involvement in the formation of the SLACRWA. AB 1195 did not clear the Senate, and it is now a two-year bill.
- **SB 268 (Archuleta):** Current law authorizes the submittal of a proposal to LAFCO to form a new Lower Los Angeles River Recreation and Parks District (LLARRPD), and the City of South Gate submitted a proposal to form the LLARRPD with LAFCO on October 2, 2019 (which is currently pending); SB 268 would alter the composition of the governing board for the proposed district. Current law authorizes, no later than January 1, 2020, the submittal of a proposal to LAFCO to form a new Lower San Gabriel Valley Recreation and Park District; SB 268 would extend that deadline to January 1, 2024. Staff does not see a reason for LAFCO to take a position on SB 268. Co-authored by Senator Lena Gonzalez, and Assembly Members Cristina Garcia, Lisa Calderon, and Patrick O'Donnell, the bill is supported by the Cities of Artesia, Bellflower, Commerce, Downey, Lakewood, Pico Rivera, and Santa Fe Springs. Introduced on January 28<sup>th</sup>, SB 268 was approved by the Senate Governance and Finance Committee on March 25<sup>th</sup>. The Senate approved the bill on June 1<sup>st</sup>. **The Assembly Appropriations Committee approved SB 268 on August 26<sup>th</sup>, and the bill is now pending before the full Assembly.**

**AB 850 (Gallagher):** Current law, and until January 1, 2022, authorizes the City of El Monte, the City of Montebello, and the City of Willows to sell its public utility for furnishing water service for the purpose of consolidating the system with another public water system; this bill would extend the deadline to January 1, 2024. Co-authored by Assemblyman Mike Gipson, the bill was introduced on February 17<sup>th</sup>. The Assembly approved the bill on June 1<sup>st</sup>. **The Senate approved an amended version of AB 850 on August 31<sup>st</sup>; the bill is now pending before the Assembly for concurrence with the Senate's amendments.**

**AB 339 (Lee and Cristina Garcia):** Once public meetings return to an “in-person” format (post COVID restrictions), AB 339 would require that public agencies provide both call-in access (landline telephone) and internet access (computer, laptop, or cell phone) for all public meetings. Additionally, the bill would require public agencies to provide closed captioning for all meetings, to translate all agendas and instructions for accessing the meeting into all languages for which five-percent (5%) of the population in the area governed by the local agency is a speaker. CALAFCO has taken a “watch” position on AB 339. The bill was introduced on January 28<sup>th</sup>. On April 15<sup>th</sup>, the bill was amended to apply only to “all open and public meetings of a city council or a county board of supervisors that governs a jurisdiction containing at least 250,000 people.” Given this amendment, AB 339 would not apply to LAFCO. The Assembly approved the bill on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. **The Senate Appropriations Committee approved AB 850 on August 19<sup>th</sup>, and the bill is now pending before the full Senate.**

- **SB 273 (Hertzberg):** Under current law, most county sanitation districts do not have the authority to provide stormwater management services; the two exceptions are in Los Angeles County and Orange County, both of which are the result of special legislation. SB 273 would allow all other county sanitation districts statewide to provide stormwater management services, while keeping the LAFCO process to activate these latent powers intact. The bill is sponsored by the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA), and it is supported by CALAFCO, who worked with the author on proposed amendments. The Senate approved SB 273 on April 12<sup>th</sup>. **The Assembly approved an amended version of the bill on August 19<sup>th</sup>. SB 273 is now pending before the Senate for concurrence with the Assembly's amendments.**
- **SB 403 (Gonzalez):** Current law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to order the “forced consolidation” of small water systems with a receiving system for certain disadvantaged communities. SB 403 would expand this authority to encompass a water system or domestic well(s) that are at risk of failing to provide adequate drinking water. CALAFCO has reached out to the author's office to address concerns and to discuss amendments. The Senate approved the bill on May 20<sup>th</sup>. **The Assembly Appropriations Committee approved SB 403 on August 26<sup>th</sup>, and the bill is now pending before the full Assembly.**



- **SB 55 (Stern and Allen):** This bill would prohibit the creation or approval of a new development, as defined, in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone or a State Responsibility Area. CALAFCO has taken a “watch” position on SB 55. Introduced by Senators Henry Stern and Ben Allen on December 7, 2020, the bill was double-referred to the Governance & Finance Committee and the Housing Committee. The author amended the bill on April 5<sup>th</sup>, and so as to “not result in a decrease in the state’s supply of housing,” the “intent of the Legislature [is] to help prevent such a decrease by offering alternative density bonus line incentives.” SB 55 did not clear the policy committee deadline, and it is now a two-year bill.
- **AB 1295 (Muratsuchi):** This bill would prohibit a city or county from entering into a development agreement for property located in a designated “Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.” Introduced on February 19<sup>th</sup>, the bill was double-referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee and the Housing and Community Development Committee. AB 1295 did not clear the policy committee deadline, and it is now a two-year bill.
- **AB 11 (Ward):** Introduced by Assemblyman Chris Ward on December 7, 2020, AB 11 would require the Strategic Growth Council to establish up to 12 regional climate change authorities to coordinate climate adaptation and mitigation activities in their regions, and coordinate with other regional climate adaptation authorities, state agencies, and other relevant stakeholders. CALAFCO has taken a “watch” position on AB 11. AB 11 did not clear the policy committee deadline, and it is now a two-year bill.

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends that the Commission:

1. Receive and file the Legislative Update.

# News from the Board of Directors

## CALAFCO QUARTERLY

August 2021



A  
message  
from the  
Executive  
Director

Greetings from your CALAFCO Board of Directors and Executive Director. It's summer and a hot one it is. As the drought continues, wildfires begin to rage, and we continue to deal with the pandemic, we hope everyone is staying healthy and safe

This Third Quarterly Report of 2021 will begin by highlighting the news in our CALAFCO family first, followed by Association updates. Happy reading!

### LAFcos in the News

#### Congratulations on these retirements

We want to congratulate two long-time LAFCo leaders on their retirements. Their contributions to CALAFCO and to LAFcos statewide are far too numerous to list here. Needless to say, they both leave huge shoes to fill and will be greatly missed. We wish them both all the best in their retirement!



After a 33-year career in local government, **Don Lockhart**, Sacramento LAFCo Executive Officer, retired at the end of July. Don began his local government career in Calaveras, then after 12 years at the City of Sacramento (where he processed his first annexation), he joined the Sacramento LAFCo team in

2002. Don became the Executive Officer in 2017. Don also served as CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer in 2008 and 2011.

Also calling it time to retire this month is Placer LAFCo Executive Officer **Kris Berry**. Her local government career began 36 years ago in Monterey County as a Planner, and after 17 years she joined the Monterey LAFCo team. She's been the Placer LAFCo EO for well over 16 years. Kris also served as CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer in 2016-17.



#### Napa LAFCo moved offices



WE'VE  
MOVED!

**Napa LAFCo** recently moved offices. The new address is 1754 Second Street, Suite C, Napa, CA 94559. Executive Officer **Brendon Freeman** thanks **Kathy Mabry**, Commission

Secretary, who he says, "Did most of the heavy lifting in terms of finding the office and coordinating moving logistics".

#### Sacramento LAFCo Welcomes New Executive Officer

Sacramento LAFCo announced the hiring of **José Henríquez** as the new Executive Officer. Most recently, José was the Executive Officer of El Dorado LAFCo.

#### El Dorado LAFCo Announces Interim Executive Officer

**Erica Sanchez** has transitioned to the Interim EO position for El Dorado LAFCo, with the departure of José.



### CALAFCO Educational Events

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING CALAFCO EDUCATIONAL EVENTS!

##### CALAFCO 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Join us **October 6-8** at the **Hyatt Regency Newport Beach John Wayne Airport** for the 2021 Annual Conference. It's

been so long since we've gathered in person and the time is finally here! All Conference details including info about the program, registration and hotel reservations can be found on the CALAFCO website at [www.calafco.org](http://www.calafco.org). **Deadline to register for the Conference is September 17 and hotel reservation cutoff date is September 6.**



##### CALAFCO UNIVERSITY



We are pleased to continue offering webinars at no cost to our members. During the month of August we are featuring a very special 4-part series on **Fire and EMS Agencies: Basics, Challenges and LAFcos' Role & Responsibility**. The first three sessions feature diverse and highly experienced panels that are focusing on the various service models and types of services offered by these unique agencies, how to conduct a thorough evaluation of services, and what's involved in changing contracts (\$56134). The final session will present three very different case studies from urban, suburban and rural LAFcos.

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Join us on September 1 for another session on *Forming a CSD*. Details for all CALAFCO University courses are on the CALAFCO website.

### CALAFCO Board of Directors

#### CALAFCO BOARD ACTIONS

The Board met virtually on July 30 with a full agenda. Under the leadership of *Chair Mike Kelley*, the Board took a number of actions.



- ✓ **The FY 2020-21 final year-end budget was presented.** The Board received the year-end fiscal report which includes a net balance of \$69,986. For the first time, CALAFCO had to sustain itself solely on member dues as there was no Staff Workshop, Conference or CALAFCO U revenue. Savings were realized in many operational areas.
- ✓ **Updated Policies for Sections III and IV of the current CALAFCO Policies were adopted.** One of the goals for 2021 is to conduct a comprehensive review of CALAFCO Policies, considering two sections per quarter. This is the second of a three-phase update process. The updated policies can be found on the CALAFCO website.
- ✓ **Associate member survey was presented.** CALAFCO recently conducted a survey of our Associate members to get feedback on membership services provided and how we can enhance our partnership value with them. Staff will continue to gather information from our Associate members as we work towards revitalizing and enhancing that program.
- ✓ **The Board received the Legislative Committee report and began discussion on legislative priorities for 2022.** An update on current legislative matters was provided, followed by a discussion about potential legislative priorities for 2022. The Board considered the extension of service proposal it tabled for 2021 and committed to revisit for 2022, along with supporting moving forward the consolidated language of existing protest provisions and an Omnibus bill.

Last quarter we reported to you on the Board's approval of CALAFCO filing an amicus letter to the CA Supreme Court requesting they review the decision in the case of *San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission v. City of Pismo Beach*. The letter was filed and the Court denied the request to review the decision, and further denied the request to de-publish the decision. While the Board acknowledges this is an important and unfavorable decision for LAFCOs, there is mixed sentiment amongst LAFCOs as to the overall impact of this decision. As a result, there will be

discussion of the matter during the Annual Conference at the legal counsel roundtable and during a topical roundtable breakout session.

- ✓ **Several other reports were received.** Including Elections Committee, Awards Committee, a CALAFCO U update and an update on the Conference.

All Board meeting documents are on the CALAFCO website.

### CALAFCO Administrative Update

A reminder to all our members that September 1 is the deadline to remit your CALAFCO dues for FY 2021-22. We are pleased to report that all Associate Members have been transitioned to a FY cycle rather than calendar year cycle and thank them for their patience during that transition.



### CALAFCO Legislative Update



This is the first year in the two-year legislative cycle, and wow has it been a busy one so far for CALAFCO.

This year, 2,721 bills were introduced which is about the average number. However, complicating the legislative process this year is the fact the Legislature has compressed their hearing schedule due to a shortage of hearing rooms that allow for social distancing. This means there is not the normal timeframe to negotiate amendments before bills get heard in committee and legislators are being required to seriously prioritize their bills for passage. (Only 12 bills per author were allowed to move from their house of origin to the other house.)

The Legislature returns from summer recess on August 16 and there will be the last minute flurry of amendments and pushing bills through the pipeline. Looming deadlines include: August 27 - last day for fiscal committees to meet and push out bills; September 3 - last day to amend bills on the floor; and September 10 - last day for the Legislature to pass bills. The last day for the Governor to sign bills is October 10, 2021.

This year, more than in past years, CALAFCO has been called on to work with legislators, their staff, and stakeholders in crafting amendments to bills. CALAFCO staff has done a large amount of negotiation on current





and potential legislation, beginning last November and continuing today.

This year alone, four subcommittees were created to work on various bills, including the Caballero water authority bill (never introduced), AB 1195 (C. Garcia), SB 403 (Gonzalez) and SB 96 (Dahle). CALAFCO wishes to thank all the Legislative Committee and Advisory Committee volunteers, and also those who serve on these various subcommittees.

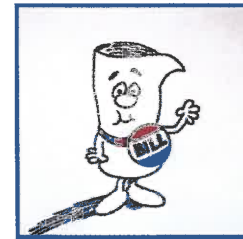
We are currently tracking 33 bills. Here are a few of the bills of importance we are tracking or have worked on:

- ✓ **AB 1581 (Assembly Local Government Committee Omnibus) CALAFCO Sponsor.** The annual Omnibus bill authored by the Assembly Local Government Committee (ALGC) and sponsored by CALAFCO was first introduced on March 9, 2021 and contained four proposals. Amended on April 19, the bill added two proposals originally approved by the Committee that required extended stakeholder review, and seven additional items that were a product of the Protest Working Group, eliminating obsolete special provisions. In total, the Omnibus bill this year contains thirteen (13) proposals. *The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 28, 2021.*
- ✓ **AB 1195 (C. Garcia) CALAFCO Watch With Concerns.** Drinking water. Creates the So LA County Human Rights to Water Collaboration Act and gives the Water Board authority to appoint a Commissioner to oversee the Central Basin Municipal Water District. CALAFCO worked extensively with staff from both the author and Speaker's offices, as well as other stakeholders on crafting amendments that include a special pilot program for LA LAFCo. The bill passed the Assembly but given substantial pushback from stakeholders, it was *held over in the Senate as a two-year bill.*
- ✓ **SB 403 (Gonzalez) CALAFCO Neutral.** Drinking water consolidation. Authorizes the Water Board to order consolidation where a water system serving a disadvantaged community is an at-risk water system, as defined, or where a disadvantaged community is substantially reliant on at-risk domestic wells, as defined. All three of our requested amendments were accepted by the author and we removed our opposition as a result. After undergoing three rounds of amendments since introduction, the bill passed the Senate and is in the *Assembly Appropriations Suspense file.*
- ✓ **AB 897 (Mullin) CALAFCO Support.** Regional Climate Networks. The bill builds on existing programs through the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) by promoting regional collaboration in climate adaptation and resilience planning and providing guidance for regions to identify and prioritize projects necessary to respond to the climate vulnerabilities of their region. CALAFCO requested an amendment to explicitly state LAFCos are eligible entities for

participation in the regional climate networks, which was accepted. *The bill is now awaiting hearing in Senate Appropriations.*

All bills being tracked by CALAFCO can be found on the CALAFCO website inside the Legislation section of the site (log in with your member id first to access this section). CALAFCO's position on all bills is reflected there, and any letters issued by CALAFCO are posted. The CALAFCO Legislative Committee meets regularly and all meeting materials are located in the Legislation section of the CALAFCO website.

Watch for solicitation of legislative proposals for 2022 coming soon!



### CALAFCO Associate Members' Corner



*This section is dedicated to highlighting our Associate Members. The information below is provided to CALAFCO by the Associate member upon joining the Association. All Associate member information can be found in the CALAFCO Member Directory.*

#### **Economic & Planning Systems (EPS)**

**EPS** is an urban economics consulting firm specializing in governance analysis; LAFCo special studies and service reviews; tax sharing; annexation; incorporation, and reorganization feasibility; fiscal analysis; public finance; demographic and regional forecasting. **EPS** has been an Associate member since June 2005. Learn more about **EPS** and their services at [www.epsys.com](http://www.epsys.com), or contact **Ashleigh Kanat** at [akanat@epsys.com](mailto:akanat@epsys.com).



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## Goleta West Sanitary District

A Silver Associate Member since August 2011, **Goleta West Sanitary District** provides wastewater collection and treatment as well as street sweeping services. Formed in 1954, the district serves over 35,000 people. For more information, visit their website at [www.goletawest.com](http://www.goletawest.com), or email their General Manager **Mark Nation** at [info@goletawest.com](mailto:info@goletawest.com).



## LACO Associates

**LACO Associates** has been a Silver Associate Member since February 2012. **LACO** provides integrated solutions for development, infrastructure and geo-environmental projects. Their services include planning, design, engineering and geo-environmental as well as CEQA compliance, GIS, MSRs and economic studies. For more information visit their website at [www.lacoassociates.com](http://www.lacoassociates.com), or email **Kevin Doble** at [doblek@lacoassociates.com](mailto:doblek@lacoassociates.com).



## Griffith, Masuda & Hobbs

**Griffith, Masuda & Hobbs** has been a Silver Associate Member since March 2012. Founded in 1920, they specialize in water, energy, environmental and public law matters. They focus on serving public agencies and serve as general counsel or special water counsel to various agencies in the Central Valley. For more information, visit their website at [www.calwaterlaw.com](http://www.calwaterlaw.com) or email **David Hobbs** at [dhobbs@calwaterlaw.com](mailto:dhobbs@calwaterlaw.com).

## HdL Coren & Cone

**HdL Coren & Cone** has been a Silver Associate Member since July 2013. They assist local agencies by using property tax parcel data for developing specialized data reports, focused economic development strategies and revenue projections. HdLCC provides services to cities, counties and special districts in the state. For more information, visit them at [www.hdlcompanies.com](http://www.hdlcompanies.com), or email **Paula Cone** at [pcone@hdlccpropertytax.com](mailto:pcone@hdlccpropertytax.com).



## Planwest Partners, Inc.

**Planwest Partners Inc.** has been a Silver Associate Member since August 2014. They provide contract LAFCo staffing services to multiple LAFCos. This includes preparing and conducting MSRs and SOI updates, public noticing, environmental documents, GIS, fiscal and economic studies, website management, application processing, facilitation and training. For more information, visit them at [www.planwestpartners.com](http://www.planwestpartners.com), or email **George Williamson** at [georgew@planwestpartners.com](mailto:georgew@planwestpartners.com).



*CALAFCO wishes to thank all of our Associate Members for your ongoing support and partnership. We look forward to continuing to highlight you in future Quarterly Reports. Look for our next update to include short interviews featuring our Associate Members.*

## Did You Know??

### Meeting Documents Online

Did you know that all **CALAFCO Board of Directors and Legislative Committee meeting documents are online?** Visit the Boards & Committees pages in the Members Section of the site. Board documents cover 2008 to present and Legislative Committee documents span 2007 to present.



### CALAFCO Webinars & Courses Archived

Did you know that all **CALAFCO Webinar recordings on archived on the CALAFCO website and available at no cost for on-demand viewing?** Visit the CALAFCO website in the CALAFCO Webinars section (log in as a member first). There are now 30 CALAFCO U courses archived, and 8 webinars are archived and available for on-demand viewing.



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**Deadline to submit Achievement Award nominations is August 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

**Deadline to submit Board election nomination packets is September 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. and requests for absentee ballots must be received by September 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

## Mark Your Calendars For These Upcoming CALAFCO Events

- ❖ CALAFCO U webinar on Fire/EMS Agency series – 8/16, 8/23 and 8/26
- ❖ CALAFCO U webinar on Forming a CSD – 9/1
- ❖ CALAFCO Leg meeting – 9/10 (virtual)
- ❖ CALAFCO Annual Conference – 10/6 – 10/8 (Newport Beach)
- ❖ CALAFCO Board Meeting – 10/8 (Newport Beach)
- ❖ CALAFCO Leg meeting – 10/22 (location TBD)



The **CALAFCO 2021 Calendar of Events** can be found on the CALAFCO website.



## **Executive Officer Report**

**September 8, 2021**

### **Agenda Item No. 13.a.**

The Executive Officer hereby reports the following:

- **Commission Meetings:** The October 13<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting will be an in-person meeting in the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration. Due to changes in the configuration of the Hearing Room, and in advance of the meeting, staff will provide all commissioners with a new room floorplan/assigned seating.

### **Staff Recommendation:**

1. Receive and file the Executive Officer Report.