

# EL DORADO LAFCO

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## LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

### MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2019

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF EL DORADO

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission held August 28, 2019 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Frentzen in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Building A of the Government Center, 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, California. Regular Members present were: County Members Shiva Frentzen and Brian Veerkamp, and District Members Holly Morrison and Tim Palmer. Others present were: Alternate District Member Michael Saunders, Alternate Public Member Dyana Anderly, Executive Officer José C. Henríquez, Assistant Executive Officer Erica Sanchez, Assistant Policy Analyst Riley Nork and LAFCO Counsel Kara K. Ueda.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

##### **VOTING MEMBERS:**

Anderly, Morrison, Palmer, Veerkamp, Frentzen

#### 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

##### MOTION

Commissioner Palmer moved to adopt the Agenda, second by Commissioner Veerkamp.

##### ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderly, Morrison, Palmer, Veerkamp, Frentzen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Acuna, Bass

#### 4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 22, 2019
- B. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 26, 2019
- C. REVIEW OF CLAIMS

##### MOTION

Commissioner Veerkamp moved to adopt the consent calendar, second by Commissioner Palmer.

##### ACTION

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Morrison, Palmer, Veerkamp, Frentzen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Anderly

ABSENT: Acuna, Bass

**5. PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

**6. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE**

Mr. Henriquez recommended the item be moved to the end of the agenda. With unanimous consent, the Chair moved the item to the end of the Agenda.

**7. CONSIDER AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF ON LAFCO INITIATING THE CONSOLIDATION OF GARDEN VALLEY, GEORGETOWN AND MOSQUITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS**

Mr. Henriquez reviewed the staff report with the recommendation that the Commission consider the information contained in the report and provide direction to staff on whether LAFCO should initiate the consolidation of Garden Valley, Georgetown and Mosquito Fire Protection Districts. LAFCO has the authority to do so under Government Code Section 56375(a)2(A).

Chair Frentzen opened the public forum.

Clive Savacool, representing Garden Valley Fire Protection District, addressed the Commission on the topic of needing LAFCO action rather than relying on districts to come together to provide a solution.

Maurice Johnson, representing El Dorado Hills County Water District, addressed the Commission on the topic of ongoing conversations between fire districts and the inadequate funding they receive as a result of Prop 13.

Wes Norman, representing Garden Valley Professional Firefighters, addressed the Commission on the topic of strained funding for fire districts on the Divide, and the need for consolidation to help solve this issue.

Barbara Mikel, representing Mosquito Fire Protection District, addressed the Commission on the topic of needing an outside agency in consolidation efforts, and expressed her support for beginning the LAFCO process.

Rick Todd, representing Georgetown Fire Protection District, addressed the Commission on the topic of concerns about forced consolidation, the use of volunteers, and the lack of funding for districts.

Dave Souza, representing Garden Valley Fire Protection District, addressed the Commission on the topic of supporting LAFCO consolidation.

Mike Webb, representing himself, addressed the Commission on the topic of choosing safety over identity, and the support in the community for consolidation efforts.

Lloyd Ogan, representing El Dorado County Fire Protection District, addressed the Commission on the topic of his district's fiscal transformation, consolidation discussions in the past that were unsuccessful, and continuing discussions in the future.

Scott Lindgren, representing CALFIRE, addressed the Commission on the topic of consolidation being the right thing to do, the services that CALFIRE provides, and districts working together.

Don Ashton, representing the El Dorado County Chief Administrative Office, addressed the Commission on the topic of ongoing fire district consolidation discussions in the County, the County's obstacles in providing funding for consolidation efforts, and how the County General Plan relates to fire service.

**MOTION #1**

Commissioner Veerkamp moved to bring back the item in six months, and direct staff to complete the Municipal Services Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates for Garden Valley, Georgetown, Mosquito, and El Dorado County Fire Protection Districts, second by Commissioner Palmer.

**ACTION #1**

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYES: Palmer, Veerkamp  
 NOES: Anderly, Morrison, Frentzen  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: Acuna, Bass

**MOTION #2**

Commissioner Frentzen moved to direct staff to initiate the report to study the consolidation of Garden Valley, Georgetown, and Mosquito Fire Protection Districts, second by Commissioner Anderly.

**ACTION #2**

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYES: Anderly, Morrison, Frentzen  
 NOES: Palmer, Veerkamp  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: Acuna Bass

## **8. RECEIVE AND CONSIDER INFORMATION ON THE CALAFCO BOARD NOMINATIONS AND THE CALAFCO AWARDS**

Mr. Henriquez reviewed the information with the recommendation that the Commission nominate Chair Frentzen as its CALAFCO Voting Member and Commissioner Powell as its Alternate Voting Member.

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

**MOTION**

Commissioner Veerkamp moved to nominate Chair Frentzen as the CALAFCO Voting Member and Commissioner Powell as the Alternate Voting Member, second by Commissioner Palmer.

**ACTION**

The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderly, Morrison, Palmer, Veerkamp, Frentzen  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: Acuna, Bass

## **9. OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. LEGISLATION
- B. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Morrison stated that a new board member has been elected to the Cameron Park Community Services District Board.

Chair Frentzen stated that she may serve on the panel for a Municipal Services Review session at the 2019 CALAFCO Conference.

Commissioner Palmer asked Counsel about serving as a liaison for the Municipal Services Review of the El Dorado County and Georgetown Divide Resource Conservation Districts.

- C. COUNSEL REPORT
- D. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Henriquez stated that the books for fiscal year 2018-19 would soon be closed, and that staff will notify the auditors to start the audit for that year. He also stated that staff will notify the county consultant to calculate the fiscal year's carryover.

**6. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE**

Chair Frentzen administered the Oath of Office to Alternate Special District Member Michael Saunders.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Frentzen adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

The next regularly scheduled LAFCO meeting will be October 23, 2019.

**APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION  
AUTHENTICATED AND CERTIFIED**

  
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Executive Officer

  
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Chairperson