
EL DORADO LAFCO

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF EL DORADO

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission held September 28, 2022 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Hidahl in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Building A of the Government Center, 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, California. Regular Members present were the following: City Member Jackie Neau, County Members John Hidahl and George Turnboo, Special District Members Brian Veerkamp and Tim White, and Public Member Bill Wilde. Others present were: Alternate City Member Patty Borelli, Alternate District Member Michael Saunders, Alternate Public Member Dawn Hodson, Interim Executive Officer Erica Sanchez, Assistant Policy Analyst Shiva Frentzen, Administrative Assistant Kelly Witt, and LAFCO Counsel Malathy Subramanian.

2. ROLL CALL

VOTING MEMBERS:

Borelli, Neau, Turnboo, Veerkamp, Wilde, White, and Hidahl.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Hidahl opened the item to the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

MOTION

Commissioner Veerkamp moved to adopt the meeting agenda, seconded by Commissioner Turnboo.

ACTION

The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 24, 2022
- B. REVIEW OF CLAIMS

Staff informed the Commission of a minor correction to the August 24, 2022 minutes and noted the corrected minutes were posted on the LAFCO website prior to the meeting.

Chair Hidahl opened the item to the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

MOTION

Commissioner White moved to adopt the consent calendar, seconded by Commissioner Neau.

ACTION

The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

5. PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Hidahl opened the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

6. CONSIDER AND APPROVE LAFCO RESOLUTION L-2022-07 SETTING THE SALARY FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION

Chair Hidahl summarized the Executive Officer Recruitment Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation for the salary range and staff's recommendation that the Commission consider and adopt resolution L-2022-07 to set the salary for the Executive Officer position effective October 3, 2022.

Chair Hidahl opened the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

MOTION

Commissioner Veerkamp moved to adopt LAFCO Resolution L-2022-07 setting the salary for the Executive Officer position, seconded by Commissioner White.

ACTION

The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

7. CONSIDER AND APPROVE EXECUTIVE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH SHIVA FRENTZEN

Chair Hidahl introduced Nancy Kaiser from Municipal Resource Group and informed the Commission of a draft press release and onboarding checklist prepared by Ms. Kaiser.

The recruitment Ad-Hoc committee recommended that the Commission appoint Shiva Frentzen to the position of Executive Officer under the terms set forth in the employment agreement.

Commissioner White inquired about the contents of the MOU with El Dorado County, and Ms. Subramanian clarified the MOU was in regard to staff health benefits and life insurance. Chair Hidahl directed staff to place a copy of the MOU on the LAFCO website and provide a copy to the Commission.

Chair Hidahl opened the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

MOTION

Commissioner Turnboo moved to authorize the Chair to appoint Shiva Frentzen to the position of Executive Officer and approve the employment agreement, seconded by Commissioner White.

ACTION

The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Chair Hidahl directed staff to move forward with the press release announcement.

Ms. Frentzen addressed the Commission to thank them for the opportunity and express her excitement to begin serving as Executive Officer.

8. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE SMALL TO MEDIUM WATER AND WASTEWATER DISTRICTS MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW AND SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (LAFCO PROJECT NO. 2021-02)

Ms. Sanchez reviewed the staff report with the recommendation that the Commission:

1. Receive and discuss the information related to the Small to Medium Water and Wastewater Districts Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update;
2. Open the public hearing on this matter;
3. Accept statutory exemption §15061(b)(3) from environmental review as the appropriate environmental review;
4. Adopt Resolution L-2022-08, adopting the municipal service review and updates to the spheres of influence for the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, the Grizzly Flats Community Services District and the South Tahoe Public Utility District; and
5. Direct staff to complete the necessary filings and transmittals as required by law.

Planwest consultant Krystal Heaney provided an overview of the MSR and discussed the comments received from the Commission and the specific Districts during the public hearing period.

Chair Hidahl opened the public hearing and asked if there were any comments from either the MSR Committee or Commission members.

Commissioner Turnboo and Commissioner Saunders both stated that there are hardships for residents who have lost their homes in Grizzly Flats and the timeframe it will take to implement Grant funds to assist with irrigation fees. Commissioner White mentioned that the completed MSR report reflects that the operating expenses within the Grizzly Flats CSD were higher than revenues over the last five years, and now there are additional costs from the fire. After discussions, Chair Hidahl directed LAFCO to provide a yearly non-audited financial report of the Grizzly Flats Community Service District starting with FY 22-23 (after July 2023).

Chair Hidahl opened the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

MOTION #1

Commissioner Veerkamp moved to adopt staff recommendations the Small to Medium Water and Wastewater Districts MSR/SOI for Georgetown Divide PUD, South Lake Tahoe PUD, and Grizzly Flats Community Services District, seconded by Commissioner Borelli.

ACTION #1

The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

MOTION #2

Commissioner Turnboo moved to approved provision of an annual budget review of the Grizzly Flats CSD, beginning in the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year and a targeted MSR review of the Grizzly Flats CSD within three years, seconded by Commissioner Borelli.

ACTION #2

The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

9. DISCUSSION ON THE FORMATION OF AND MEMBERSHIP TO AN AD HOC REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF PLACERVILLE, CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, AND CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT MSR-SOI STUDY (LAFCO PROJECT NO. 2022-02)

Ms. Frentzen addressed the Commission to recommend that an Ad Hoc Committee be created for preemptory discussion before the MSR/SOI public hearing is set. Commissioner Bass has expressed that he would like to be on the committee. Commissioners Wilde and Neau asked to be appointed to the committee.

Chair Hidahl opened the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

Chair Hidahl appointed Commissioners Bass, Neau and Wilde to the AD HOC Review Committee for the MSR/SOI Study.

10. UPDATE FROM THE STRATEGIC PLANNING AD HOC COMMITTEE

Chair Hidahl updated the Commission on the Ad Hoc meeting held earlier in the day with representatives from the Fire Chiefs' Association to discuss the format, expectations and potential outcomes for the Fire Summits. Next steps include a follow up meeting of the FCA to discuss preferred solutions and funding options, followed by a presentation by the FCA to the Ad Hoc Committee, then a special LAFCO meeting for concurrence on how to proceed with the Fire Summits in the West Slope and Tahoe Basin.

Chair Hidahl opened the public forum. No member of the public addressed the Commission.

Tim Cordero, EDC Fire Chiefs' Association Chair and El Dorado County Fire Protection District Fire Chief, expressed appreciation to LAFCO and the committee members to keep the Fire Summit at the forefront and to look at supplemental funding by the County.

Maurice Johnson, El Dorado Hills Fire Chief, thanked the Commission for continuing the conversation and LAFCO staff for its assistance with past reorganization efforts.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

A. LEGISLATION

B. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Saunders announced that Georgetown Divide PUD has hired a new General Manager, Nicholas Schneider.

Commissioner White gave update on the County Charter Review Committee. Next meeting is October 10, 2022.

Commissioner Veerkamp gave update on potential El Dorado Irrigation District action for Improvement District 34M (Hidden Lake).

Commissioner Turnboo reported on El Dorado County Water Agency is working on a stormwater resource plant.

C. COUNSEL REPORT

D. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

Ms. Sanchez addressed the Commission to express her appreciation for the opportunity to serve as Interim EO for the past year, and for the support received from the Commission, incoming Executive Officer Shiva Frentzen, and LAFCO Counsel Mala Subramanian.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hidahl moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled LAFCO meeting will be October 26, 2022.

**APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION
AUTHENTICATED AND CERTIFIED**

Shiva Frentzen, Executive Officer

Chair Hidahl

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