

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION MINUTES

CITY MEMBERS

David Ayers
Jim Wadsworth
Bill Woolley - Alternate

COUNTY MEMBERS

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

PUBLIC MEMBERS

Paul Thompson
Vacant - Alternate

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CALL TO ORDER: A special meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission of Kings County was called to order by the Chairman, Joe Neves, at 4:00 p.m., on September 22, 2004, 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, David Ayers

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Jim Wadsworth

STAFF PRESENT: Bill Zumwalt,

VISITORS PRESENT: John Stowe, Hanford Planning Department

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES: None

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2004:

The minutes of September 22, 2004 were unanimously approved by the members present on a motion by Commissioner Ayers and second by Commissioner Rachford.

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I. OLD BUSINESS: None

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II. NEW BUSINESS:

A. LAFCO Case No. 04-06 – City of Hanford Reorganization No. 124. Annexation of territory to the City of Hanford and detachment of the same territory from the Kings River Conservation District and the Excelsior – Kings River Resource Conservation District.

Executive Officer Bill Zumwalt summarized the Executive Officer's Report noting that the proposed reorganization was consistent with the Sphere of Influence adopted for the City and was consistent with the City's general plan and pre-zoning and that all of the required findings could be made in a positive manner. He also noted that the City had the capacity to provide all necessary public services for the territory which was proposed to be developed into 61 single-family residences. Mr. Zumwalt recommended that the Commission approve the resolution attached to their report which will approve the reorganization.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rachford, and seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to adopt Resolution No 04-09 approving LAFCO Case No. 04-06, the City of Hanford Reorganization No. 124.

AYES: Commissioners Rachford, Thompson, Ayers, Neves
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Wadsworth

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III. LEGISLATION

- A. Update on AB 2306:** Mr. Zumwalt stated that Sen. Torlakson sent a letter thanking the Commission for its support of his opposition to AB 2306, which resulted in an un-codified law that gave Simi Valley and Ventura County two years to settle their differences or the issue went back to Ventura LAFCO. The legislation as proposed would have prohibited LAFCO's from placing any conditions on an annexation, thus eliminating LAFCO's ability to perform their principle function, ensuring logical extensions of city and special districts boundaries.
- B. SB 1266 (Torlakson, Assembly Member Maze) Island Annexations:** Mr. Zumwalt outlined the changes in the Corteze-Knox-Hertzberg Act associated with island annexations. This bill increases LAFCOs powers enumerated in Section 56375 by allowing LAFCO to approve an island annexation to a city and waive the protest proceedings, after notice and hearing and making several findings. Previously this was limited to islands of 75 acres or less. With the passage of this bill the maximum area is 150 acres.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Correspondence – None**
B. Unscheduled Public Comments – None
C. Items from the Commission – None
D. Staff Comments:

Mr. Zumwalt reported on the CALAFCO conference held in Anaheim September 8 – 10. He reported that Greg Gatzka's CALAFCO logo design had been adopted by CALAFCO. He also reported that CALAFCO requested that LAFCOs attempt to get more commission member representation at the next conference scheduled for September 7 – 9, 2005, in Monterey.

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V. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Next Scheduled Meeting – October 27, 2004** – Next scheduled meeting is September 22, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
OF KINGS COUNTY**

William R. Zumwalt, Executive Officer