

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
OCTOBER 15, 2010 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), Judy Hanson (Leucadia WD), Douglas Humphrey (Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County), Larry Jackman (San Miguel Consolidated FPD), Ron Fuller (Alpine FPD); Augie Scalzitti (Padre Dam MWD), John Pastore (Rancho Santa Fe CSD), Terry Thomas (South Bay Irrigation District), Gary Croucher (Otay Water District), Richard Williamson (Borrego Water District). Absent were: **Committee Members** - Margarette Morgan (Vista FPD), Jim Poltl (Vallecitos WD), Dennis Shepard (North County Cemetery District), Kimberley Thorner (Olivenhain MWD), Diana Towne (Rincon del Diablo, MWD). Attending: Michael Ott, Executive Officer, LAFCO, Harry Ehrlich, LAFCO Consultant, and no members of the public were present.

**Item 2**

**Approval of Minutes of February 19, 2010**

ON MOTION of Terry Thomas, seconded by John Pastore, and unanimously approved by the remaining Committee members, the Committee dispensed with reading the February 19, 2010 minutes and approved said minutes.

**Item 3**

**Consultant's Recommended Agenda Revisions**

Harry Ehrlich indicated there are no revisions. He announced to the Committee that a PowerPoint presentation would be given on Items 6 and 7.

**Item 4**

**Committee Member/Consultant's Announcements**

Mr. Pocklington requested Committee members to make announcements on matters associated with their districts and areas of responsibility.

Member Terry Thomas commented on the Registrar of Voters new website capabilities at [www.sdvote.com](http://www.sdvote.com). She recommended viewing the website in regards to financial disclosures.

**Item 4**

**Committee Member/Consultant's Announcements (cont.)**

Michael Ott made a brief announcement to the Committee that Harry Ehrlich was awarded the "Outstanding Professional of the Year 2010" by CALAFCO at their annual conference held in the beginning of October. The Committee congratulated Mr. Ehrlich and he thanked Mr. Ott and the Committee for their collaborative efforts made throughout the past year.

**Item 5**

**Public Comment**

No members of the public were present and therefore no one requested to speak.

**Item 6**

**Review of 2010 Legislation Relating to LAFCO**

Harry Ehrlich presented current activity on legislative bills to the committee. The bills Mr. Ehrlich reviewed with the committee members were: AB419 (Local government organization); AB1668 (Local government: city councils); AB1859 (Local government: change of organization or reorganization); AB2795 (Omnibus Bill); SB 194 (Community Equity Investment Act of 2010); SB 894 (Committee on Local Government); AB 155 (Local government: Bankruptcy proceedings); AB711 (Local agency formation commissions: Cost of incorporation proceedings); AB 2530 (Extending the Williamson Act); SB 1023 (Special districts: consolidation and reorganization); SB 1174 (Land use: General plan); AB 194, AB 827, AB 1955 and AB 1987 (Retirement, employment and compensation); AB 2064 (State and local government: salary disclosure); AB 2776 (Transfers of water: agricultural use to municipal use); and SB 501 (Local government: compensation disclosure). Harry Ehrlich informed the committee that he would keep them updated on future legislative activity.

**Item 7**

**Review of Implementation of Legislative Policy L-107 – Jurisdictional Conflicts Associated with Proposed Development**

Harry Ehrlich informed the committee members that the Commission approved Policy L-107 in May 2010. He shared with the Committee a new form along with the new policy. Mr. Ehrlich indicated LAFCO has not received any applications with the new form since it has been implemented a few months ago. Mr. Ehrlich expressed the importance of communication between applicants and jurisdictional agencies that issues related to services have been resolved before submitting applications to LAFCO. John Pastore

**Item 7**

**Review of Implementation of Legislative Policy L-107 – Jurisdictional Conflicts Associated with Proposed Development (cont.)**

asked who the contact person is for questions or concerns related to property tax transfers. Michael Ott indicated Renee Loewer from the Department of Planning and Land Use is the contact person. Mr. Ott informed the Committee the Department of Planning and Land Use has maintained this responsibility for many years.

**Item 8**

**Review of Implementation of Legislative and Regulatory Guidelines: Water Supply and Availability**

Harry Ehrlich informed the members that earlier this year the Commission approved the Legislative and Regulatory Guidelines covering water supply and availability. Mr. Ehrlich thanked the Committee for its input and he also thanked Gary Croucher for attending the Commission meeting to answer questions from the Commissioners. Harry indicated that the agencies will need to determine whether a reasonable amount of water supply is available.

General comments regarding water issues were made during a roundtable discussion by members Gary Arant, Larry Jackman, Tom Pocklington, Richard Williamson, John Pastore, Terry Thomas, Douglas Humphrey and Gary Croucher. Topics discussed were: ideas for future water resources; transportation of water; water availability; costs; planning and identify future challenges; environmental issues and desalinization.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Special Districts Advisory Committee, it was noted that the next meeting is tentatively planned for November 19, 2010, if a meeting is to be held. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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