

**SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF APRIL 6, 2005**

The Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission met at 5:30 P.M. in Hearing Room #2 of the Sacramento County Administration Center, 700 H Street, Sacramento, California.

PRESENT: Robert King Fong, Chair; Christopher Tooker, Vice Chair;
Commissioners Charles Rose, Elliot Mulberg, Sophia Scherman.
Alternate Commissioners Gay Jones and John Jachens.

ABSENT: Commissioners Illa Collin and Susan Peters.
Not Present: Roberta MacGlashan, Steve Miklos, Kevin McCarty.

STAFF: Peter Brundage, Executive Officer; Donald Lockhart, Assistant
Executive Officer; Madeline Miller, Commission Counsel;
Marilyn Ann Flemmer, Commission Clerk.

Consent Calendar

Chair Robert King Fong called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. A motion to approve the consent calendar [Minutes of March 2, 2005; Claims dated March 31, 2005] was moved by Commissioner Mulberg, seconded by Commissioner Scherman, and unanimously passed.

**Country Hill Montessori School Annexation
To Citrus Heights Water District** (13-04)

Mr. Lockhart reviewed the staff report and recommend approval with wavier of the conducting authority hearing. There was brief discussion. Commissioner Rose moved approval; Commissioner Tooker seconded the motion which was unanimously passed.

Proposed LAFCo 2005-06 Budget

The Executive Officer reviewed his Proposed FY 2005-06 Budget, explaining budget increases, revenue, and reserve funds. Mr. Brundage requested adoption of the Proposed Budget so that it could be forwarded to those agencies that contribute to LAFCo's cost and so that a hearing could be held on the Proposed Budget in May and a Final Budget could be adopted in June. There was discussion; Mr. Brundage answered questions from the Commission. On a motion made by Commissioner Tooker, seconded by Commissioner Rose, the Proposed FY 2005-06 Budget was approved.

**General Plan Update/ Sphere of Influence Amendment/
Environmental Impact Review Process**

Mr. Brundage reviewed his discussion paper on the subject. Mr. Brundage stated his proposal was to collaborate with cities which are doing General Plan Updates so that the LAFCo process of Municipal Service Reviews and Spheres of Influence Updates could cut down unnecessary expense and delay. There was extensive Commission discussion on the Sphere of Influence Process.

James Markman, Attorney representing Natomas Central Mutual Water Company, addressed the Commission. Mr. Markman stated that the Natomas Central Mutual Water Company provides agricultural water service to a service area of approximately 35,000 acres within the unincorporated portion of Sacramento County. The territory has begun to urbanize; the City of Sacramento is providing retail municipal and industrial treated water services to territory annexed to the City, stated Mr. Markman. He continued, stating that continuing pressure to urbanize could place the Natomas Central Mutual Water Company in a financially insolvent position as the base of fewer and fewer agricultural users support the agricultural infrastructure. Mr. Markman addressed the Water Company's canals, infrastructure and easements as well as environmental/ habitat issues, warning that these issues could lead to litigation. Mr. Markman concluded, stating it was the Company's desire to avoid this potential by requesting that LAFCo consider action to condition annexation proposals that come before it by mitigating the effects of annexation on the Natomas Central Mutual Water Company. [See letter attached.]

The Honorable Doug Ose, former Congressman and Citrus Heights resident, addressed the Commission. Mr. Ose asked several questions regarding LAFCo's ability to initiate Amendments to Spheres of Influence, and the process of Sphere studies prior to annexation proposals. There was staff discussion with Mr. Ose regarding Mr. Brundage's proposal for working with an agency on a city General Plan update to achieve a LAFCo Sphere of Influence study and Mr. Ose's concern regarding avoiding "piecemealing" a community plan. There was Commission discussion. Mr. Brundage then requested a continuance on the item, stating he would return with it at next meeting.

Municipal Service Review Standards

Staff and Commissioner Tooker requested a continuance on this item to next Commission meeting. By Commission consensus both items were continued to next meeting.

There were no further reports. Announcements: Staff will attend CALAFCo Workshop in Bakersfield April 20-22, 2005. The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Marilyn Ann Flemmer
Commission Clerk

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