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LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MARCH 21, 2014 MEETING

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There being a quorum present, the meeting was convened at 9:30 a.m., by Chairman Tom Pocklington (Bonita-Sunnyside FPD). Attending were: **Committee Members** – Gary Arant (Valley Center MWD)(left at 10:30 a.m.), Brian Brady (Rainbow MWD) (left at 10:30 a.m.), Tom Bumgardner (Valley Center Parks & Recreation District), Judy Hanson (Leucadia WWD), Jon Lorenz (Lakeside FPD), John Pastore (Rancho Santa Fe CSD), Augie Scalzitti (Padre Dam MWD) (arrived at 9:35 a.m.), Terry Thomas (South Bay ID) and Kimberly Thorner (Olivenhain MWD). Absent were: **Committee Members:** Jim Archer (Alpine FPD), Gary Croucher (Otay Water District), Bill Haynor (Whispering Palms CSD), Margarette Morgan (Vista FPD), Janine Sarti (Palomar Health), Dennis Shepard (North County Cemetery District), Others Attending: Harry Ehrlich, LAFCO Consultant; Robert Barry, LAFCO Governmental Analyst and Paul Bushee (Leucadia WWD).

Item 2

Approval of Minutes of December 20, 2013

ON MOTION of Brian Brady, seconded by Judy Hanson, and approved unanimously by the Committee members present. The Committee dispensed with reading the December 20, 2013 minutes and approved said minutes.

Item 3

Consultant's Recommended Agenda Revisions

Harry Ehrlich indicated there are no revisions to the Agenda Items presented at today's meeting but wanted to introduce the following district representatives in attendance: David Barnum, Rich Hannasch, and Ricardo Soto from Ramona MWD; and Jim Kirkpatrick, Lakeside FPD.

Item 4

Public Comment

There were no members of the public requesting to speak.

Item 5

Review Draft Ramona Municipal Services Review Report

Harry Ehrlich provided a PowerPoint presentation and draft report regarding the Ramona Municipal Water District as part of LAFCO's Five-Year Sphere of Influence and Municipal Service Review Program. He indicated that this presentation will highlight

and review some of the details and concerns from the report. Mr. Ehrlich requested input from the Committee and informed them that their recommendations related to the report will be presented to the Commission.

Mr. Ehrlich informed the Committee that the following issues were addressed at the LAFCO Commission meeting held on June 3, 2013: 1) Governance/ Communication/ Community Transparency; Development of the San Vicente Water Reclamation Facility; Compliance with Propositions 26 and 218 in establishing fees and charges for services; Emergency evacuation routes and response plans; Sewer connection and capacity fees; and the District's consideration of alternative service methods and capabilities.

Mr. Ehrlich informed the committee members that since last year's meeting, LAFCO staff has met with interested parties and conducted additional review of associated issues. After discussion from the committee members; district representatives and public members present, the Committee made the following recommendations to the Commission:

ON MOTION of Judy Hanson, seconded by Terry Thomas, John Pastore requesting to abstain, and the remaining members present were in favor to make the following recommendations to the Commission:

- 1) Seek a coordinated sewer service delivery method and governance structure within the Ramona MWD area and not consider the formation of a separate service agency overlapping the MWD; and
- 2) To approve the sphere review, MSR, and associated determinations presented in the staff report; and
- 3) To focus upon providing sewer and recycled water service in the Montecito Ranch development within the existing Ramona MWD sewer system structure; and
- 4) For the Ramona MWD Board of Directors to take action to address the situation of a long-term absence of one of the members of the Board of Directors.

Item 6

Committee Member / Consultant Announcements

Committee members made announcements and discussed current projects within their districts.

There being no further business to come before the Special Districts Advisory Committee, it was noted that the next meeting is tentatively planned for April 18, 2014, if a meeting is to be held. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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