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

March 11, 2026

Present:

Donald Dear, Chair

Ryan Altoon  
Kathryn Barger  
John Lee  
Robert Lewis  
John Mirisch

Wendy Celaya, Alternate  
Imelda Padilla, Alternate  
Angie Reyes English, Alternate  
Panida Rzonca, Alternate

Paul Novak, Executive Officer  
Tiffani Shin, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Margaret Finlay  
Gerard McCallum  
Hilda Solis

Micah Ali, Alternate  
Holly Mitchell, Alternate

## 1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. as an in-person and virtual meeting.

- a. Commissioner(s) request to participate remotely pursuant to Government Code § 54953.8.3:

(None).

## 2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Dear.

## 3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

(None).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Executive Officer (EO) announced that the agenda for today's meeting was posted to the LAFCO website on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, and at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration on Wednesday, March 4, 2026; in accordance with State law.

The EO noted that all Commissioners received a "hard copy" e-mail from Gary Thompson (Executive Officer, Riverside LAFCO) concerning Agenda Item 9.b. (Consideration of CALAFCO Membership).

## 4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)

The EO swore-in one (1) member of the audience who planned to testify, in person, and two (2) members of the audience who planned to testify, remotely.

## 5 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

## 6 CONSENT ITEM(S)

The Commission took the following action under Consent Item(s):

- a. Approved Minutes of February 11, 2026.
- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of February, 2026.
- c. Received and filed the Update on Pending Proposals.





## 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- c. Proposed Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Adriana Romo, Deputy Executive Officer (DEO) summarized the staff report.

Ms. Romo answered questions to the satisfaction of the Commission.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Approved the Proposed Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27;
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 56381, directed staff to transmit the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 to the County of Los Angeles, as well as the eighty-eight (88) cities and fifty-one (51) independent special districts in Los Angeles County, for their comment; and
- Set April 8, 2026, for the public hearing on adoption of the Recommended Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

MOTION: Lewis      SECOND: Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay)      APPROVED: 8-0-0  
AYES:      Altoon, Barger, Celaya (Alt. for McCallum), Lee, Lewis, Mirisch,  
              Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay), Dear  
NOES:      None.  
ABSTAIN:    None.  
ABSENT:    Finlay, McCallum, Solis

## 8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

(None).

## 9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Recommendation to Deny Fee Reduction Request (Jason Mummert) for a Proposed Annexation (735 North Banna Avenue, Glendora) to Sanitation District No. 22 of Los Angeles County.

The Commission unanimously voted to continue this item to the April 8, 2026 Meeting.





The EO noted that the Alliance of LAFCOs will meet on March 24<sup>th</sup> in Irvine.

The EO indicated that, pursuant to his employment agreement, the Commission conducts a performance evaluation of the EO every three (3) years, the last of which occurred three (3) years ago, in the spring/summer of 2023. Next week, the EO will provide each commissioner with a confidential survey, for them to complete and return to Commission Clerk Adriana Flores. Ms. Flores will compile the results, and provide those results, in confidence, to Chair Dear. For your April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, staff will agendize a closed session item for the Commissioners to meet and conduct his evaluation.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

14 FUTURE MEETINGS

April 8, 2026  
May 13, 2026  
June 10, 2026

15 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Chair Dear, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer