

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

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DATE: MARCH 15, 2017
FROM: KATHLEEN ROLLINGS-McDONALD, Executive Officer
TO: LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM #1 – INTERVIEW AND SELECT ALTERNATE PUBLIC MEMBER

With the resignation of Alternate Public member Thurston Smith on November 16, 2016, a nomination period to fill the position was commenced. Commission policy requires a thirty-day nomination period; however, the staff provided a sixty-day period from December 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017 (due to the office closure for the holidays) for interested persons to submit an application for the position. During this time period, four letters of application were received (copies are included as attachments to this report). Letters of application have been received from:

- Charlie Johnson, resident of Phelan;
- Matt LeVesque, resident of Yucaipa;
- Ryan McEachron, resident of Victorville; and,
- Al Yoakum, resident of Ontario

Staff has advised the candidates that each will be asked to provide a brief oral presentation outlining their qualifications and reasons for their interest in this position. The Commission may then make an appointment, with the successful candidate sworn-in at the hearing or may defer action to the next hearing. The term of office for this position expires on the first Monday in May, 2020.

The Commission process for selection of the successful candidate requires that the candidate must receive four votes and that neither the Public Member nor Alternate Public Member may vote. Further, state law requires that the successful candidate must receive at least one affirmative vote from each of the three other membership categories on the Commission – county, city and special district.

Staff will be happy to answer any questions at the hearing.

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Attachments (4)

Charlie Johnson

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December 12, 2016

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Dear Ms. Rollings-McDonald:

Kathy, I am re-applying for the position of Alternate Public Member.

As you are aware, I have been very active in the local government agencies in the community of Phelan. I have served on many boards and councils in the community of Phelan, including the Community Advisory Panel, the Municipal Advisory Council, the Chamber of Commerce, the Tri-Community Kiwanis Club, and the Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District.

I have worked with LAFCO on several occasions and am very familiar with the LAFCO Mission and Vision. I believe that the best government is local government that is sensitive to the needs and growth concerns of the community, and that delivers efficient and effective public services. To that end, I have chaired three committees to form or alter local governance: 1) the Phelan Piñon Hills Incorporation Committee (1994); 2) the Phelan MAC successful effort to change the boundaries of County Service Area 9 (1998); and 3) the Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District Formation Committee (2005-08), which was established in March 2008.

I have enclosed a brief resume for the consideration of the Commission. I look forward to any questions that you may have, and to discussing my experience with the Commission.

Sincerely,



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Summary

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Mr. Johnson is a general, financial, and project professional with over twenty years' experience in systems design, implementation, and management. His experience in private business, and over five years as a leader for a Community Services District team, combined with nine years as a professor is unique. He is a team leader who has proven to be a creative problem solver and team builder with excellent oral and written communication skills.

General / Financial Management

- Worked closely with consultant on the PPHCSD Water Rate Study and Proposition 218 process as Finance Committee Chair and Board President
- Established the District's fiscal and reserve policies maintaining a sound financial position
- Developed the District Investment Policy with our finance team
- Worked with internal / external audit teams to ensure operational and reporting compliance
- Established and managed a full accounting system (general ledger, payroll, accounts payable and receivable, and cash receipts)
- Directed and managed a large finance staff with a \$5 million budget and responsibility for general accounting and accounts receivable factoring general ledgers
- Managed a major (>\$1 million) implementation project team and an infrastructure outsource team for the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Investment management utilizing concentration accounts, zero-balance accounts, electronic wires, and depository transfers to invest surplus funds of \$10 million both short (overnight) and long-term in commercial paper and repurchase agreements
- Represented the District before the San Bernardino Board of Supervisors and Local Agency Formation Commission

Systems Management

- Managed Information Technology staff and hardware / software systems
- Project manager for financial management system evaluation, selection, and implementation
- Directed the implementation of the IT financial management and billing systems
- Managed a team which developed automated product costing and transfer billing systems
- Developed custom financial and management reports utilizing the general ledger reporting system

Training and Development

- Adjunct Professor – University of Texas, Dallas. Teaching Procurement, Financing, & Budgeting for INFOTEC in Mexico City
- University Adjunct Professor and Visiting Assistant Professor, lead faculty in finance for BS and MBA programs – University of Redlands, CA. Taught Managerial Accounting and Managerial Finances courses (nine years).
- Promote staff development through in-house programs, and sponsoring external training
- Conduct financial seminars on Information Technology and financial principles and practices. Seminar presenter for over twenty years for IT Financial Management Association

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Professional Experience

Director & Finance Committee Chair (five years) Board President (two years)	Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District (PPHCSD) This is a new District (2008) with many active Board Committees involved in creating District procedures.	Phelan, CA
CNJohnson & Associates A Financial & Systems Consulting Firm	AIG Life & Retirement Experian First Interstate Bank Virginia Information Technologies Agency Commerce Bancshares MassMutual Insurance Gedas North America Union Pacific Railroad	Houston, TX Costa Mesa, CA Billings, MT Richmond, VA Kansas City, MO Springfield, MA Puebla, Mexico St. Louis, MO
Adjunct Faculty for INFOTEC Visiting Assistant Professor Lead Faculty - Finance	University of Texas-Dallas University of Redlands BS, MS, & MBA Programs	Mexico City, MX Redlands, CA
Vice President / Controller	Security Pacific Automation Co.	Los Angeles, CA

Education

Master of Business Administration, California Lutheran University
Bachelor of Science, Business Management, San Diego State University

Professional / Activities

Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District Director & Board President
Special District Leadership Academy Certificate – California Special District Association

University of Redlands, Excellence in Teaching Award, Professor in Finance
University of Texas, Dallas (INFOTEC, Mexico City), Professor in Finance
IT Financial Management Association, recognized for twenty-five years as a speaker

St. Junipero Serra Parish Finance Council
Diocese of San Bernardino Finance Council, Vice Chair
Caritas Telecommunications, Board of Directors
Phelan Piñon Hills Community Improvement Association (Nonprofit), President
Tri-Community Kiwanis Club, Past President, Treasurer, Kiwanian of the Year
Phelan Chamber of Commerce, President, Treasurer, & Outstanding Citizen Award
Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce, Director
American Youth Soccer Association (37 years of service), Area Director, National Referee,
National Coach, Coach, Referee, and Management Instructor

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Community Activities

Tri-Community Kiwanis Club

- Charter member when formed in 1993
- President for three terms, 1994, 2006, & 2011
- Treasurer, 1993
- Board Member (many terms)
- Kiwanian of the Year, 1995-96
- Co-founder of the Phelan 4th of July Concert & Fireworks Show

Phelan Chamber of Commerce

- President 2016, Director many years
- Outstanding Citizen Award, 1994
- Phelan Phun Day Parade Grand Marshal

Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce

- Director

Phelan Citizens' Advisory Panel (CAP)

- Appointed by Supervisor Marcia Turoci
- Chair (many terms)
- Prevented housing development for 90+ homes on 100 acres at NE corner of Phelan and Johnson Roads

Phelan Piñon Hills Incorporation Feasibility Committee (1994-5)

- Chair of the Steering Committee
- Directed activities of several sub-committees
- Coordinated activities with the San Bernardino County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)
- Collected financial and other data from County departments (Auditor, Sheriff, Fire, Special Districts, Registrar of Voters, etc.)
- Met with civic groups (Kiwanis, Phelan MAC, Piñon Hills MAC, etc.) for discussion and comments

Phelan Municipal Advisory Council (MAC)

- Appointed the first Chairman by Cathy Davis
- Served as Chair for several terms
- In 1997 led the effort to define boundaries and powers of County Service Area 9 (CSA 9 – Phelan)
 - Worked with County Special Districts Department to expand new boundaries from nine square mile street lighting district to current boundaries (~88 square miles)
 - Added park & recreation and road maintenance powers to CSA 9 – Phelan

- Persuaded the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors to unanimously approve the expansion boundaries and powers
- Testified before LAFCo in support of the expansion of boundaries and powers. Commission voted unanimously in favor of the expansion
- This boundary change stopped Victorville encroachment into Phelan (4.5 square miles) with the Ira Norris housing project in 2004

Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District (PPHCSD)

- Gathered five community members together to form the Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District Feasibility Committee on April 15, 2004
- Chair of the Feasibility Committee until District formation and initial meeting on March 19, 2008
- Worked with County Special District Department (SDD) to combine three County Service Areas (CSA 70, Zone L, CSA 56 F1, and CSA 9) to form the CSD
- Served on the Mojave Water Agency Technical Advisory Committee
- Served on the Mojave Water Agency Oeste Sub-basin Committee
- Worked with Supervisors Postmus and Mitzelfelt, who supported the District formation
- Prepared the Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District Feasibility Study
- Served two terms as Board President
- Assisted in the preparation of several District financial policies
- Served on Park & Recreation, Waste Management, Finance (Chair for five years), Engineering, Road (ad hoc), Alternative Energy (ad hoc), El Mirage Annexation (ad hoc), and General Manager Selection/Evaluation (ad hoc) committees
- Developed "Roles and Responsibility" documents for several committees, which were approved by the District Board
- California Special Districts Association, Special District Leadership Foundation - Recognition in Special District Governance

Phelan Piñon Hills Community Improvement Association (PPHCIA)

PPHCIA is a public charity as defined by the IRS under Section 501 (c) (3). The purpose is to promote community welfare and development for the benefit of Phelan and Piñon Hills.

- President

Diocese of San Bernardino

Diocesan Finance Council, Vice Chair
 Catholic Foundation, Trustee
 Catholic Education Foundation, Trustee
 Caritas Telecommunications, Board of Directors

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January 31, 2017

Re: Public Member Vacancy

Members of The Local Agency Formation Commission,

Per the Posting of Vacancy Notice, please accept this letter and attachment as my application for consideration for appointment as an Alternate Public Member to the commission.

I am a resident of Yucaipa and a lifelong resident of San Bernardino County. I am self-employed as a forensic consultant and contractor in the field of general engineering and general building.

As you may know, I served as an elected officer on the East Valley Water District board, where I first learned about the role and work of the commission and where I developed an interest in serving on LAFCO. However, I did not apply as a member for special districts as we were well-represented.

With that experience highlighted, I wish to express my desire to approach the work of the commission without bias. The great "take-away" from public service is that there is always more to learn and at least two views on any subject. My reason for requesting appointment, therefore, is to act in the capacity of the appointment and to represent the public, should I be called to do so.

Attached please find a brief CV for your review.

Thank you,



Matt LeVesque

Matt Le Vesque
General Engineering & General Building Contractor
Forensic Construction Consulting

Active California licensed General Engineering and General Building contractor, with extensive experience as an industry expert investigating Contractors State License Board violations. Serves as a forensic construction consultant, providing dispute resolution in mediation, arbitration, and expert witness testimony. Areas of expertise include industry standards; construction safety and jobsite accidents; contract disputes, cost analysis and change orders; owner/general contractor/subcontractor disputes; ADA compliance; home remodeling; and commercial tenant improvements. Special expertise in roofing and roofing products. Works for attorneys, general contractors and subcontractors, building owners, property managers, home owner associations, and homeowners.

Professional Construction Experience

Bishop Construction Services, Inc. - General Engineering & Building Contractor, 2004-Present

- Residential, commercial, and light industrial projects
- Street, site, underground projects
- ADA, governing body compliance

Around the House – Southern California Newspaper Group, 2010-Present

- Weekly advice column published through Media News Group

Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency ,2016-Present

- Contractor-PB Disaster Services (Security Clearance)

Construction Zone Radio - KTIE Salem Communications, 2008-2010

- Weekly advice/talk/call-in show on commercial radio

Construction Zone Radio - KVCR National Public Radio, 2005-2008

- Weekly talk/call in/advice radio program on National Public Radio

East Valley Water District, 2007-2014

- Board Member, Chairman (2012-2014)

Contractors State License Board, 2002-Present

- Industry Expert

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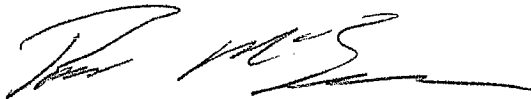
Dear Kathleen:

This letter is to inform you on my interest in serving as the Alternate Public Member of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for San Bernardino County.

Over the last eight years I have served on the Victorville City Council and as its Mayor from 2010 to 2012. Also during my time on the council I was able to serve at the regional level on the San Bernardino Association Governments (SANBAG) and as its President from 2015 to 2016. As well my colleagues chose me to serve as the Region Council Member for District 65 on the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

Attached you will find a brief biography that outlines my experience at the local and regional levels. I believe my activities and abilities in working with others to address regional issues qualify me for the position and would appreciate the Commission's consideration in the appointment process.

Sincerely,



Ryan McEachron

RYAN McEACHRON

Ryan McEachron was born and raised in the high desert. He graduated from Apple Valley Senior High School in 1991 and obtained his Bachelor of Science in Communication from Arizona State University in 1995.

Ryan is currently the Chief Executive Officer of ISU Insurance Services - ARMAC Agency in Victorville. He served on the Victorville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for six years and served as its Chairman of the Board from 2000 to 2001.

As well as his involvement in the Chamber, Ryan is involved in many other community organizations such as the Victorville Rotary where he served as their president in 2004-2005. Ryan's leadership has earned him appointments to various positions such as the Victorville Planning Commission where he served from December 2000, part of that time as its Chairman, until his election to the Victorville City Council in November 2008. Ryan served as the City of Victorville delegate to the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), a regional transportation planning agency. Ryan was also the City's delegate to the Victor Valley Economic Development Authority (VVEDA) from 2010 – 2012.

In 2008, Ryan McEachron was elected to Victorville City Council and was reelected in 2012. Ryan was appointed Mayor in December 2010 and served in that capacity until December 2012, when he was appointed to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for a two-year term.

Ryan represented the City of Victorville on the following boards, commissions and committees:

Delegate to and President of SANBAG

Delegate and Past Chair of the Mountain/Desert Measure "I" Committee

Delegate and Regional Council Member to SCAG

2nd Alternate to VVWRA

December 29, 2016

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RE: Alternate Public Member of the Local Agency Formation Commission for San Bernardino County

Dear Kathleen Rollings-McDonald:

I am very interested and excited to be considered for the position of Alternate Public Member.

I have a varied background, from a family farm, construction, small business owner, engineer, realtor, permit writer and inspector of businesses and manufacturing facilities for compliance of City, County, State, and Federal Rules, to teaching in the Public and Private Sectors.

San Bernardino County is 20,000 square miles the largest county in the continental United States. I have a deep connection to its Mountains, Deserts, and Valleys. In Mountain and Desert solitude, I have watched the sun rise beginning the day and set ending the day giving way to brilliant stars promising a new day. I have worked, lived and raised a family in its Valleys. I can be seen at local and regional stores, restaurants, theaters and even in grid lock. San Bernardino County's varies from the arts and culture, agriculture, building, health care, education, land development, recreation, retail, technology, warehousing, the goes on to infinity, just as the diversity of its people. I can represent all its people equally to provide necessary governmental services and housing in the most efficient manner feasible.

As a member I will encourage orderly growth; discourage premature conversion of open lands to urban uses; promote logical and orderly growth and effective service delivery. I am a team player and exercise independent judgment on behalf of the interests of residents, property owners, and the public as a whole in furthering the purposes of this division.

With my background, I can contribute and serve as an effective Alternate Public Member to the Local Agency Formation Commission for San Bernardino County.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,



Al Yoakum

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Elvin (Al) Yoakum

Position

Alternate Public Member

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Work Experience

- Fifteen years in the public sector at the City of Ontario. As a member of the Engineering Environmental team, I was responsible for coordinating, directing, planning, and supervising activities with federal, state, regional agencies, and local codes and regulations for sewer, storm water and water. I have worked with operators to solve challenges for sewer, storm water, and water issues. This required research, analysis, and evaluation to reach practical solutions. I developed operation procedures based on ASTM, EPA, and AWWA guidelines. I have lectured and presented public information at health fairs, classrooms, and civic meetings. As safety coordinator, I have instructed others on operation, maintenance of equipment, and safety procedures. I developed the first data bases, computer generated forms and reports for plan checking, pretreatment, storm drain and water quality in the Engineering Department. I have checked plans for public utility work and resolved issues with project managers, engineers, and construction superintendents. When the environmental team moved from Engineering to Public Works I transferred to the Engineering Land Development team. I reviewed Site Plans, Lot Line Adjustments, and Parcel & Tract Maps, checking water and sewer plans, developing and reviewing estimates for work in the public right of way for conformance with Ontario Standards. I wrote Conditions of Approval for construction sites that developers, construction companies, and parcel owners must adhere to follow the City's Specific Plan, and City Standards and Practices. I met with other city departments and agencies to coordinate the new projects and revisions to existing projects.
- Twenty five years in the private sector at the Fluor Corporation, Ralph M. Parsons Corporation, C F Braun and Santa Fe Corporation. We designed and built national and international oil refineries, chemical plants, power plants, nuclear plants, and utility plants. As supervisor, the primary concern was for the safety of the operators, efficient operation of the plants while following engineering, environmental, safety procedures found in Federal, State, and Local Codes and Regulations. I developed man-hour estimates, design specifications, material specifications, schedules for personal loading, installation drawings, material take-offs. I was responsible for logistics material delivery to the construction site. I also conducted personnel reviews.

- Three years as a Realtor. Through education and work experience I became familiar with Real Estate law and principles. I studied zoning laws and master plans for the development of land from farming and ranching to housing, cities, industrial and manufacturing zones. The central theme of real estate law is the best and highest use of property should prevail. Ethics is the key element in Real Estate and Realtors are held to a higher level, as they should be. I have always held myself to the highest level of ethics.

Licenses/Certificates

- California Control Systems Engineer – Licenses Number CS2636
- Water Treatment Operator
- Water Distribution Operator
- Industrial Waste Inspector

Activities

- As a City of Montclair Planning Commissioner and Vice Chair for 6 years, I reviewed staff reports on development issues. I listened to public input, reviewed each site and studied the staff reports. At times there were slight modifications, but always, the public interest formed my decision. We made recommendations to the City Council for their decisions. I attended the League of California Conferences, planning conferences, conferences on Commissioner Responsibilities, and conferences on Ethics to improve myself.
- I served four years as a Director for the Chino Basin Water Conservation District. During that time the District opened a new campus, education center, landscaping gardens, meeting rooms, and updated the Wilderness Park. As a member of the Education Committee, we made tremendous advancements. Conservation Poster categories were increased to separate K-10 and 11-12 grades to recognize the different abilities of each grade. The Students in College Scholarship Program awarded up to \$5,000 to help students studying water conservation. I chaired the Chino Basin Recharge Committee. Our goal was to increase aquifer levels by partnering with local agencies, colleges, and companies; actually testing new and old ideas and concepts on water recharging. I was a member of the Southern California Water Committee Stormwater Task Force. We discussed challenges, solutions, and regulations facing Southern California Water Agencies, and State and Federal Agencies

Education

- Mount San Antonio College - General Education - 1964 - AA
- California State University at Los Angeles - Industrial Studies/Education - 1981 - BA
- California State University at Northridge - Masters Public Administration – I changed my focus to environmental issues and did not complete a thesis