

# EL DORADO LAFCO

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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## *AGENDA OF JANUARY 22, 2014*

### *REGULAR MEETING*

**TO:** Don Mette, Chairman, and  
Members of the El Dorado County Local Agency Formation  
Commission

**FROM:** José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer

**PREPARED BY:** Erica Sanchez, Policy Analyst

**AGENDA ITEM #10:** **DISCUSSION ON ROSENBERG'S RULES OF ORDER AND  
CONSIDERATION OF THEIR ADOPTION AS THE GENERAL  
GUIDE FOR CONDUCTING LAFCO MEETINGS**

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission receive the attached *Rosenberg's Rules of Order: Simple Rules of Parliamentary Procedure for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* and provide direction to staff on whether or not to amend the Commission's Policies to adopt *Rosenberg's Rules* in place of *Robert's Rules of Order*.

#### **REASON FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION AND BACKGROUND**

*Rosenberg's Rules of Order*, authored by Superior Court Judge David Rosenberg, outlines alternative public meeting procedures that can be adopted and used in lieu of the commonly used *Robert's Rules of Order*. Both sets of rules address procedures for the rights and obligations of the Commission and those of the public during a Commission Meeting; however, *Rosenberg's Rules* are accepted by some as more practical, easy to learn and user-friendly.

Per El Dorado LAFCO Policy 1.9.3: *Robert's Rules of Order* is the general guide for conducting meetings and will be used to resolve points of order.

This item was brought before the Commission for discussion only at the October 23, 2013 meeting. Chair Mette and Commissioner Laine requested the item be brought back for additional discussion and possible action at the January meeting. This item has been agenzized so that the Commission may take action to adopt *Rosenberg's Rules of Order* in place of *Robert's Rules*, if the Commission so desires.

#### **Attachments**

Attachment A: Rosenberg's Rules of Order: Simple Rules of Parliamentary Procedure for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century