Present: Nancy Wright, Chair
Kevin Jeffries
Randon Lane
Jim Love

Absent: Phil Williams, Eugene Montanez, Doug Hanson, John Benoit and Stephen Tomanelli.

Present Staff: George J. Spiliotis, Executive Officer
Crystal Craig, Local Government Analyst
Adriana Romo, Local Government Analyst
Elena Medina, Executive Assistant
Tiffany North, Legal Counsel

1.1 CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wright at 9:31 a.m.

1.2 ROLL CALL.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2014.

Moved (Jeffries) seconded (Lane) to approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2014 meeting.

AYES: Wright, Jeffries, Lane and Love.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hanson, Montanez, Tomanelli, Benoit and Williams.
ABSTAINED: None.

3. CONSENT (NON-HEARING ITEMS).

a. LAFCO 2014-11-1-Annexation 17 to County Service Area 134 (TTM 30760).

Moved (Jeffries) seconded (Lane) to approve LAFCO 2014-11-1-Annexation 17 to County Service Area 134 (TTM 30760).

AYES: Wright, Jeffries, Lane and Love.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hanson, Montanez, Tomanelli, Benoit and Williams.
ABSTAINED: None.
b. LAFCO 2014-18-1-Annexation 22 to County Service Area 134 (TR 36317).

Mr. Spiliotis stated that the incorrect environmental document had been listed on the agenda; thus, staff was requesting to continue this item to the next LAFCO Meeting. He said that because the next meeting was not until March 26, 2015, and to not cause any additional hardship to the applicant, staff was recommending that the Commission hold a special meeting on February 26, 2015. He said that this would be a special meeting because the meeting scheduled had already been adopted.

Moved (Lane) seconded (Love) to continue LAFCO 2014-18-1-Annexation 22 to County Service Area 134 (TR 36317) to February 26, 2015.

AYES: Wright, Jeffries, Lane and Love.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hanson, Montanez, Tomanelli, Benoit and Williams.
ABSTAINED: None.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CONTINUED:

There were no continued items.

NEW:

a. LAFCO 2014-23-5-Sphere of Influence Amendments to Western Municipal Water District (Removal) and Eastern Municipal Water District (Addition) (104th Fringe-County Water Company).

b. LAFCO 2014-24-5-Reorganization to Include Concurrent Annexations to Eastern Municipal Water District and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (104th Fringe).

c. LAFCO 2014-25-1-Annexation to the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (County Water Company).

Ms. Romo presented all three proposals as outlined in their respective staff report. Ms. Romo stated that regarding the Annexation to Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, one of the customers of that area was inadvertently left out of the annexation. She said that the day before the hearing a written consent from the landowner had been received. Ms. Romo stated that staff was recommending a modified boundary to include that parcel. Ms. Romo also stated that a special public notice had been sent out to the annexation proponents and no written opposition from the affected property owners was received; therefore, staff was recommending approval of the proposals waiving the protest proceedings.

Chair Wright opened the public hearing.

Chris Teague, Eastern Municipal Water District, P. O. Box 8300, Perris, CA 92572. Mr. Teague expressed his support for the annexation proposals before the Commission and stated that he was available to answer any questions.
Greg Morrison, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530. Mr. Morrison stated that they were in support of staff’s recommendation and was available for any questions the Commission might have.

Chair Wright closed the public hearing.

Moved (Lane) seconded (Jeffries) to approve the following proposals: LAFCO 2014-23-5 Sphere of Influence Amendments to Western Municipal Water District (Removal) and Eastern Municipal Water District (Addition) (104th Fringe-County Water Company) as recommended by staff. LAFCO 2014-24-5 Reorganization to Include Concurrent Annexations to Eastern Municipal Water District and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (104th Fringe) as recommended by staff; and LAFCO 2014-25-1 Annexation to the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (County Water Company) with a modified boundary as recommended by staff.

AYES: Wright, Jeffries, Lane and Love.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hanson, Montanez, Tomanelli, Benoit and Williams.
ABSTAINED: None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no public comments.

6. RECEIVE AND FILE:

a. Information Items: Proposals Received (Government Code Section 56857, 56751):

   i. LAFCO 2014-26-4 Annexation to Mission Springs Water District (FedEx).

   ii. LAFCO 2014-27-4 Reorganization to Include Annexation 63 to the City of Coachella (La Entrada) and Concurrent Annexations to the Coachella Fire Protection District (subsidiary) and the Coachella Sanitary District (subsidiary) and Detachment from the Riverside County Waste Resources Management District.

b. LAFCO Monthly Expenditure Review.

Moved (Lane) seconded (Jeffries) to receive and file items 6.a. Information Items and 6.b. Monthly Expenditure Review as recommended by staff.

AYES: Wright, Jeffries, Lane and Love.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hanson, Montanez, Tomanelli, Benoit and Williams.
ABSTAINED: None.

Mr. Spiliotis stated that this year’s mid-year status report had been the most positive one in several years. He said that as of December 31, 2014, staff had expended 42.4% of the adopted appropriations and were on track to end the year with a fund balance of approximately $99,000. Mr. Spiliotis stated that several proposals had been submitted over the past few months exceeding budget revenues for the fiscal year. He stated that staff was taking a conservative approach to the estimated number of new proposals we are expecting to receive for the remainder of the fiscal year. Mr. Spiliotis stated that he expected to end the year on the expenditure side pretty close to what was budgeted as far as operating expenditures. Mr. Spiliotis stated that soon staff will begin budget development for the next fiscal year and will begin working with the Administrative Review Committee.

8. LEGISLATIVE REPORT: UPDATE ON CURRENT LEGISLATION. (Oral Report)

Mr. Spiliotis stated the most significant piece of legislation previously discussed was SB25 by Senator Roth. He said that this bill will try one more time to get property tax in lieu of VLF for the newly incorporated cities. He said that SB25 was identical to SB69 from last year. He said that no additional Commission action was necessary at this time since the intent and language was the same as last year. He said, he will send a letter in support of the Bill on behalf of the Commission. He said that another piece of special legislation that CALAFCO had been tracking was AB3 by Assemblymember Williams. He said that this bill was a concern to CALAFCO because it side-stepped the LAFCO process. Mr. Spiliotis stated that CALAFCO sent a letter of concern to the assemblymember. He said that other than that 2015 Local Government Omnibus Bill on the assembly side was on its way.

9. REPORT ON PROTEST PROCEEDINGS (Oral Report).

a. LAFCO 2014-08-4-Reorganization to Include Concurrent Annexations to the City of Cathedral City (North City Extended Specific Plan) and the Cathedral City Community Services District (subsidiary) and Concurrent Detachment from the Riverside County Waste Resources Management District.

Mr. Spiliotis stated that staff had held the protest hearing for this proposal on January 13, 2015 and, as expected, there was no protest and the annexation has been recorded and is now in the City of Cathedral City.

10. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS.

There were no miscellaneous reports.

11. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

There were no Commission comments.
12. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m. to February 26, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

George J. Spiliotis
Executive Officer