ACTION MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION HEARING OF APRIL 16, 2014

REGULAR MEETING 9:00 A.M. APRIL 16, 2014

PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS: Jim Bagley Dawn Rowe, Alternate

Kimberly Cox, Vice-Chair Sunil Sethi, Alternate James Curatalo, Chair Robert Smith, Alternate

Robert Lovingood Diane Williams

STAFF: Kathleen Rollings-McDonald, Executive Officer

Clark Alsop, LAFCO Legal Counsel

Samuel Martinez, Assistant Executive Officer

Michael Tuerpe, Project Manager

Rebecca Lowery, Clerk to the Commission

Joe Serrano, LAFCO Analyst

ABSENT:

COMMISSIONERS: Larry McCallon James Ramos

Janice Rutherford, Alternate

CONVENE REGULAR SESSION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION - CALL TO ORDER - 9:05 A.M. - SAN BERNARDINO CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Chairman Curatalo calls the regular session of the Local Agency Formation Commission to order and leads the flag salute.

CONSENT ITEMS – APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of March 19, 2014
- 2. Approval of Executive Officer's Expense Report
- 3. Ratify Payments as Reconciled for the Month of March 2014 and Note Cash Receipts

LAFCO considers the items listed under its consent calendar, which includes a Visa Justification, the Executive Officer expense report and a staff report outlining the staff recommendations for the reconciled payments. Copies of each report are on file in the LAFCO office and are made part of the record by their reference herein.

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Executive Officer Kathleen Rollings-McDonald states that no items have been requested to be deferred for discussion.

Commissioner Bagley states that he will abstain from voting on the minutes.

Commissioner Lovingood moves approval of the consent calendar, second by Commissioner Cox. The clerk conducts a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Bagley, Cox, Curatalo, Lovingood, Rowe, Williams. Noes: None. Abstain: Bagley on Item 1. Absent: McCallon (Dawn Rowe voting in his stead), Ramos. The items pass.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

ITEM NO. 4. No Items Deferred for Discussion

ITEM NO. 5. PRELIMINARY BUDGET REVIEW FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-15: PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES; PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-15

LAFCO conducts a public hearing for the preliminary review of the Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges and the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

Chairman Curatalo opens the public hearing.

Executive Officer Kathleen Rollings-McDonald presents the staff report, a complete copy of which is on file in the LAFCO office and is made a part of the record by its reference here.

Ms. McDonald states that the over the past year the outlook for the future is optimistic and that LAFCO has seen an increase in proposals, however, the financial crisis is not over for many. She notes that the City of San Bernardino bankruptcy continues, that other cities have declared fiscal emergencies, and that some special districts are still reducing services.

She notes the reorganization in staff as described in the staff report and identifies that two significant actions are noted in the budget category, one being the recruitment of the permanent Executive Officer and the other being the implementation of the Shared Services database. She reviews the activity chart and notes the increase of paying applications. She states that the apportionment for the upcoming fiscal year will not increase.

Ms. McDonald asks for approval of staff recommendations as noted in the staff report.

Commissioner Cox asks if there are anticipated issues in collecting the apportionment from the cities and districts, to which Ms. McDonald responds that staff does not foresee any issues in collecting the annual apportionment from the cities and independent special districts.

Chairman Curatalo asks that the recommendation include establishment of an ad hoc committee, composed of Chair, Vice Chair and Commissioner Bagley, to meet to discuss the recruitment of the Executive Officer.

Commissioner Cox moves approval of the amended item, second by Commissioner William. The clerk conducts a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Bagley, Cox, Curatalo, Lovingood, Rowe, Williams. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: McCallon (Dawn Rowe voting in his stead), Ramos. The item passes.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

NONE

INFORMATION ITEMS:

ITEM NO. 6 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE REPORT

Executive Officer Kathleen Rollings-McDonald presents the report of pending legislation. She reviews the six bills of interest to CALAFCO and/or San Bernardino LAFCO. She asks the Commission to adopt a position of support for AB 1521, SB 69, AB 2156 and AB 2762. She requests that the Commission take a neutral or watch position on AB 1799 and a watch position on AB 1961.

Commissioner Cox moves approval of the item, second by Commissioner Lovingood. The clerk conducts a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Bagley, Cox, Curatalo, Lovingood, Rowe, Williams. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: McCallon (Dawn Rowe voting in his stead), Ramos. The item passes.

ITEM NO. 7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Executive Officer Kathleen Rollings-McDonald presents the Executive Officer oral report. She states that this will be Commissioner Rowe's last hearing and thanks her for her service to the Commission. She informs the Commission of that Larry McCallon will continue as the regular member and a new alternate city member Ms. Aquanetta Warren, from the City of Fontana, by vote of the City Selection Committee. She notes that the term of office for the Regular Public Member and both the Regular and Alternate Special District Member seats will expire this month. She states that only Commissioner Bagley applied for the Public Member position.

ITEM NO 8. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chairman Curatalo notes that with his service on the Coalition of California LAFCOs and now the Board of Directors for CALAFCO, he has gained a better understanding of the Executive Officer's extensive LAFCO knowledge and respected reputation in the Government arena and LAFCO Communities.

Commissioner Rowe thanks the Commission for the opportunity to serve.

ITEM NO 9. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There are none.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE HEARING IS ADJOURNED AT 9:42 A.M.

ATTEST:	
REBECCA LOWERY Clerk to the Commission	
	LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
	JAMES CURATALO, Chairman