

MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 2006

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF EL DORADO

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission held March 22, 2006, was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Long in the meeting room, Building C of the Government Center, 2850 Fair Lane, Placerville, California.

COMMISSIONERS – PRESENT

Ted Long, City
Carl Hagen, City
Francesca Loftis, Public
Gary Costamagna, District

COMMISSIONERS – ABSENT

Helen Baumann, County
Rusty Dupray, County
Nancy Allen, District

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS – PRESENT

James R. Sweeney, County

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS – ABSENT

Roberta Colvin, City

COMMISSION STAFF – PRESENT

José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer
Erica Frink, Policy Analyst
Elizabeth Baldwin, Clerk to the Commission
Thomas Gibson, LAFCO Counsel

COMMISSION STAFF – ABSENT

ROLL CALL – VOTING MEMBERS

Long, Costamagna, Hagen, Loftis & Sweeney

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- B. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBUARY 22, 2006
- C. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS
- D. AMEND THE COMMISSION'S POLICIES & GUIDELINES TO CONFORM WITH 2005'S AB1746
- E. RATIFY RESOLUTION 2006-03; RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR ALDON R. MANARD

MOTION

Commissioner Costamagna moved to approve Consent Calendar; second by Commissioner Hagen.

ACTION

The motion was supported unanimously.

3. PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Long opened the public forum.

William Stephens, Edio P. Delfino and Greg Boeger, El Dorado County Agricultural Commission, made a brief introductory presentation to LAFCO and its staff and invited Mr. Henríquez and any interested Commissioners to attend an Agriculture Commission Meeting on April 12, 2006.

Commissioner Sweeney would like to have a future discussion on LAFCO, agriculture and the Williamson Act and how LAFCO interfaces with agricultural areas.

4. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE DRAFT MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW OF COUNTYWIDE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report with the following recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Commission continue the Fire Municipal Service Review (MSR) until LAFCO staff is able to produce a final informational study on fire protection services to the Commission.

MOTION

Commissioner Costamagna moved to continue this item until May; second by Commissioner Sweeney.

ACTION

The motion was supported unanimously.

5. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE METHOD OF PREPARATION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEWS

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report with the following recommendations:

1. Receive information regarding the State requirements for municipal service reviews;
2. Receive information regarding the current progress of municipal service reviews performed by El Dorado LAFCO; and
3. Allocate funds in Fiscal Year 2006-07 to outsource the completion of as many municipal service reviews as possible.

Commissioner Sweeney is concerned about the number of districts in the county and suggested first looking at a work program directed at districts or cities first who are most apt to have an annexation coming up in the foreseeable future.

Mr. Henríquez said the process involves looking at specific services provided instead of an agency. One way to address Commissioner Sweeney's concern would be to prioritize certain services that are currently more in demand, thereby affecting the most active agencies. Another option would be to consolidate related services into a single service so that the same active agencies are addressed at the same time. The latter approach would result in the majority of CSDs to be studied.

The Commission discussed what role a contract consultant would take in the process and how LAFCO staff could work with the consultant and the districts.

Commissioner Long suggested putting together a subcommittee that would oversee the process.

MOTION

Commissioner Costamagna moved to approve staff recommendation; second by Commissioner Hagen.

ACTION

The Motion was supported unanimously.

6. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED WORKPLAN FOR FISCAL 2006-7

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report with the following recommendations:

1. Receive the information related to the Proposed Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2006-2007
2. Adopt the Proposed Work Plan for 2006-2007

MOTION

Commissioner Hagen moved to adopt the proposed workplan for 2006/2007; second by Commissioner Costamagna.

ACTION

The Motion was supported unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL 2006-7

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report with the following recommendations:

1. Receive the information related to the draft Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007
2. Adopt the Proposed Budget for 2006-2007

MOTION

Commissioner Costamagna moved to approve staff recommendation; second by Commissioner Loftis.

ACTION

The Motion was supported unanimously.

8. CONSIDER THE SCHEDULING OF AN APRIL SPECIAL MEETING

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report with the recommendation for the Commission to schedule a Special Meeting in April to adopt a final budget.

The Commission discussed alternative dates and arrangements for a special meeting.

Commissioners Sweeney and Long requested not to schedule a special meeting in April and to wait until the next regular meeting on May 24th. Commissioner Long added that this would give the districts ample time to review the proposed budget.

The Commission unanimously agreed.

9. CONSIDER PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 56133

Mr. Henríquez reviewed the staff report with the following recommendations:

1. Receive information from the CALAFCO Legislative Committee's considered changes to Government Code §56133, which delineates the requirements for Out-of-Agency Service Agreements;
2. Provide direction to your Executive Officer on what the El Dorado Commission's position is regarding these changes; and,
3. Direct staff to work with CALAFCO and other LAFCOs to resolve the issues with Government Code §56133 consistent with the Commission's position on this matter.

After a discussion relating to the issues with the current statute and proposed changes, Commissioner Costamagna recommended that the Commission's position on the proposed changes be that Government Code §56133 should remain the same, that any legislative amendments to the code address exceptions as they are presented and moved the staff recommendation.

The Commission unanimously agreed.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Legislation

None

B. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Loftis wished Mr. Henríquez a belated Happy Birthday.

C. Counsel Report

None

D. Executive Officer Report

1. Correspondence

None

2. Budget Report

None

3. Update on the Alternate Special District Representative Election

There are currently four nominees. The election will be held May 5th or until a quorum of ballots are received.

4. Update on the Alternate Public Member Recruitment

The recruitment application period ends March 30, 2006.

5. Consider as appropriate

a. Active Proposals

b. Active MSRs

No Discussion by the Commission.

Mr. Henríquez announced Ms. Baldwin's resignation as Clerk to the Commission and that staff is currently recruiting for her replacement.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Long adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled LAFCO Commission meeting will be May 24, 2006.

AUTHENTICATED AND CERTIFIED

Allison Parsons
Commission Clerk

Ted Long
Chairperson