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MINUTES  
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
OF MONTEREY COUNTY

Adopted 12/1/14

Monday, September 22, 2014

4:00 p.m.

Board of Supervisors Chambers  
Monterey County Government Center  
168 West Alisal Street, First Floor  
Salinas, California

Roll Call

Members Present

Commissioner Armenta  
Commissioner Darington  
Commissioner Gourley  
Commissioner Orozco  
Commissioner Poitras  
Commissioner Rubio  
Commissioner Salinas  
Commissioner Stephens

Members Absent (Excused Absences)

Commissioners Calcagno, Gunter, Snodgrass.

Members Not Present (Presence Not Required)

None.

Staff Present

Kate McKenna, AICP, Executive Officer  
Leslie J. Girard, General Counsel  
Darren McBain, Senior Analyst  
Gail Lawrence, Clerk to the Commission

Call To Order

The Local Agency Formation Commission was called to order by Chair Pro-Tem Darington at 4:00 p.m. in the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Calcagno led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Publics Comments

Kate McKenna, LAFCO Executive Officer, introduced the local Wells Fargo Bank, South Main Branch Business Banking Management team of Audoro Mellin, Jr., Branch Manager/Vice President, Jeremy Salviejo, Business Relationship Banker, and Raul Figueroa, Broker Associate. LAFCO is in the process of placing its business account with Wells Fargo Bank.

### Publics Comments

There were no Public Comments on items not on the Agenda.

### Consent Calendar

1. Adopt the Draft Minutes of June 23, 2014 .
2. Accept List of Anticipated Future Agenda Items.
3. Approve Register of Checks for May, June, July and August 2014.
4. Approve Amendment No. 5 To Executive Officer's Employment Agreement.
5. Accept Report on Activities of the California Association of Formation Commissions.

There were no Public or Commissioner comments for the Consent Items.

### Commission Action

Upon motion by Commissioner Salinas, seconded by Commissioner Rubio, the Consent Items were approved. Absent: Commissioners Calcagno, Gunter and Snodgrass. Abstain: Commissioner Armenta (who was not present at the September 22, 2014 LAFCO meeting).

### New Business

6. Consider appointments to LAFCO Committees.

There were no Public or Commissioner comments.

### Commission Action

Upon motion by Commissioner Salinas, seconded by Commissioner Rubio, the LAFCO 2014 Committee Appointments were adopted. Absent: Commissioners Calcagno, Gunter and Snodgrass. Abstain: Commissioner Armenta (who was not present at the September 22, 2014 LAFCO meeting).

### Public Hearing

7. Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider the Following Items Pertaining to the City of Gonzales:
  - a. A Draft 2014 Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Study for the City of Gonzales, prepared by LAFCO of Monterey County  
and
  - b. An Application by the City of Gonzales for a Comprehensive Sphere of Influence Amendment. The proposed Amendment would expand the City's Sphere of Influence by approximately 2,038 acres (LAFCO File No. 14-03).

Recommended Action: Adopt a Resolution to:

- i. Find that the *Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Study* is exempt from the Sections 15306 and 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines;
- ii. Approve the *2014 Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Study for the City of Gonzales*;
- iii. Find that, pursuant to CEQA, the City of Gonzales has certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and a subsequently adopted 2014 EIR Addendum that adequately address the potential environmental effects of the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendment; and
- iv. Approve the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendment.

Chair Pro-Tem Darington opened the Public Hearing. There were public comments from Rene L. Mendez, Gonzales City Manager and Tom Truszkowski, Deputy City Manager.

There were Public Comments from Elizabeth Modena, Superintendent, Gonzales City Schools; Amy White, Land-Watch; and Bill Carothers.

There were Commissioner Comments from Commissioners Salinas, Rubio, Orozco and Gourley.

Commissioner Salinas stated that Agenda Item 7 – Subsection 7.3 – (MSR and SOI Study) last page of Attachment 3, Section 8-Tax Sharing, has a typographical error to be changed to read as follows: “the City agrees, to the extent allowed by law that all local taxes, for any annexation that is not consistent with the MOA, shall not accrue to the benefit of the ~~County~~ City.”

Chair Pro Tem Darington closed the Public Hearing.

#### Commission Action

Upon motion by Commissioner Orozco, seconded by Commissioner Rubio, the Commission adopted a Resolution (i) finding that the *Municipal Service Review* is exempt from the Sections 15306 and 15061 (b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines; (ii) Approved the *2014 Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Study for the City of Gonzales* with the following change to Subsection 7.3, Attachment 3, Subsection 8-Tax Sharing to read as follows: “The City agrees, to the extent allowed by law that all local taxes, for any annexation that is not consistent with the MOA, shall not accrue to the benefit of the ~~County~~ ‘City’ ;” (iii) Find that, pursuant to CEQA, the City of Gonzales has certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and a subsequently adopted 2014 EIR Addendum that adequately address the potential environmental effect of the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendment; and (iv) Approved the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendment to expand the City’s Sphere of Influence by approximately 2,038 acres. LAFCO File No. 14-03. Absent: Commissioners Calcagno, Gunter and Snodgrass.

#### Executive Officer’s Report

Executive Officer McKenna gave a report.

#### Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Salinas thanked the Executive Officer for attending and participating in the Special District Training and Mixer, in Greenfield, CA. September 20, 2014.

#### Adjournment to the Next Meeting

\*The next Regular LAFCO meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 1, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

\* Note: the October 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting was canceled.