

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JULY 20, 2007 MEETING

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DRAFT MINUTES

There being a quorum present, the meeting was convened at 9:30 a.m., by Chairwoman Jo Mackenzie (Vista ID). Attending were: **Committee Members** – Gary Arant (Valley Center MWD), Ron Fuller (Alpine FPD), Judy Hanson (Leucadia WD), Vice Chairman Tom Pocklington (Bonita-Sunnyside FPD), and Dennis Shepard (North County CD). **LAFCO Staff** – LAFCO Consultant Harry Ehrlich; Chief, Governmental Services, Ingrid Hansen; Local Governmental Analysts Robert Barry and Claire Riley. Absent were: **Committee Members** – James Alkire (South Bay ID), Daniel Goldberg (Fallbrook HCD), Trish Hannan (Vallecitos WD), Dr. Hanno Ix (Rincon del Diablo MWD), Keith Lewinger (Fallbrook PUD), John Pastore (Rancho Santa Fe CSD), and Augie Scalzitti (Padre Dam MWD).

Item 1

Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2007

ON MOTION OF Judy Hanson, seconded by Ron Fuller, and carried unanimously by the remaining committee members present, the committee dispensed with reading the minutes of the May 18, 2007 meeting, and approved said minutes.

Item 2

Executive Officer's Recommended Agenda Revisions

Harry Ehrlich indicated that there were no revisions to the agenda.

Item 3

Committee Member/Executive Officer Announcements

Tom Pocklington announced that in November 2007, a ballot-election will be held for property/land owners within the Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Protection District (FPD) to vote on a proposed \$10 increase to the District's special fees. Mr. Pocklington said that property/land owners are currently being charged \$30 for the District's special fees, which would increase to \$40 if approved by voters.

In response to a question from Dennis Shepard, Mr. Pocklington said that a total of approximately 4,000 property/land owners will be given the opportunity to vote on the proposed increase of special fees.

Item 4

Public Comment

No members of the public requested to speak.

Item 5

Status Report on Active Municipal Service Reviews: San Luis Rey Watershed and Borrego Valley Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates

Harry Ehrlich introduced Ingrid Hansen who provided the Committee with an update on the San Luis Rey Watershed Draft Municipal Service Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence Update (SOI) Study.

Ingrid Hansen provided a summary of the background, study process, and current status of the San Luis Rey Watershed Draft MSR/SOI Update Study. She said that the Study was initiated because of increased pressure to develop vacant property along the Interstate 15 and Highway 76 corridor. Ms. Hansen said the subject agencies for the development include Rainbow, San Luis Rey, and Valley Center Municipal Water Districts (MWDs).

Gary Arant, General Manager of Valley Center MWD, provided the Committee with an update on the District's involvement with the MSR/SOI Update Study and the development project. He said that the District is waiting for San Luis Rey's environmental impact report to make any determinations for the development project.

Gary Arant left the meeting at 10:10am.

Robert Barry provided the Committee with an update on the Borrego Valley Municipal Service Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI) Update. Mr. Barry indicated that the Borrego Water District (WD) and the Borrego Springs Park Community Services District (CSD) are the two primary agencies of the MSR/SOI Update Study. He said that the focus of the Update Study is to consider possible consolidation of the agencies in order to provide better groundwater management and more efficient service provision to residents and land owners in the subject area. Mr. Barry said that the Borrego Valley MSR/SOI Update Study is expected to be distributed to affected agencies and the public for a 30-day review and comment period, and consideration by LAFCO in September.

The Committee thanked Ingrid Hansen and Robert Barry for their update on the San Luis Rey Watershed and Borrego Valley Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates.

Item 6

Status of Sphere of Influence (SOI) Study for Special Districts in San Diego County

Harry Ehrlich thanked Claire Riley for her assistance in completing the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Study for Special Districts in San Diego County. He reported that on July 1, 2007, Ms. Riley was promoted to the Local Governmental Analyst position.

Mr. Ehrlich said that the SOI Study for Special Districts will be considered by LAFCO on August 6, 2007. He provided Committee members with a draft summary of their district and requested that they review it and provide LAFCO staff with any comments or revisions.

Item 7

Review and Discussion of Special Districts Advisory Committee Rules (Purpose)

Ron Fuller requested that the rules for the Special Districts Advisory Committee be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Item 8**Update on the 2007 Special Districts Election Process**

Harry Ehrlich provided the Committee with a list of candidates for the 2007 Special Districts Election. He encouraged members to attend the CSDA Quarterly Dinner Meeting on August 16, 2007 for the Candidate's Forum.

Jo MacKenzie encouraged members to attend the CSDA Conference that will be held from October 1-4, 2007 at Monterey California.

Item 9**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Special Districts Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. to the tentatively scheduled meeting on October 19, 2007, if it is to be held.

**Tita Mandapat
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