

MINUTES OF APRIL 28, 2021

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF EL DORADO

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission held on April 28, 2021 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Palmer by video and teleconference, pursuant to California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, with no physical location available. Members of the public were able to access and participate in the meeting by joining the Zoom webinar at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81754060779?pwd=N3ZVdndjQnlUa0l5S2JscXJNbERKQT09> or by telephone at 1-669-900-9128, referencing Webinar ID: 845 5406 0779 and entering passcode 311753.

Regular Members present were: City Member Jackie Neau, County Member John Hidahl, District Member Tim Palmer and Public Member Michael Powell. Others present were: Alternate City Member Patricia "Patty" Borelli, Alternate County Member George Turnboo, Alternate District Member Michael Saunders, Alternate Public Member Holly Morrison, Executive Officer José C. Henríquez, Assistant Executive Officer Erica Sanchez, and LAFCO Counsel Malathy Subramanian.

Prior to roll call, pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, Chair Palmer made clear for the record of the meeting that members of the Commission would be participating in the meeting by teleconference. In accordance with the Brown Act and Executive Order N-29-20, the teleconference phone number for public participation had been identified in the public notice and agenda for the meeting.

Chair Palmer asked staff to briefly go through some special procedures required by the Brown Act, including the following statements regarding changes to the meeting procedures due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff confirmed:

- There was no physical location for this meeting; the meeting was by virtual teleconference only, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.
- Commissioners would join the meeting via Zoom video conference and all actions would be taken by roll call vote.
- Members of the public had access to the meeting via Freeconferencecall.com and could listen to the meeting live by phone. The phone number and access to the meeting was provided on the meeting agenda.
- Members of the public wishing to make a comment on an item should notify the Executive Officer, who would take down their name and introduce them at the appropriate time. Once called, the member of the public should identify themselves by their name.

2. ROLL CALL**VOTING MEMBERS:**

Borelli, Hidahl, Neau, Powell, Saunders, Turnboo, Palmer.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**MOTION**

Commissioner Neau moved to adopt the Agenda, second by Commissioner Hidahl.

ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Borelli, Hidahl, Neau, Powell, Saunders, Turnboo, Palmer

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 24, 2021

B. REVIEW OF CLAIMS

MOTION

Commissioner Powell moved to adopt the consent calendar, second by Commissioner Neau.

ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hidahl, Neau, Powell, Saunders, Turnboo, Palmer

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Borelli

ABSENT: None

5. PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Palmer opened the public forum and asked the Executive Officer if there were any speakers on this item. Staff confirmed no member of the public requested to address the Commission on this item.

6. CONDUCTING AUTHORITY (PROTEST) HEARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND THE EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (EDCFPD) ISLAND ANNEXATION; LAFCO (PROJECT NO. 2020-01)

Ms. Sanchez reviewed the staff report and recommended that the Commission take the following actions:

1. Summarize the Commission's Resolution Number L-2021-06 making determinations;
2. Open the Conducting Authority proceedings for the El Dorado County Fire Protection District Island Annexation;
3. Accept all valid landowner and registered voter protests;
4. Authorize the Executive Officer to determine the value of written protests filed; and
5. Adopt Conducting Authority Resolution L-2021-10, ordering the annexation if no majority protest is received.

Ms. Sanchez summarized Resolution L-2021-06. Chair Palmer opened the public forum and asked the Executive Officer if there were any speakers on this item. Staff confirmed no member of the public requested to address the Commission on this item.

MOTION

Commissioner Hidahl moved to accept the valid submitted protests and adopt Conducting Authority Resolution L-2021-10, second by Commissioner Neau.

ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Borelli, Hidahl, Neau, Powell, Saunders, Turnboo, Palmer

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

7. PRESENTATION BY FECHTER & COMPANY ON THE LAFCO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20

Craig Fechter, representing Fechter & Company, presented to the Commission their findings on the audit they performed for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Chair Palmer opened the public forum and asked the Executive Officer if there were any speakers on this item.

Tim White, addressed the Commission regarding required supplementary information for the Auditor's Report.

MOTION

Commissioner Neau moved to accept the LAFCO FY 2019-20 Financial Statement, second by Commissioner Hidahl.

ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Borelli, Hidahl, Neau, Powell, Saunders, Turnboo, Palmer

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report, along with the following options presented to the Budget Ad Hoc Committee for consideration and recommendation:

- Scenario A: Draft March Budget – Hire an Assistant Policy Analyst March 1, 2022 (quarter fiscal year), retain an Administrative Assistant for the full year and outsource the small-to-medium water agencies (*Recommended by the Budget Ad Hoc Committee*)
- Scenario B: Hire an Assistant Policy Analyst July 1, 2021 (full fiscal year), retain an Administrative Assistant for the full year and outsource the small-to-medium water agencies
- Scenario C: Hire an Assistant Policy Analyst July 1, 2021 (full fiscal year), retain an Administrative Assistant for the full year but *not* outsource the small-to-medium water agencies
- Scenario D: Hire an Assistant Policy Analyst January 1, 2022 (half a fiscal year), retain an Administrative Assistant for the full year and outsource the small-to-medium water agencies

- Scenario E: Hire an Assistant Policy Analyst January 1, 2022 (half a fiscal year), retain an Administrative Assistant for the full year but *not* outsource the small-to-medium water agencies

Mr. Henriquez recommended that the Commission:

1. Receive the information related to the draft Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22;
2. Re-open the Public Hearing on this matter; and
3. Adopt the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Commissioner Powell clarified that the Budget Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation for Scenario A was the result of a 2-1 vote. His preference was for either Scenario B or Scenario D.

Chair Palmer opened the public forum and asked the Executive Officer if there were any speakers on this item. Staff confirmed no member of the public requested to address the Commission on this item.

MOTION

Commissioner Hidahl moved to adopt Scenario A as the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-21, as recommended by staff and the Ad Hoc Budget Committee, second by Commissioner Saunders.

ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Borelli, Hidahl, Neau, Saunders, Turnboo, Palmer
NOES: Powell
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

9. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. LEGISLATION
- B. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS
- C. COUNSEL REPORT
- D. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Palmer adjourned the meeting at 6:39 PM.

The next regularly scheduled LAFCO meeting will be May 26, 2021.

**APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION
AUTHENTICATED AND CERTIFIED**


Executive Officer


Chairperson