

**APPROVED
SAN DIEGO LAFCO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MAY 5, 2014**

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There being a quorum present, the meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Andrew Vanderlaan. Also present were: Regular Commissioners – Supervisor Bill Horn; Mayor Sam Abed; Mayor Jim Janney; Special District Member Bud Pocklington; and Special District Member/Vice Chairman John Ingalls. Alternate Commissioners – Special District Member Jo MacKenzie, and City Councilmember Lorraine Wood. LAFCO Staff – Executive Officer Michael Ott, Local Governmental Analyst Robert Barry, Local Governmental Consultant John Traylor; Legislative Consultant Harry Ehrlich; Legal Counsel Thomas Bosworth; Absent were: Regular Commissioners - Supervisor Dianne Jacob; and Councilmember Lorie Zapf. Alternate Commissioners – Public Member Harry Mathis; Supervisor Greg Cox and Councilmember Sherri Lightner.

Item 1

Roll Call

The Commission Secretary performed the roll call for the May 5, 2014, LAFCO meeting.

Item 2

Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held April 7, 2014

On motion of Commissioner Pocklington, seconded by Commissioner Horn, and carried unanimously by the Commissioners present; the Commission dispensed with reading the minutes of April 7, 2014 and approved said minutes.

Item 3

Executive Officer's Recommended Agenda Revisions

Chairman Andrew Vanderlaan asked the Executive Officer if there were any agenda revisions. Executive Officer Michael Ott indicated that there were no agenda revisions.

Item 4

Commissioner / Executive Officer Announcements

Chairman Vanderlaan asked the Commission and Executive Officer if there were any agenda announcements. Michael Ott announced the presence of Chief, Bill Metcalf and recognized his current position as the President and Chairman of the Board of the International Fire Chief's Association. Mr. Ott also announced that the Commission Agenda for June will be fairly large and Commissioners should allocate sufficient time for the meeting.

Item 5

Public Comments

Chairman Vanderlaan asked the public if anyone requested to speak on an item that is not related to the agenda. He indicated that there was one speaker slip received from a member of the public.

Jack Griffiths, a private citizen, requested to speak to the Commission about the reorganization of the Rainbow Municipal Water District and the Fallbrook Public Utility District and that he does not support it and also encouraged the Commission not to support it.

Item 6

Five Year Sphere of Influence and Service Review: North County Fire Protection 71 .District (MSR/SR 13-53) and Vista Fire Protection District (MSR/SR 13-54)

Commissioner Vanderlaan opened the public hearing for Item 6.

John Traylor, Local Governmental Consultant provided a presentation for the North County and Vista Fire Protection Districts (FPD) to the Commission. Mr. Traylor informed the Commission about the Districts' overall services, governance, area coverage and sphere status. He indicated that the recommendation for the North County FPD is to amend the sphere of influence to exclude approximately 2,815 acres identified as Area A on Map 1 of the report and to affirm the larger-than-district sphere. He indicated the recommendation for the Valley Center FPD is to affirm a larger-than-district sphere of influence per Map 2 of the report.

Chairman Vanderlaan closed the public hearing.

On motion by Commissioner Horn and seconded by Commissioner Abed, and carried unanimously by the commissioners present, the Commission took the following actions:

- (1) Amend and affirm the larger-than-district sphere for North County FPD; and (2) affirm a larger-than-district sphere for the Vista FPD bringing these local agencies into compliance with State Law [Government Code § 56425(g)] and San Diego LAFCO Policy L-102, which require review of all spheres at five-year intervals;
- (2) Find in accordance with the Executive Officer's determination that pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, sphere amendments and affirmations are not subject to the environmental impact evaluation process

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 and the activity is not subject to CEQA;

- (3) Find in accordance with the Executive Officer's determination that pursuant to Section 15306 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the service review is not subject to the environmental impact evaluation process because the service review consists of basic data collection, research, management, and resource evaluation activities that will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. This project is strictly for information gathering purposes as part of a study leading to an action which has not yet been approved, adopted, or funded;
- (4) For the reasons set forth in the 2012 Five-Year Sphere of Influence and Service Review, adopt the written statements on file specifying the functions and classes of services and (1) amend and affirm a larger-than-district sphere for North County FPD; and (2) affirm a larger-than-district sphere for the Vista FPD; and
- (5) Adopt the written Statements of Determinations as shown in Exhibit A.

Item 7

Five Year Sphere of Influence and Service Review:

City of Coronado (MSR/SR 13-102);

City of Imperial Beach (MSR/SR 13-107); and City of National City (MSR/SR 13-110)

Robert Barry provided a brief presentation to the Commission on the Five-year Sphere of Influence and Service Review for three incorporated cities in southern San Diego County which include the cities of Coronado; Imperial Beach and National City. Mr. Barry indicated that each of the three cities did not request any changes or amendments to their adopted spheres of influence.

On motion by Commissioner Pocklington and seconded by Commissioner Janney, and carried unanimously by the commissioners present, the Commission took the following actions:

- (1) Find in accordance with the Executive Officer's determination that pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, sphere affirmations are not subject to the environmental impact evaluation process 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 and the activity is not subject to CEQA.
- (2) Find in accordance with the Executive Officer's determination that pursuant to Section 15306 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the service review is not subject to the environmental impact evaluation process because the service review

consists of basic data collection, research, management, and resource evaluation activities that will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. This project is strictly for information gathering purposes as part of a study leading to an action which has not yet been approved, adopted, or funded.

- (3) For the reasons set forth in the 2012 Five-Year Sphere of Influence and Service Review, (1) affirm a larger-than-city sphere for the City of Coronado; (2) affirm a coterminous sphere for the City of Imperial Beach; and, (3) affirm a larger-than-city sphere for the City of National City.
- (4) Adopt the written Statements of Determinations as shown in Exhibit A and direct the Executive Officer to implement minor technical changes to the subject cities' spheres to better coordinate GIS information regarding incorporated boundaries.

Item 8

May 2014 Legislative Status Report

Harry Ehrlich, Legislative Director provided a brief report to the Commission regarding the current Legislative activity and requested approval from the Commission to send letters of support on the following bills: AB 2156; AB 2762; and AB1521.

On motion by Commissioner Pocklington and seconded by Commissioner Abed, and carried unanimously by the commissioners present, the Commission took the following actions:

Receive, discuss, and provide direction, as necessary, on the May 2014 Legislative Report including authorization to send letters of support as outlined in the report.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m. to the June 2, 2014 meeting, in Room 302, County Administration Center.

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