

# LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION MINUTES

## CITY MEMBERS

David Ayers  
Jim Wadsworth  
Sid Craighead - Alternate

## COUNTY MEMBERS

Joe Neves – Chair  
Jon Rachford - Vice Chair  
Alene Taylor - Alternate

## PUBLIC MEMBERS

Paul Thompson  
Vacant - Alternate

**CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission of Kings County was called to order by the Chairman, Joe Neves, at 4:03 p.m., on August 23, 2006, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers of the Kings County Government Center, located at 1400 W. Lacey Blvd., in Hanford, California.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Joe Neves, Jon Rachford, Paul Thompson, Sid Craighead

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Jim Wadsworth

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bill Zumwalt, Marti Seniff, Pete Moock, LAFCO Counsel

**VISITORS PRESENT:** None

**UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:** None

## MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2006:

The minutes of May 24, 2006 were unanimously approved by the members present on a motion by Commissioners (Craighead / Thompson).

## I. OLD BUSINESS:

None

## II. NEW BUSINESS:

None

## III. LEGISLATION

### A. CALAFCO Legislative Update

Mr. Zumwalt stated that the Bill to extend the time for the island annexations by Cities which was to expire by January 1, 2007 appears to be headed for extension to 2014. He stated that the Bill looks like it's going to pass and wouldn't add any additional territory other than that which is considered as an island or substantially surrounded as of 2000.

**Note: Commissioner Rachford comes in.**

### B. EFFORTS TO REMOVE RECLAMATION DISTRICTS FROM LAFCO

Mr. Zumwalt discussed the Reclamation District Bill that would remove them from LAFCO's oversight. He stated that the item will be discussed at the next CALAFCO conference.

Mr. Moock stated that the reason for this Bill is that there are counties with large number of Reclamation Districts that are not very active and it is difficult to get enough LAFCO members together for a quorum. He stated that the concern is that LAFCO, the local agency would be excluded and then State agencies would step in.

By consensus the LAFCO Commissioners agreed to oppose the Bill if LAFCO's oversight role is transferred to a State agency.

#### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

- A. Correspondence** – Mr. Zumwalt stated that CALAFCO is being more active in their lobbying efforts. He stated that the fees for all LAFCO's are going up based on population. Mr. Zumwalt handed out the CALAFCO Business Meeting Agenda and The Sphere Newsletter.
- B. Commission Appointments – Voting Delegate for 2006 CALAFCO Conference**  
The commissioners appointed Bill Zumwalt as Delegate and Greg Gatzka as Alternate.
- D. Items from the Commission** – None
- E. Staff Comments** – Mr. Zumwalt stated that the City of Hanford has submitted an application to annex their well site across the street from the Square Eights Hall but were planning to exclude it from the annexation which would leave another island. He stated that he would recommend that the City add the Hall so there would not be an island and they are being careful not to create islands. There was discussion that the staff notify Square Eights regarding the recommendation to be annexed into the City and the benefits of being annexed.

#### **V. CLOSED SESSION**

- A. Pending Litigation: The title is: Hanford Citizens for Responsible Planning and Valley Advocates v. Kings County Local Agency Formation Commission, City of Hanford, et al. re Kemp Land Company, Sanchez, et al. [Govt. Code Section 54956.9] No Action Taken.**
- B. Pending Litigation: The title is: Hanford Citizens for Responsible Planning and Valley Advocates v. Kings County Local Agency Formation Commission, City of Hanford, et al. re Lennar/Cambridge, Souza, et al. [Govt. Code Section 54956.9] No Action Taken.**
- C. Pending Litigation: The title is: Hanford Citizens for Responsible Planning and Valley Advocates v. Kings County Local Agency Formation Commission, City of Hanford, and State of California Department of Health Services. [Public Resources Code Section 21167.5] No Action Taken.**

#### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Next scheduled meeting is September 27, 2006 at 3:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
OF KINGS COUNTY**

William R. Zumwalt, Executive Officer

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