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### ACTION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR LAFCO HEARING

October 8, 2015

8:30 a.m.

El Centro City Council Chambers 1275 Main Street, El Centro, CA

**VOTING COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** 

Jason Jackson, Chairman

Michael Kelley, Vice-Chairman

Raymond Castillo Don Campbell David West

**ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** 

(NOT VOTING)

Ralph Menvielle

ABSENT:

Jack Terrazas, Alternate

Maria Nava-Froelich, Alternate

**STAFF PRESENT:** 

Jurg Heuberger, Executive Officer

Julie Carter, Accountant Ryan Childers, Legal Council

#### REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAFCO CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:30 A.M.

Approval of Minutes from August 27, 2015.

Motion made by Commissioner Kelley and passed by the roll call vote of Campbell, Jackson, Kelley, and West to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Castillo denied approval by roll call vote.

- 4. Approval of Consent Items:
  - A. Project Report Update

Motion made by Commissioner Kelley and passed by the roll call vote of Campbell, Jackson, Kelley, Castillo, and West to approve the project report as presented.

5. Public Comments: None

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

6. A. Announcements by the Commissioners.

Commissioner Kelley provided an update on the CALAFCO meeting.

Commissioner Kelley was re-elected as a Board of Director. He stated it was a good conference and a lot of information was provided. Commissioner Kelley will continue to represent the Southern Region of California. The first State meeting will be held Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November in Sacramento.

B. Announcements by the Executive Officer.

LAFCO Executive Officer Mr. Heuberger informed the Commission that the 1122 State Street building renovations are in progress and the foundation for the men's restroom has been completed.

#### **ACTION/DIRECTION ITEMS**

7. Discussion/Direction on processing procedures for annexation applications.

Mr. Heuberger summarized the history of the Cortese Knox Hertberg Act of 2000 Gov. Code 56000 et. and emphasized some of the difficulties and delays in processing applications based on these procedures.

Mr. Heuberger stated the LAFCO has since established procedures to streamline the process and to avoid delays and application denials. These procedures have been in place and have been working.

Mr. Heuberger summarized the Executive Officers report and recommended approving Option #1 to continue with the current process.

Motion made by Castillo and passed by roll call vote of Campbell, Jackson, Kelley, Castillo, and West to approve as per Executive Officers recommendation.

8. Discussion/Direction on Progress Report on Heffernan Memorial Hospital District MSR/SAP update.

Mr. Heuberger addressed the Commission and reiterated that the outcome of the August 27<sup>th</sup> public hearing was to direct HMHD to prepare a preliminary business plan.

Following the continuation of this item from August 2015, Mr. Heuberger and Mr. Rivera have met to discuss the progress of the business plan being prepared by HMHD. HMHD is currently

negotiating with several entities, one being close to an agreement. HMHD is also working on an MOU with a local hospital. Mr. Heuberger and Mr. Rivera discussed how HMHD would proceed and what they would present to the Commission in the business plan. Mr. Heuberger and Mr. Rivera discussed having a preliminary plan to present to the Commissioners by the next LAFCO meeting in December 2015.

Commissioner Kelley stated the Commission is happy to see that HMHD is working on providing healthcare to the community.

Commissioner West stated he would like to see a long term plan, one that goes out far enough to see where HMHD will be five to ten years from now. The Commissioners agreed.

HMHD Chairperson Sylvia Bernal addressed the Commission, extending an invitation to a groundbreaking ceremony for the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November, at Cordova Park, one of the three wellness parks HMHD is furnishing to the city of Calexico. The ceremony commences at 11:00am and an official invitation will be sent.

No action was taken on this item.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

 [8:35] Public hearing to consider the approval of HV 1-15, City of Holtville Wastewater Outfall Main & Residential Collection Pipeline.

Mr. Heuberger summarized the project and the Executive Officers report. The project is to extend basic services outside the City of Holtville and within the sphere of influence.

Mr. Heuberger recommended the Commissioners approve Option #1.

Commissioner Jackson addressed the public, asking if the public had any comments or questions. No public comments were made.

Motion made by Commissioner Castillo and passed by roll call vote of Campbell, Jackson, Kelley, Castillo, and West to approve as per Executive Officers recommendation.

Mr. Heuberger stated the extension of services is authorized by the Commission; the City of Holtville will need to provide an executed copy of all four agreements for sewer service to LAFCO as soon as possible. Mr. Heuberger thanked the Commissioners and the City of Holtville for their assistance.

10. [8:45] Public hearing to consider the annexation of Regional Park & Equestrian Center IM 1-15.

Mr. Heuberger summarized the project and the Executive Officers report.

Mr. Heuberger stated to date LAFCO has not received any public comments either in support or opposition. Neither the Executive Officer nor the Commissioners have a conflict of interest with this project.

Commissioner Jackson addressed the public, asking if the public had any comments or questions. No public comments were made.

Mr. Heuberger recommended the approval of Option #1 to the Commission.

Motion by Kelley and passed by roll call vote of Campbell, Jackson, Kelley, Castillo, and West to approve as per Executive Officers recommendation.

Mr. Heuberger stated the annexation is approved by the Commission, subject to the conditions required prior to recording and thanked City Manager Marlene Best and the staff.

The Commissioners commended City Manager Marlene Best, City Council, and Staff for a job well done.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Code was reviewed with legal counsel. Direction was given, no action was taken.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:12.

Jason Jackson, Chairman

Jurg Heuberger, AICP, CEP Executive Officer to LAFCO