1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Van Winkle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. **Pledge of Allegiance to Flag.** Chair Van Winkle led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

B. **Introduction of Commissioners and Staff.** Chair Van Winkle led in the introduction of the Commissioners and Staff.

Commissioners Present: Michael Van Winkle, Chair, City Member
Jim DeMartini, Vice Chair County Member
Amy Bublak, City Member (arrived at 6:02 pm)
Bill Berryhill, Public Member
Richard O’Brien, Alternate City Member
Brad Hawn, Alternate Public Member

Staff Present: Sara Lytle-Pinhey, Executive Officer
Javier Camarena, Assistant Executive Officer
Jennifer Goss, Commission Clerk
Alice E. Mimms, LAFCO Counsel

Commissioners Absent: Terry Withrow, County Member
Vito Chiesa, Alternate County Member

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the March 27, 2019 Meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Berryhill, seconded by Commissioner O’Brien and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the Minutes of the March 27, 2019 meeting by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Berryhill, DeMartini, O’Brien and Van Winkle
Noes: Commissioners: None
Ineligible: Commissioners: Hawn
Absent: Commissioners: Bublak, Chiesa and Withrow
Abstention: Commissioners: None
4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

A. Specific Correspondence.


B. Informational Correspondence.


C. “In the News”

5. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS**

None.

6. **CONSENT ITEM**

A. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND POSITION LETTERS** – (Staff Recommendation: Accept and authorize Executive Officer to submit position letters.)

Motion by Commissioner Berryhill, seconded by Commissioner O’Brien, and carried with a 4-0 vote to authorize the Executive Officer to submit position letters, by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Berryhill, DeMartini, O’Brien and Van Winkle

Noes: Commissioners: None

Ineligible: Commissioners: Hawn

Absent: Commissioners: Bublak, Chiesa and Withrow

Abstention: Commissioners: None

Commissioner Bublak arrived on the dais at 6:02 pm

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. **LAFCO APPLICATION NO. 2019-03 WHITMORE RANCH REORGANIZATION TO THE CITY OF CERES**: Request to annex approximately 94 acres at the southeast corner of Whitmore Avenue and Moore Road within the City’s Sphere of Influence to the City of Ceres and detach from the Ceres Fire Protection District. The Commission, as a Responsible Agency, will also consider the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), as prepared by the City of Ceres, as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). (Staff Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2019-08, approving the reorganization.)

Javier Camarena, Assistant Executive Officer, presented the item with a recommendation of approval.

Chair Van Winkle opened the Public Hearing at 6:12 p.m.

Tom Westbrook, Director of Community Development for the City of Ceres, spoke in favor of project and answered questions of the Commission.
Chair Van Winkle closed the Public Hearing at 6:21 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Bublak, seconded by Commissioner Berryhill, and carried with a 4-0 vote to adopt Resolution No. 2019-08, by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Berryhill, Bublak, DeMartini and Van Winkle
Noes: Commissioners: None
Ineligible: Commissioners: Hawn and O’Brien
Absent: Commissioners: Chiesa and Withrow
Abstention: Commissioners: None

B. PROPOSED LAFCO BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2019-2020. The Commission will consider the adoption of the proposed LAFCO budget consistent with Government Code Sections 56380 and 56381. (Staff Recommendation: Approve the proposed budget and adopt Resolution No. 2019-09.)

Sara Lytle-Pinhey, Executive Officer, presented the item with a recommendation of approval.

Chair Van Winkle opened the Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

No one spoke.

Chair Van Winkle closed the Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner DeMartini, seconded by Commissioner Bublak, and carried with a 4-0 vote to adopt Resolution No. 2019-09, by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Berryhill, Bublak, DeMartini and Van Winkle
Noes: Commissioners: None
Ineligible: Commissioners: Hawn and O’Brien
Absent: Commissioners: Chiesa and Withrow
Abstention: Commissioners: None

8. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

10. ADDITIONAL MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRPERSON

None.

11. EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

A. On the Horizon. The Executive Officer informed the Commission of the following:

- The Commission has a new legal counsel. Alice E. Mimms is taking the place of
Robert J. Taro as he has accepted a position as Assistant County Counsel.

- Upcoming items for May will include the Final Budget. Staff is expecting to receive an annexation application for the Modesto Mobile Home Park.

12. ADJOURNMENT

A. Chair Van Winkle adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Signed Copy on File

Sara Lytle-Pinhey, Executive Officer