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**MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF  
May 21, 2020**

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
MERCED COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

Chairman Silveira called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Merced County Administration Building.

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioner Silveira (Chair)  
Commissioner Bertao (Vice Chair)  
Commissioner Nagy  
Commissioner Espinoza  
Commissioner Serratto  
Commissioner McDaniel (Alternate)  
Commissioner McGlynn (Alternate)

**Staff Present:** Bill Nicholson, Executive Officer  
Kim Zinke, Recording Secretary

**Counsel Present:** None

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION: M/S NAGY - ESPINOZA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 - 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2020.**

**V. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

Bill Nicholson, LAFCO Executive Officer, read a letter from Rick Telegan, regarding the City of Merced Municipal Service Review for the record.

Chairman Silveira directed the Executive Officer to send a written response.

**VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. Adoption of the Final LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

**MOTION: M/S BERTAO – ESPINOZA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 - 0, THE COMMISSION ADOPTS THE FINAL LAFCO BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021, WITH ONE ADJUSTMENT REDUCING THE BUDGET BY \$1,676 IN ACCOUNT NO. 22327 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$151,438.**

**VII. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- A. Election of Commission Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

**MOTION: M/S NAGY – ESPINOZA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 – 0, THE COMMISSION ELECTS COMMISSIONER SILVEIRA TO BE CHAIRPERSON.**

**MOTION: M/S NAGY – ESPINOZA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 – 0, THE COMMISSION ELECTS COMMISSIONER BERTAO TO BE VICE-CHAIRPERSON.**

- B. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Merced County for Staff Support

**MOTION: M/S BERTAO – NAGY, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 – 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MERCED COUNTY FOR STAFF SUPPORT.**

- C. Resolution of Appreciation for Commissioner Samra

**THIS ITEM HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE AGENDA AND WILL BE ADDED TO THE NEXT LAFCO MEETING.**

- D. Presentation regarding the proposed “Owens Creek Water District”. Bruce Marlow representing 4-S Ranch, will give a presentation to the Commission regarding the proposed formation of the 7,800 acre Owens Creek Water District (LAFCO File No. 0688). Based on the application materials, the purpose of the formation is for the landowners to have a more direct role in groundwater sustainability planning in compliance with SGMA in monitoring & reporting on groundwater conditions, maintaining and operating groundwater recharge basins, and storing and distributing surface water. No action is requested by the Commission.

**A presentation was given by Bruce Marlow and Steve Sloan, representing 4-S Ranch. No action was taken by the Commission.**

**VIII. EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS**

- A. Executive Officer Summary of Upcoming Applications

**City of Merced Annexation – Gardner & Hatch Roads area and Yosemite Church**

- B. Comments from Commissioners

**None**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, Chairman Silveira adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.**