

# EL DORADO LAFCO

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LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

## *AGENDA OF MAY 27, 2026*

### *REGULAR MEETING*

**TO:** Michael Saunders, Vice Chair, and  
Members of the El Dorado County Local Agency Formation  
Commission

**FROM:** Erica Sanchez, Assistant Executive Officer

**AGENDA ITEM #2:** Interview, Select and Appoint the Public Member to LAFCO

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission select and appoint a Public Member to serve on LAFCO for a four-year term from May 2026 through May 2030.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Commission includes one Public Member and one Alternate Public Member. The Public Member serves as a voting member of the Commission and represents the interests of the residents of El Dorado County. To be eligible for appointment, applicants must be residents and registered voters of El Dorado County and may not hold office or employment with the County, a city, or a special district within El Dorado County.

A notice of vacancy for the Public Member position was posted and distributed on April 13, 2026, and applications were accepted through May 18, 2026. The Commission will interview applicants at its May 27 meeting, followed by a public ballot vote.

A total of four applications were received for the Public Member position. The candidates to be interviewed are: John Davey, C.J. Freeland, Andrew Vonderschmitt, and Bill Wilde (incumbent). Candidate application materials are included as Attachment A.

#### **Selection Process**

The Public Member is appointed by the other six Commissioners (Government Code §56325(d)). Selection of the Public Member requires affirmative votes from at least one City, County, and Special District member seated on LAFCO. The applicant receiving four (4) or more votes in the required categories shall be appointed.

#### **Interview Process**

Applicants will wait in the lobby and be called individually in alphabetical order. The Vice Chair will open each interview by asking the applicant to state their name and place of residence. Each applicant will then have an opportunity to provide a brief statement about themselves, followed

by questions from Commissioners and Alternates, who will take turns asking questions related to the position. This process will continue until all applicants have been interviewed.

### **Voting Process**

Following the interviews, a written ballot vote will be conducted. Ballots listing the names of all applicants and Commissioners will be distributed to voting members of the Commission. Voting members will complete their ballots (Attachment B) and pass them to the Vice Chair, who will hand them to staff for tallying. Staff will announce each vote and the results, and indicate whether a runoff vote is required.

In the event of a tie vote, or if no candidate receives the required City, County, Special District votes for appointment, a runoff vote will be conducted. The results of each ballot are a matter of public record and will be available upon request. Ballots will be retained for six months.

### Attachments:

Attachment A: Public Member Applications

Attachment B: Voting Member Ballot

Attachment C: Policy 1.3.1 Membership

April 17, 2026

**El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission**

1190 Suncoast Ln, Suite 11  
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

Dear Members of the El Dorado LAFCo Commission, and Executive Officer Frentzen,

I am writing to respectfully apply for the Public Member vacancy on the El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission. As a 30-year resident of El Dorado Hills, I have developed a deep commitment to thoughtful, community-centered governance, and I believe my volunteer background and civic experience make me well-suited to serve in this role.

Throughout my time in El Dorado Hills, I have had the privilege of serving in several volunteer leadership roles with local agencies and special districts. I currently serve as Chair of the El Dorado Hills Area Planning Advisory Committee, President of the Bass Lake Action Committee (a 501(c)(4) general benefit non-profit), and Chair of the El Dorado Hills Community Services District LLAD Advisory Committee. These roles have given me direct, hands-on experience working with local governmental bodies, understanding how services are delivered to residents, and advocating for the public interest in planning and land use matters.

I understand that LAFCo is a state-mandated regulatory agency, independent from county government, with countywide jurisdiction over local governmental boundaries and service delivery. Its core mission is to promote the orderly and efficient provision of public services. The Commission carries out this mission by reviewing and approving boundary changes such as annexations, detachments, incorporations, and special district formations or dissolutions. LAFCo also establishes and maintains spheres of influence for cities and districts, reviews contractual service agreements, and may proactively initiate reorganization proposals when doing so serves the public interest. As a public member, I understand my role is to represent the interests of the community as a whole, distinct from the perspectives brought by city, county, or special district representatives, and to bring an objective, resident-centered viewpoint to the Commission's deliberations.

My motivation for seeking this appointment mirrors the same goal that has guided all of my community volunteer efforts: to help achieve the most efficient and beneficial outcomes for our residents. I have attended LAFCo meetings both in person and by recording over many years, and I am familiar with the Commission's process and the types of decisions it faces. I am committed to bringing informed, impartial judgment to those decisions on behalf of the broader El Dorado County community.

Thank you sincerely for your consideration. I would welcome the opportunity to contribute to the important work of El Dorado LAFCo and to serve the residents of our county in this capacity.

Sincerely,

**John M. Davey**  
3907 Watsonia Glen Dr  
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762  
(530) 676-1868  
jdavey@daveygroup.net



## Application for Appointment Public Member

*(Attach separate sheet(s), if needed)*

<b>POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING</b>	Public Member Vacancy		
<b>NAME</b>	John M Davey		
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
<b>ADDRESS</b>	<i>Residence</i> 3907 Watsonia Glen Dr El Dorado Hills, CA, 95762		
	<i>Business</i> I am a fully a remote employee. Our corporate address is 3035		
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	5306761868		9167528183
	<i>Residence Number</i>		<i>Business Number</i>
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS</b>	jdavey@daveygroup.net		
<b>EDUCATION BACKGROUND</b>	Christian Brothers High School		
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b> <i>(A resume may be attached, if desired)</i>	Bucheli Inc DBA CheapInsurance.com Information System Admin 1998 - Current Pride Industries 1994-1998 Warehouse Division Manager Georgia Pacific 1989-1993 Warehouse/Logistics		
<b>List all other boards, commissions, or committees you are now a member or have been in the past, including dates of service</b>	El Dorado Hills Area Planning Advisory Committee Chair - 2018 through Current Bass Lake Action Committee 501(C)(4) General Benefit Non-Profit President 2016 through Current El Dorado Hills CSD - Chair LLAD Advisory Committee 2022 - Current		
<b>Please list community interests/activities</b>	I serve as the president of the non-profit Bass Lake Action Committee and as the editor of the Monthly Bass Lake Bulletin. I also chair the volunteer El Dorado Hills Area Planning Advisory Committee. I am the Board appointed chair of the El		

<b>Please summarize the qualifications you feel are related to service on the LAFCO Commission</b>	As a 30 resident of El Dorado Hills, I have participated in volunteer roles in two of our local special districts, as well as with several El Dorado County Agencies/Departments . As the president of the non profit Bass Lake Action Committee, we
<b>What is your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the Commission?</b>	As a potential public member of the Commission, I understand that my role is to represent the interests of the community as a whole, distinct from the perspectives brought by city, county, or special district representatives. This means bringing an
<b>Why do you wish to serve on the Commission?</b>	As with all of my community volunteer efforts, my goal is to help achieve the most efficient and beneficial results for our communities and residents.
<b>Have you attended any meetings of the LAFCO Commission?</b>	In person, as well as meeting recordings.

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*I understand that no person appointed as a public member or alternate public member to El Dorado LAFCO may be an officer or employee of the County or any city or district with territory in the County (Government Code Section 56331).*

*I understand that if appointed to El Dorado LAFCO I will be required to comply with FPPC disclosure regulations and file annual statements of financial interests.*

**Signature:** *John Davey*

**Date:** April 17, 2026

Please submit applications to: [lafco@edlafco.us](mailto:lafco@edlafco.us)

Or mail to: El Dorado LAFCO  
1190 Suncast Ln, Suite 11  
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

**The deadline for completed applications is May 18, 2026  
Applications will be kept on file for one year.**



## Application for Appointment Public Member

*(Attach separate sheet(s), if needed)*

<b>POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING</b>	Public Member Commissioner		
<b>NAME</b>	Cynthia (C.J.) J. Freeland		
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
<b>ADDRESS</b>	<i>Residence</i> 2641 Old Meder Road, Rescue (P.O. Box 342)		
	<i>Business</i>		
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	530-391-6449		
	<i>Residence Number</i>	<i>Business Number</i>	
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS</b>	spotdog4us@gmail.com		
<b>EDUCATION BACKGROUND</b>	BA Degree - Communications/Public Relations California State University, Fullerton		
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b> <i>(A resume may be attached, if desired)</i>	Retired 2022 from El Dorado County Long Range Planning. See resume attached.		
<b>List all other boards, commissions, or committees you are now a member or have been in the past, including dates of service</b>	7/2025 to 6/2026 El Dorado County Civil Grand Jury		
<b>Please list community interests/activities</b>	Rescue Community Center Volunteer Shingle Springs Community Center Volunteer El Dorado Gun Club Volunteer		

<b>Please summarize the qualifications you feel are related to service on the LAFCO Commission</b>	Twenty years of public service in local county government with extensive experience in education and land management, particularly regarding grant-funded affordable housing projects. I'm smart and I can work well with others.
<b>What is your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the Commission?</b>	The Public Member should represent local taxpayers. My experience in county government gives me insight into LAFCO's mission. I understand that as a Commissioner I must show up to meetings prepared, on time, and act respectfully.
<b>Why do you wish to serve on the Commission?</b>	I'm interested in local land and resource management and have the time to devote to community service.
<b>Have you attended any meetings of the LAFCO Commission?</b>	No, but I have reviewed past meetings on-line.

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Signature: 

Date: 5/4/2026

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**CYNTHIA (“C.J.”) FREELAND  
P.O. BOX 342, Rescue, CA 95672  
(530) 391-6449**

**EDUCATION:**

Teaching Credential Program, Chapman College  
Bachelor of Arts Degree, Communications/Public Relations, CSU, Fullerton  
Associate of Arts Degree, Sociology, Santa Ana Community College

**EMPLOYMENT:**

2025-2026	<b>El Dorado County Civil Grand Jury</b> Volunteer	
2023-2024	<b>El Dorado County Planning and Building Department</b> Administrative Supervisor – Extra Help	
2023	<b>Cal.net Internet, Shingle Springs CA</b> FAA Communication Grant Consultant	
5/2007 to 7/2022	<b>County of El Dorado</b> <b>Housing, Community and Economic Development (HCED) Programs</b> Program Assistant, Administrative Technician, Department Analyst, Acting Administrative Services Officer, Department Analyst II 5/2007 to 7/2022	
3/2000 to 5/2007	<b>El Dorado County Office of Education</b> <b>Human Resources/Personnel and Child Development Programs</b> Program Assistant, Office Manager 3/2000 to 5/2007	
1975-2000	<b>Julie Clark’s American Aerobatics, Inc. (Air Shows)</b> <b>The Mountain Democrat Newspaper</b> <b>El Dorado County Office of Education</b> <b>DDB Needham Worldwide Advertising</b> <b>Executive Place Magazine, Sacramento</b> <b>Sacramento Savings &amp; Loan</b> <b>Weinstocks Department Store, Sacramento</b> <b>Bower Communications, Advertising/PR</b> <b>Disneyland – Christmas Parade</b>	Project Manager Advertising Consultant Substitute Teacher Account Supervisor Production Manager Advertising Assistant Copywriter Media Director Cast Member/Alice Division

**SELECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Extensive experience in key support of administrators in the coordination and execution of complex duties. Responsible for preparation, organization and performance of project activities for state and federal grant programs with minimal supervision. Prepare and present to El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission. Act as liaison with other departments and agencies within the County, regional agencies, state/federal agencies, and local organizations. Key staff member on the 2008-2013 State-Certified Housing Element Update and lead staff on 2013-2021 State-Certified Housing Element Update for El Dorado County.

**GRANT WRITING AND MANAGEMENT:** Responsible for Housing, Community, and Economic Development Block Grant program and Housing Element administration and implementation including state and federal grant application and management. Successfully prepare and submit grant applications for housing acquisition,

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housing rehabilitation, economic development, planning and technical assistance, public infrastructure, multifamily new construction funds, and long-range planning projects. Awarded and managed over 10 million dollars in state funding. Responsible for management and loan serving for over eighteen million dollars in state and federal grant funded projects. Draft ordinance and policy development, research/analysis, community surveys, and statistical reporting; prepare policy, procedure, and guideline development for state and local governmental approval. Responsible for administration and reporting for CDBG, HOME, CAL FIRE and CalHFA programs.

**ORGANIZATION:** Supervise and coordinate staff and suppliers for major projects while providing clear schedules, budgets and plans to senior management and clients. Research, draft, and implement procedural methods for new and existing programs, including Board Policy and Resolutions. Comfortable and experienced with public speaking, group presentations, and training.

**CREATIVITY:** Successfully apply creative thinking skills to solve problems. Developed award winning public awareness, marketing and fund-raising campaigns and programs utilizing skills in concept, copy writing, design, and layout for magazines, brochures, newsletters, programs, fliers, reports, presentations, direct mail materials and radio and television commercials.

**TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS:**

HOME Underwriting for California, 2009; Labor Relations/Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wage Training, 2009; Economic Development – Underwriting and Restructuring in Today’s Economic Climate Workshop, 2009; HOME for Rent: Developing Multifamily Housing, 2010; Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Statewide Conference 2010; HOME Construction Management, 2011; Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Demographic Data Collection and Analysis, 2013; CDBG Economic Development Roundtable, 2013; Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Workshop – Planning Grants, 2014; Sierra Economic Development Corporation (SEDCorp) Business Owners Survival Strategies Workshop, 2014; California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Institute for Excellence in County Government – Cost Principals, 2014; Introduction to Economic Development – California Association for Local Economic Development (CALED) 2014; How to be an Effective Presenter – CSAC 2014; Communicating and Presenting Complex Information - CSAC Institute for Excellence in County Government 2016; HCD sponsored Non-entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2017; SACOG Workshop - Infill & Redevelopment Workshop 2017; American Planners Association (APA) California Conference - OPR/SGC at APA-CA: Best Practices for State and Local Implementation 2017; APA/SACOG Workshop - Integrating Rural and Urban Planning: Working Together to Support California’s Diverse Communities 2017, Greater Sacramento Economic Council Champions program, Building HOME Webinar Series 2018, USDA Direct 502 Lending Training 2018, American Planning Association – California, Annual Conference in San Diego 2018. California Civil Grand Jury Association New Member Training, 2025, California Civil Grand Jury Association Report Writing, 2025.



## Application for Appointment Public Member

*(Attach separate sheet(s), if needed)*

<b>POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING</b>	Public member		
<b>NAME</b>	Andrew L Vonderschmitt		
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
<b>ADDRESS</b>	<i>Residence</i> 420 Coloma Heights Road, Coloma, CA 95613		
	<i>Business</i> 2889 Ray Lawyer Drive, Placerville, CA 95667		
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	714-390-2107		530-344-5058
	<i>Residence Number</i>		<i>Business Number</i>
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS</b>	andrew.vonderschmitt@gmail.com		
<b>EDUCATION BACKGROUND</b>	Four years undergraduate study at Orange Coast College, no degree.		
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b> <i>(A resume may be attached, if desired)</i>	See attachment 1, A		
<b>List all other boards, commissions, or committees you are now a member or have been in the past, including dates of service</b>	See attachment 1, B		
<b>Please list community interests/activities</b>	See attachment 1, C		

<b>Please summarize the qualifications you feel are related to service on the LAFCO Commission</b>	See attachment 1, D
<b>What is your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the Commission?</b>	Ensures efficient government and prevents urban sprawl by protecting open spaces and agriculture. It also manages local growth, including defining boundaries, handling annexations, and updating services.
<b>Why do you wish to serve on the Commission?</b>	I want to support responsible growth, transparent governance, efficient public services and protection of El Dorado County's rural character and open space.
<b>Have you attended any meetings of the LAFCO Commission?</b>	I have viewed many meetings online but have not attended meetings in person.

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**Signature:** 

**Date:** May15, 2026

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- A. Employment, El Dorado County. Program Director, Arts and Culture El Dorado — 2017-2020; Reporter, Mountain Democrat — 2020-2022; Business Manager, Imagination Theater — 2022-2023; Performing and Media Arts Director, MORE — 2023-2025; Features Editor, Mountain Democrat — 2025-present.
- B. (Select) Leadership El Dorado, Class 13; Placerville Economic Advisory Committee, Member— 2018-2021; Placerville Downtown Association, Member and Vice President — 2017-2019; Imagination Theater, Board of Directors Member — 2020-2023; Save the Graves, Co-Founder and Director —2019-2023; Images of Hope, Board of Directors Member / current President — 2019-present.
- C. I've been deeply involved in the El Dorado County community, focusing on arts, culture, and historic preservation. Key roles include serving on the board for Images of Hope El Dorado and managing programs for Arts and Culture El Dorado, which included expanding arts access and supporting local theater. I'm dedicated to community development through roles on the Placerville Economic Advisory Committee and the Placerville Downtown Association. I also co-founded 'Save the Graves' to protect historic resources and have created public art, including the 'All Colors, All Cancers' installation that can be viewed at the Placerville Bell Tower every October. In my role as features editor at the Mountain Democrat, I advocate for local nonprofits and wildfire recovery.
- D. Through public-interest reporting and civic engagement, I have gained extensive familiarity with El Dorado County communities, agencies, and regional issues. My experience covering local government, land use, and infrastructure aligns with LAFCO responsibilities, providing me with a deep understanding of growth management and public service delivery. I understand the unique needs of the county's incorporated, unincorporated, and rural areas. My involvement in community initiatives and disaster recovery reporting further demonstrates my commitment to local public stewardship. I can evaluate complex issues from a countywide perspective to oversee orderly growth and municipal boundaries. With strong communication skills, I am prepared to assist with transparency and public understanding of LAFCO decisions.



Please summarize the qualifications you feel are related to service on the LAFCO Commission	Participation in the public process as a public official, applicant, and citizen. Familiarity with land use and CEQA from those three roles and other professional activities. Managing outside counsel in commercial & regulatory venues such as the CPUC. My experience as the Public Member has been a great learning experience about LAFCO.
What is your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the Commission?	LAFCO is the gatekeeper for formation and retirement of local government agencies, and for changes in their service areas and spheres of influence, and to insure that these same agencies are operated efficiently.
Why do you wish to serve on the Commission?	I feel very fortunate that my wife and I have been able to live in El Dorado County for decades and to raise our children here. Now that they are grown and we have grandchildren living locally, I want to give back to the County and help us make progress while preserving the way of life we love. Having some experience with LAFCO I am enthusiastic to contribute.
Have you attended any meetings of the LAFCO Commission?	Yes, prior to appointment and since appointment I have attended each meeting with the exception of one I missed due a three day snowstorm delay.

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Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 4/18/2026

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PUBLIC MEMBER BALLOT

Public Member Vote  
May 27, 2026

	CITY		COUNTY		SPECIAL DISTRICT	
	Carter	Jinkens	Turnboo	Veerkamp	Saunders	White
<i>John Davey</i>						
<i>C.J. Freeland</i>						
<i>Andrew Vonderschmitt</i>						
<i>Bill Wilde</i>						

### 1.3 **MEMBERSHIP**

1.3.1 **Membership:** El Dorado LAFCO shall be composed of seven regular members and four alternate members (§56325, §56332). All members must be residents of El Dorado County.

- 1) County: Two members and one alternate from the County Board of Supervisors are selected by that Board (§56325).
- 2) City: Two City Council Members and one alternate are designated by the City Selection Committee (§56325).
- 3) Special Districts: Two members from the Special Districts and one alternate are selected by the Special Districts Selection Committee (§56332).
- 4) Public Member: The Public Member and one alternate Public Member are appointed by the other six Commissioners (§56325(d)) in the following manner:

#### **Application Process** *(Approved July 24, 2002)*

- (a) The vacancy shall be posted by the Clerk of the LAFCO Commission within 20 days after the vacancy occurs (§54974). At the same time notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation and mailed to all cities, the Board of Supervisors, all independent districts, and any member of the public who has requested such notice in writing.
- (b) The application period will run 30 days from the date of posting. Applications with attached resumes shall be submitted to the LAFCO Clerk within 30 days of the date posted.
- (c) If four or fewer applicants apply for the position, the full Commission shall interview the applicants at the next regularly scheduled LAFCO meeting for which notice can be given. All applicants are expected to attend interview sessions.

If five or more applicants apply for the position, the Executive Officer shall transmit the application materials for all of the candidates to the six regular Commissioners. Each Commissioner shall independently select three candidates he or she wants to invite to the interview and independently notify the Executive Officer accordingly. The Executive Officer will tally all of the invitations. The interview process shall proceed according to one of the following two manners:

- i. The four applicants who receive at least two Commissioner invitations shall be interviewed by the full Commission at the next regularly scheduled LAFCO meeting for which notice can be given; or

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- ii. If more than four candidates receive at least two Commissioner invitations, the four candidates who received the most invitations shall be interviewed by the full Commission at the next regularly scheduled LAFCO meeting for which notice can be given.

All applicants are expected to attend interview sessions.

**Selection Process**

- (a) Selection of the public member and alternate public member shall be subject to the affirmative votes of at least one City, County, and District member seated on LAFCO [§56325(d)].
- (b) A written ballot containing the names of all qualified applicants and the names of each Commissioner will be distributed to all voting members of the Commission. The applicant receiving four (4) or more votes in the correct categories shall be appointed.
- (c) In the event of a tie vote, or if one candidate does not receive a majority vote from the Commission, a runoff vote or votes will be conducted.

Results of each ballot will be a matter of public record and be available to the public upon request under the Brown Act and Public Records Act. Ballots will be retained for a period of six (6) months.

- (d) If the alternate public member is selected as the new regular public member, the Commission has the discretion to fill the newly created vacancy in the alternate public member position by appointing someone from the pool of applicants who applied for the regular public member vacancy.

- 1.3.2 **Alternate Commissioners:** Alternate Commissioners are encouraged to take an active role in El Dorado LAFCO business including discussions and deliberations on project proposals, CALAFCO legislative activities and training workshops, interagency coordination and communication, and participation in policy development and other working groups.

Alternate members may vote in place of the regular member who is absent or who disqualifies himself or herself from participating in an action (§56325). An Alternate Commissioner may participate in closed session. However, Alternate Commissioners may not vote or make a motion in closed session when the regular member(s) is (are) present.