

**MINUTES  
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
JULY 25, 2007**

The Stanislaus Local Agency Formation Commission met in the Joint Chambers at Tenth Street Place, Basement Level, 1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Modesto, California. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A. Pledge of Allegiance to Flag. The Chairperson led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

B. Commissioners and Staff.

Commissioners Present: Brad Hawn, Chair, City Member  
William O'Brien, Vice Chair, County Member  
Barbara Rouse, Public Member  
Tia Saletta, Alternate Public Member

Commissioners Absent: Ken Lane, City Member  
Thomas Mayfield, County Member  
John Fantazia, Alternate City Member  
Jim DeMartini, Alternate County Member

Staff Present: Marjorie Blom, Executive Officer  
Dean Wright, LAFCO Counsel  
Sara Lytle-Pinhey, Assistant Executive Officer  
Debbie Hamilton, LAFCO Clerk

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

A. Minutes of May 23, 2007. It was moved by Commissioner O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Rouse, to approve the Minutes of the May 23, 2007 meeting. The motion carried with a 3-0 vote of the voting members (Commissioner Saletta was ineligible.)

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

A. Specific Correspondence.

None.

B. Informational Correspondence.

1. California Special District Association, Volume 2, Issue 3, May – June 2007 – Received.

C. "In the News@.

- The Modesto Bee, May 13, 2007, "Building cost may lead to a rate hike" – Received.
- Oakdale Leader, May 23, 2007, "Oakdale Rural Suffers Unexpected Financial Blow" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigator, June 2, 2007, "Developers a strong presence at first general-plan workshop" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigator, June 2, 2007, "County supervisors to discuss airfield report" Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 3, 2007, "Bay Area's thirsty; Oakdale district may help". – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 6, 2007, "Ethanol lawsuit is threatened" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 6, 2007, "Crows Landing plan moves ahead" – Received.
- Fallbrook Village News (online), June 7, 2007, "Volunteer fire depts., still have big role" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigation, June 9, 2007, "Water quality dropped below state standards" - Received.
- Ventura County Star, June 11, 2007, "Board rejects proposed farmland buffer".
- The Modesto Bee, June 12, 2007, "Well shutdowns leave Patterson high and dry" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigator, June 13, 2007, "Unsafe levels of nitrates found in water again" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigator, June 13, 2007, "West Side water users nervous about low flow" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 19, 2007, "Growth plan nets 29K names" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 19, 2007, "Oakdale weighs plan to sell surplus water".
- The Modesto Bee, June 19, 2007, "Lawsuit questions county's priorities" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 19, 2007, "Budget could plow under farmland protection" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, June 20, 2007, "Oakdale OKs SF water sale study" – Received.

- The Modesto Bee, June 22, 2007, "Turlock Country Club town studies OK'd" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigator, June 23, 2007, "Conceptual map shows specifics of airfield project" – Received.
- The Ceres Courier, June 27 2007, "Annex of 24 acres okay with city" – Received.
- Patterson Irrigator, June 30, 2007, "Residents want growth but not at agriculture's expense" – Received.
- The Ceres Courier, July 3, 2007, "Wal-Mart eyes super center for Mitchell Road" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, July 4, 2007, "Fire agency changes urged" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, July 5, 2007, "Plan to incorporate Salida qualifies for ballot; developers pledge \$80M" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, July 5, 2007, (online), "Riverbank update on its general plan nears" – Received.
- The Riverbank News, July 11, 2007, "Southwest Development Talks Postponed" – Received.
- The Modesto Bee, July 13, 2007, "163 homes envisioned on N. McHenry" – Received.

**5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS**

None.

**6. PRESENTATION**

- A. LAFCO 101 WORKSHOP. Bill Chiat, CALAFCO Executive Officer, provided a power point presentation on LAFCO 101. (This presentation is available on video format at the LAFCO office.)

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**8. ADDITIONAL MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRPERSON**

None.

**9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

- A. On the Horizon. The Executive Officer informed the Commission of the upcoming items:
1. Upcoming matters for the August 23rd agenda:
    - a. The Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Modification to the City of Waterford.
    - b. A request by the City of Hughson to annex approximately 86 acres in the southwest Hughson area.
  2. A reminder to the Commission that there is still time for any Commissioner who is interested in attending the CALAFCO Workshop on August 28-31, 2007 in Sacramento.
  3. On August 23, 2007, LAFCO staff will attend a meeting with Fire Chief Association to discuss the process and time frame to update each of the Rural Fire District's spheres in accordance with State law.
  4. As an update, there are three remaining MSR's/Sphere Updates yet to be completed in accordance with State law, for the following cities: Riverbank, Newman, and Ceres.

**10. AJOURNMENT**

- A. Set meeting date and time. The next meeting date and time is August 22, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.
- B. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Marjorie Blom  
Executive Officer

**NOTE: A tape recording of this meeting is unavailable due to equipment malfunction; however, a DVD is available upon request.**