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Adjourn

San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission

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John Ingalls Santa Fe Irrigation District

AGENDA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Note: Location at San Diego LAFCO Office 9335 Hazard Way, Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92123

FRIDAY, December 20, 2013, 9:30 A.M.

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Agenda Item:

Welcome and Roll Call

Approval of Minutes of Meeting held November 15, 2013

Consultant's Recommended Agenda Revisions 3.

Committee Member / Consultant's Announcements

Public Comment

Opportunity for persons to speak to the Committee on any subject within the Committee's jurisdiction, but not an item on today's agenda. Each speaker's presentation may not exceed 3 minutes.

Election of Advisory Committee Officers for 2014

Update on current LAFCO and Special Districts **Projects**

Adjournment to the January 17, 2014 Meeting Date if 8.

necessary.

Executive Officer

Michael D. Ott

Counsel

Thomas Bosworth

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 15, 2013 MEETING

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), Jim Archer (Alpine FPD), Brian Brady (Rainbow MWD), Gary Croucher (Otay Water District) (arrived at 9:35 a.m.), Judy Hanson (Leucadia WD), Bill Haynor (Whispering Palms CSD), Jon Lorenz (Lakeside FPD) (arrived at 9:35 a.m.), Margarette Morgan (Vista FPD), John Pastore (Rancho Santa Fe CSD), Janine Sarti (Palomar Health), Augie Scalzitti (Padre Dam MWD), Terry Thomas (South Bay ID) and Kimberly Thorner (Olivenhain MWD). Absent were: **Committee Members:** Tom Bumgardner (Valley Center Parks & Recreation District), and Dennis Shepard (North County Cemetery District). Others Attending: Michael Ott, LAFCO Executive Officer, Harry Ehrlich, LAFCO Consultant and Ingrid Hansen, LAFCO Chief, Governmental Services.

Item 2

Approval of Minutes of August 16, 2013

ON MOTION of Jim Archer, seconded by Judy Hanson, and approved by the Committee members, the Committee dispensed with reading the August 16, 2013 amended 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.

Item 4

Committee Member / Consultant Announcements

Harry Ehrlich introduced Alyssa Dronenburg, LAFCO's newest staff member to the Committee.

Item 5

Public Comment

Chairman Pocklington informed the committee that the next item to be discussed will have members of the public requesting to speak.

Mr. Ehrlich indicated those requesting to speak are representatives of the districts involved and the property owner. Comments will be made after the presentation from the representatives present.

Item 6

Update on "Meadowood Reorganization" (Valley Center Municipal Water District (Ref. Nos.: RO12-11(a); SA12-11(b); and SA12-11(c)

Ingrid Hansen, Chief, Governmental Services provided a presentation to the committee about the most recent updates and issues regarding the "Meadowood Reorganization" project. LAFCO is requesting input and recommendations from the committee members before presenting the proposal to the Commission in the upcoming year.

Ms. Hansen indicated the reorganization involves annexation and detachments from the following districts: Valley Center Municipal Water District; San Luis Rey Municipal Water District (MWD); County Water Authority; Metropolitan Water District; North County Fire Protection District and CSA No. 135 fire and emergency medical services zone. The project covers 390 acres of vacant/uninhabited land. Approximately, 267 acres of that amount is proposed for development. Ms. Hansen informed the committee that the terms and conditions pertaining to the reorganization have been proposed by some of the districts. She indicated the San Luis Rey District is requesting detachment fees to be paid consisting of two one-time payments: the first is for 30 years of water standby assessments totaling \$146,400.00; the second is for 30 years of property tax revenue totaling \$33,469.20. Ms. Hansen also indicated the San Luis Rey MWD is in opposition to a transitional sphere.

Michael Ott, Executive Officer explained to the committee LAFCO's authority and regulations related to the terms and conditions submitted to LAFCO by San Luis Rey MWD.

Wesley Milliband, legal counsel for San Luis Rey District, provided information to the committee on San Luis Rey MWD's terms and conditions for this proposal. Mr. Milliband explained what the MWD's concerns are regarding LAFCO'S recommendations of a transitional sphere of influence and disapproval of San Luis Rey MWD's request for monetary detachment fees. Mr. Milliband also discussed the agricultural importance of the property and LAFCO's responsibility to protect prime agricultural and open space lands.

Jimmy Ayala, representative of the property owner, Pardee Homes, requested to speak. Mr. Ayala informed the committee that the project was approved by the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors in January 2012. He discussed the District's concern that the land is designated as prime agricultural land. He indicated that the land is zoned as residential and there will be some areas of the project that will be open space. Mr. Ayala also informed the committee that currently the San Luis Rey MWD does not

provide any services to the property and therefore, their request for detachment fees is inappropriate.

Committee member, Gary Croucher expressed his thanks to LAFCO staff. He acknowledged their expertise, information they provide to the districts and their professionalism regarding the LAFCO process and services provided over the years. Mr. Ott indicated that according to the Committee's Rules, Gary Arant could participate but not vote on the Meadowood Reorganization.

After further discussion amongst the committee members, LAFCO staff, and the representatives present, the committee made the following recommendations for the Meadowood Project, associated sphere amendments, and the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Agencies Providing Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water in the Bonsall and Pala Hydrologic Subareas:

On Motion by Kimberly Thorner, seconded by Augie Scalzitti, with Brian Brady and Gary Arant abstaining, and all remaining members present were in favor:

1. The Terms and Conditions requested by the San Luis Rey MWD cannot be imposed by LAFCO.

On Motion by Kimberly Thorner, seconded by John Pastore, with Brian Brady and Gary Arant abstaining, and all remaining members present were in favor:

2. There is no sufficient justification for San Luis Rey MWD to receive detachment fees.

On Motion by Gary Croucher, seconded by Terry Thomas, with Brian Brady and Gary Arant abstaining, and all remaining members present were in favor:

3. The Meadowood property should be removed from San Luis Rey MWD'S sphere of influence.

On Motion by Margarette Morgan, seconded by Jon Lorenz, with Brian Brady and Gary Arant abstaining, and all in favor of the remaining members present:

4. The non-contiguous portion of San Luis Rey MWD should be removed from the District's sphere and placed in Rainbow MWD's sphere.

On Motion by John Pastore, seconded by Jim Archer, with Brian Brady and Gary Arant abstaining, and all in favor of the remaining members present:

5. There is no recommendation for the potential annexation of the Meadowood Project site to the Valley Center Community Services District.

Item 7 Review of Pending Legislation Impacting LAFCO's

Harry Ehrlich provided a brief update to the committee members regarding recent legislative activity levels since adjournment. Mr. Ehrlich informed the Committee that the legislature will resume on January 3, 2014. He also provided the current Commission status and information on the following bills: AB1427 (*The Assembly Omnibus Bill*), AB743 (*CKH Act – Island Annexation Sunset*), and AB115 (*Grant funding to Small Water Systems*).

Item 8 Other Current LAFCO and Special Districts Projects

During a roundtable discussion, all committee members present provided current projects and activities 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 December 20, 2013, if a meeting is to be held. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Ruth Arellano Administrative Assistant



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TO:

Special Districts Advisory Committee

Members FROM:

Harry Ehrlich; LAFCO Special Districts Consultant

RE:

Selection of Committee Officers for the Special Districts

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Dear Advisory Committee Members:

The Special Districts Advisory Committee Rules (Rules) provide for selection of the Committee Officer positions of Chair and Vice-Chair at the December meeting, if held, or as soon as possible thereafter. In prior years, the Committee has selected Officers after a member election but now those elections are held every other year. Therefore it is recommended to select the Officers annually at your December meeting.

Your current Officers are Chairman Tom Pocklington and Vice-Chair Kimberly Thorner. Each has expressed an interest in continuing to serve at the pleasure of the Committee. At the December 2013 meeting, nominations will be accepted from the Committee for the Officer positions and all members are qualified to be nominated.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me to have them addressed. LAFCO staff anticipates 2014 to be a busier year for the SDAC so we look forward to serving the role of the SDAC and Commission.

Sincerely,

HARRY EHRLICH, SDA

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Local Government Consultant

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February 21, 2014

March 21, 2014

April 18, 2014

May 16, 2014

June 20, 2014

July 18, 2014

August 15, 2014

September 19, 2014

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