



Local Agency Formation Commission
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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, 3rd 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.