



Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
FROM: Sean Rabé, Town Manager
DATE: August 9, 2022
RE: Placer County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Presentation

Recommendation

Receive presentation from Placer County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Executive Director Michelle McIntyre on what LAFCo is and does.

Issue Statement and Discussion

The Town Council recently requested a “LAFCO 101” informational presentation from Placer County LAFCO. Executive Director Michelle McIntyre will be at tonight’s meeting to provide that presentation.

Placer Local Agency Formation Commission, or Placer LAFCO, is a state mandated independent regulatory body whose role is to encourage the orderly formation of local governmental agencies, preserve agricultural and open space resources, and discourage urban sprawl through the review of city and special district boundary changes and the extension of the services they provide. Specifically, Placer LAFCO has jurisdiction within Placer County over proposed special district and city annexations and detachments, district formations and dissolutions, consolidations and mergers, city incorporations and disincorporations and the formation of subsidiary districts. Each county in California has its own LAFCO.

Placer LAFCO is also required to facilitate planning for the extension of services by local agencies through the adoption and periodic review of spheres of influence for each local agency. As a part of these periodic sphere reviews, Placer LAFCO is required to oversee the preparation of geographically based municipal services studies. Placer County LAFCO is soliciting bids for those reviews now.

The Placer County Local Agency Formation Commission is comprised of seven regular members and four alternate members:

- Two regular members and one alternate member are selected from among all the city council members within Placer County. These appointments are made by a selection committee composed of the mayors of all the cities. Mayor Jenny Knisley is an alternate to LAFCO.
- Two regular members and one alternate member are selected from among the Placer County Board of Supervisors. These appointments are made by the Board of Supervisors.
- Two regular members and one alternate member are selected from among all the independent special district board members within Placer County. These appointments are made by the independent special district selection committee, which is composed of a single representative from each of the independent special districts.
- One regular member and one alternate member are selected from the public at large. These appointments are made by the other four regular Commission members; however, selection is subject to the affirmative vote of at least one of the members selected by each of the other appointing authorities.

CEQA Requirements

None.

Financial and/or Policy Implications

None.

Attachments

None.