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Peggy Price

County Supervisor – 3rd District

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El Centro City Council Member

Jose Landeros

Public Member

ACTION MINUTES OF THE LAFCO MEETING

Thursday, May 22, 2025

8:30 am

El Centro City Council Chambers

1275 W. Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243

VOTING COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	Robert Amparano, Vice-Chair John Hawk David Salgado Sylvia Marroquin
VOTING COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	Jesus Escobar, Chair Michael Luellen
ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	Peggy Price Jose Landeros
STAFF PRESENT:	Steve Walker, Legal Counsel Tyler Salcido, Executive Officer Julie Carter, Accountant Lori Zinn, Clerk/Analyst

[Audio Recording of the meeting is available on the LAFCo website](#)

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

a. March 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Salgado and second by Commissioner Amparano to approve the consent items

AYES:	Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES:	None
ABSTAINED:	None
ABSENT:	Escobar

6. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Commissioner Marroquin announced that the Ice Cream Social has been rescheduled from last week to Friday, May 30, from 6-9 pm in the El Centro Town Center on Main Street.

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Officer Tyler Salcido announced the following:

- a. Tuesday, May 19, 2025, the Southern Region LAFCOs had a three-hour focus group meeting with the consultant hired to try to fix CALAFCO. The consultant is meeting individually with each region. As of July 1, 2025, four of the Southern Region LAFCOs will be pulling from CALAFCO, which will make a total of five LAFCOs that are not part of CALAFCO.
- b. Tuesday, May 27, 2025, there is a meeting between County Public Works, LAFCo, and Special Districts on a proposed RFP about a potential consolidation of the special districts under the County Public Works, and to have a plan in place for the County to take over any future special district dissolutions.
- c. In June, I anticipate having the Imperial Service Area Plan for review.
- d. I have reviewed the IID's draft Service Area Plan and will be sending a response with comments and questions to the IID. You all received the IID's draft Service Area Plan, so please let me know if you have any questions to include in the response to IID. Once we get back their response, I will review it and then bring it to the Commission for review.
 - i. Commissioner Amparano requested to have a sit-down for the Commissioners to review the Service Area Plan, as there are a lot of flaws and certain things do not add up.
 - ii. Legal Counsel Steve Walker suggested having a special meeting as an information item.
- e. At the June meeting, I anticipate presenting a Records Retention Policy and an Investment Policy.

8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

a. Withdrawal from Imperial Valley Telecommunications Authority (IVTA)

Executive Officer Tyler Salcido presented a PowerPoint presentation, which may be viewed on the LAFCo website.

Motion by Commissioner Hawk and second by Commissioner Salgado to adopt the Resolution authorizing the Executive Officer to submit a formal written notice of withdrawal from the Imperial Valley Telecommunications Authority (IVTA) Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), to be effective June 30, 2026, in accordance with the terms of the agreement

AYES:	Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES:	None
ABSTAINED:	None
ABSENT:	Escobar

b. Opposition Letter – SB 777 (Abandoned Endowment-Care Cemeteries)

Executive Officer Tyler Salcido presented a PowerPoint presentation, which may be viewed on the LAFCo website.

Motion by Commissioner Hawk and second by Commissioner Salgado to approve the opposition letter to Senator Richardson regarding SB 777 (as amended 3/26/2025), authorize the Commission Chair to sign and transmit the letter on behalf of Imperial LAFCo

AYES:	Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES:	None
ABSTAINED:	None

ABSENT: Escobar

c. Establishment of a Reserves Policy

Executive Officer Tyler Salcido presented a PowerPoint presentation, which may be viewed on the LAFCo website.

Motion by Commissioner Amparano and second by Commissioner Marroquin to return with a draft Reserves Policy using Option A: Percentage of Annual Expenses using Scenario A-3 of 10% of Annual Expenses.

AYES: Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Escobar

d. Purchasing and Contracting Policy

Executive Officer Tyler Salcido presented a PowerPoint presentation, which may be viewed on the LAFCo website.

Motion by Commissioner Marroquin and second by Commissioner Salgado to approve and adopt the Purchasing and Contracting Policy as presented

AYES: Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Escobar

e. Appointment of an Alternate Public Member to the Commission

Motion by Commissioner Hawk and second by Commissioner Salgado to reopen the recruitment process to solicit additional applicants before proceeding with an appointment

AYES: Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Escobar

9. PUBLIC HEARING

a. Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Executive Officer Tyler Salcido presented a PowerPoint presentation, which may be viewed on the LAFCo website.

Motion by Commissioner Hawk and second by Commissioner Salgado to approve and adopt the final budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 as presented under the 10% Unassigned Reserves scenario

AYES: Amparano, Hawk, Salgado, Marroquin
NAYES: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Escobar

10. ADJOURNMENT


Tyler Salcido, Executive Officer