

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

To The Local Agency Formation Commission

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REPORT DATE: February 25, 2015

FROM: Jurg Heuberger, AICP, CEP, Executive Officer 

PROJECT: Rosenberg's Rules of Order

HEARING DATE: March 26, 2015 **TIME:** 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 12

HEARING LOCATION: El Centro City Council Chambers, 1275 Main Street, El Centro, CA

RECOMMENDATION(S) BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER (In summary & order)

- OPTION #1:** Adopt the attached Rosenberg's Rules of Order as the "rules" for conducting LAFCO meetings/hearings.
- OPTION #2:** Adopt the attached Rosenberg's Rules of Order with modifications for conducting LAFCO meetings/hearings.
- Option # 3:** Take no action.

ANALYSIS

I: Executive Officers Summary:

Historically the LAFCO and many agencies have conducted business under what is commonly referred to as Robert's Rules of Order.

Several years ago, some of you on the Commission as well as LAFCO staff attended a seminar at one of the Annual Conferences titled "Rosenberg's Rules of Order".

Conceptually, both of these "rules" are designed to provide a semblance of order that an agency follows in meetings and hearings.

Robert's Rules of Order have been around for a long, long time and are considered by many as somewhat technically comprehensive and sometimes complicated. Rosenberg's Rules of Order were developed by Judge Rosenberg to be more "user friendly". They are also more usable by smaller agencies.

Most recently the CCL, which was attended by Commissioner West and Executive Officer Heuberger, had another presentation on the use of Rosenberg's Rules of Order. It would appear that a number of LAFCO's, given that they are smaller public agencies, have or are intending to adopt Rosenberg's Rules of Order versus maintaining Robert's Rules of Order.

From the Executive Officer's perspective, Rosenberg's Rules of Order are much more user friendly and easier to follow for a smaller organization such as our LAFCO.

Attached are copies of both Robert's Rules of Order and Rosenberg's Rules of Order.

II: Recommendation of the Executive Officer:

It is the recommendation of the Executive Officer that Imperial LAFCO adopt Rosenberg's Rules of Order as the protocol under which the Commission will conduct business either hearings or meetings.

Option # 1: Adopt Rosenberg's Rules of Order

Option # 2: Adopt Rosenberg's Rules of Order with Modifications

Option # 3: Do not adopt Rosenberg's Rules of Order and continue to use Robert's Rules of Order.

Option # 4: Continue this item to a future meeting.

Attachments: Rosenberg's Rules of Order
 Robert's Rules of Order (summary)
 Robert's Rules of Order (CD)