



**SAN LUIS OBISPO  
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
JULY 19, 2018**

**Call to Order:**

The San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, July 19, 2018 in the Board of Supervisors Chambers at the County Government Center in San Luis Obispo, California by Chairman Ed Waage.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Chairman Waage

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Chairman Ed Waage, Vice-Chair Lynn Compton, Commissioners Debbie Arnold, Robert Enns, Roberta Fonzi, Marshall Ochylski, Tom Murray, and Alternate Commissioner Ed Eby

**Absent:** Alternate Commissioners Adam Hill, Jamie Irons, and Heather Jensen

**Staff:** David Church, LAFCO Executive Officer  
Raymond A. Biering, LAFCO Legal Counsel  
Mike Prater, Deputy Executive Officer  
Donna J. Bloyd, LAFCO Commission Clerk

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Fonzi moved approval of the Minutes for May 17, 2018 with no changes or corrections.

**Commissioner Arnold** seconded the motion.

**Commissioner Murray** abstained from voting.

The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote, with Commissioner Murray abstaining.

**Non-Agenda Public Comments:** None

**Consent Agenda:**

A-1: Amendment to the Agreement with Legal Counsel-CPI Increase of \$542.00/Year

A-2: Year-end SLOLAFCO Budget Status Report

**Public Comment:** None

**Commissioner Ochylski** moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by **Vice-Chair Compton**.

AYES: Commissioner Ochylski, Vice-Chair Compton, Commissioners Arnold, Enns, Fonzi, Murray and Chairman Waage

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

**Regular Matters:**

B-1: Consider Dissolution of the Cayucos Fire Protection District LAFCO File # 2-R-17

**LAFCO Executive Officer, David Church**, presented this item. He began by summarizing the proposed dissolution of the Cayucos Fire Protection District (District) beginning with a timeline. Mr. Church also explained the purpose of the proposed dissolution, the plan for services and the County budget á propos the proposed dissolution. It was explained that the District had proposed the dissolution because it had limited resources, increasing costs, and a variable number of volunteers. The County had approved a Plan for Services that would enable CAL FIRE to provide services if the District is dissolved.

Mr. Church described the Protest Process for the proposed dissolution as well.

**Commissioner Enns** made a statement about the proposed dissolution of the District beginning by thanking audience members for attending the LAFCO Commission meeting and commending the District for service to the community of Cayucos.

**Commissioner Enns** spoke about what services provided by and his opinions on the proposed dissolution.

There were comments from the **Commissioners** regarding the proposed dissolution.

**Mr. Steve Beightler, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cayucos Fire Protection District**, indicated that the District was struggling financially and that the volunteer model was not sustainable in the long term. He noted that local residents are not able to volunteer, therefore the volunteers are from out of the area, and many work for CAL FIRE.

Mr. Beightler also noted that the department does not have enough money to support the District and that the department needs breathing equipment, radios, and the station itself needs upgrades to the tune of \$1.8 million.

Mr. Beightler said that, in the past, the District had borrowed from the County of San Luis Obispo to maintain its cash flow.

**Cheryl Conway, Member District Board of Directors**, stated that she has received the budgets for several years for the District and that maintaining the fire department becomes more expensive each year.

Ms. Conway added that the District spends half of its budget on wages and can only provide workers' compensation to the employees as a benefit. Ms. Conway also stated that the District fire truck needed repairs, there are little or no cash reserves for the department, new radios are needed, and the Amador Agreement has been canceled. She expressed that the community of Cayucos needs more efficient and permanent fire protection coverage.

**Mr. Beightler** spoke regarding a special committee comprised of Cayucos residents who arrived at six options for retaining the DISTRICT, but that none appeared to be feasible. The DISTRICT Board of Directors therefore voted to dissolve the DISTRICT.

Mr. Beightler thanked the Board of Supervisors for providing CAL FIRE for the community of Cayucos.

**Chief Scott Jalbert, CAL FIRE.** Chief Jalbert referred the Commission to the CAL FIRE plan for services for the Cayucos community. He indicated that the plan would serve Cayucos as well as the north coast. He also indicated that CAL FIRE would manage the business of fire protection, provide fire protection, and law enforcement. He added that there would be two CAL FIRE employees staffing the department at all times, a Type 1 engine would be available for response and two EMTs would be available every day.

There were questions from the **Commissioners** regarding staffing, costs, and wages.

Chief Jalbert responded to the Commissioners' questions and comments.

**Public Comment:**

**John Curti**, 242 Cayucos Drive, Cayucos, CA 93430. Mr. Curti is against dissolution of the District and asked that no decision be made until after a blue ribbon committee finding.

**Richard Griese**, Cayucos, CA 93430. Mr. Griese is against the dissolution of the District.

**Francie Farinet**, 83 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Cayucos, CA 93430. Ms. Farinet is against the dissolution of the District.

**June McGee**, 2133 Pacific Avenue, Cayucos, CA 93430. Ms. McGee is in favor of dissolution of the District.

**Amalia Templeton-Plemons**, 182 Cypress Avenue, Cayucos, CA 93430. Ms. Templeton-Plemons is against dissolution of the District.

**Chris Wells**, 183 Ash, Cayucos, CA 93430. Mr. Wells is in favor of dissolution of the District.

**Linda Van Fleet**, 949 Pacific Avenue, Cayucos, CA 93430. Ms., Van Fleet is in favor of dissolution of the District.

**Kerry Friend**, 340 E Street, Cayucos, CA 93430. Ms. Friend is against dissolution of the District.

**Jim Conway**, 110 Chaney Avenue, Cayucos, CA 93430. Mr. Conway is in favor of the dissolution of the District.

**John Carsell**, 3885 Shearer Avenue, Cayucos, CA 93430. Mr. Carsell is in favor of the dissolution of the District.

**Cheryl Conway**, 110 Chaney Avenue, Cayucos, CA 93430. Ms. Conway is in favor of the dissolution of the District.

**End of Public Comment.**

The **Commissioners** deliberated on the issue of dissolving the Cayucos Fire Protection District.

There were comments from the **Commissioners** regarding the issue.

**Mr. Church** reminded the Commission and audience that the offer from the Board of Supervisors and CAL FIRE to cover fire protection in Cayucos might not be available in the future.

**Commissioner Enns** moved to dissolve the Cayucos Fire Protection District, activate County Service Area No. 10 fire/emergency service authority, and enabling CAL FIRE to provide fire and emergency medical response services to the County Fire/CAL FIRE.

**Commissioner Ochylski** seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Enns, Ochylski, Arnold, Vice-Chair Compton, Commissioners Fonzi, Murray and Chairman Waage

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

The motion was approved with a unanimous roll call vote.

At 10:37 a.m. **Chairman Waage** called for a five minute break.

At 10:43 a.m. **Chairman Waage** called the LAFCO Commission meeting back into order.

B-2: Consider Authorizing the Release of a Request for Proposal to Procure Legal Services for SLOLAFCO

**Mr. Church** presented this item. He began by complimenting Mr. Biering on his 20 years of exceptional service to LAFCO.

Mr. Church outlined the process and suggested a timeline for securing the services of a new Legal Counsel for LAFCO by saying that a Request for Proposals (RFP) would be released to a list of law firms both in and out of San Luis Obispo County. He recommended allowing a 30-day period for firms to respond.

Mr. Church suggested that the Commission form a committee to review the proposals and make recommendations to the Commission regarding the proposals.

Mr. Church advised the Commission that the Ad Hoc Committee could be comprised of the current Chairman (Mr. Waage), Vice-Chair (Ms. Compton) and former Chairman (Mr. Ochylski).

**Commissioner Ochylski** moved that the Commission review and comment on the attached Request for Proposal (RFP) in the Staff Report for legal services and direct Staff to release the RFP to the list of legal firms found in Attachment A in the Staff Report. Also, that the Commission provide direction regarding the selection process.

The motion was seconded by **Vice-Chair Compton**.

The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

**Public Comment:** None

**Informational Matters:**

C-1: Status Update: SLOLAFCO Audit Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

**Public Comment:** None

**Chairman Waage** stated that the staff report was received.

C-2: Status Update: Detachment from the City of Paso Robles - Charolais Water Tank

There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

**Public Comment:** None

**Chairman Waage** stated that the staff report was received.

**Commissioner Comments:** **Chairman Waage** thanked **Mr. Biering** for his years of counsel to LAFCO.

**Legal Counsel Comments:** None

**Executive Officer Comments:** **Mr. Church** announced to the Commission that **Mr. Prater** is now the Deputy Executive Officer and thanked Mr. Prater for his work on LAFCO's behalf.

**Mr. Church** reminded the Commission of the October 3-5, 2018 CALAFCO Annual Conference which will take place this year at Tenaya Lodge.

**Adjournment:** With no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m. until the next meeting of the Commission in the Board of Supervisors Chambers at the County Government Center in San Luis Obispo.

**THESE MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL NOR ARE THEY A PERMANENT PART OF THE RECORD UNTIL THEY ARE APPROVED BY LAFCO COMMISSIONERS AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING.**

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Respectfully submitted,  
Donna J. Bloyd, LAFCO Commission Clerk