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**MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF  
January 20, 2022**

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
MERCED COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

Chairman Nagy called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. in the Board Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Merced County Administration Building.

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioner Nagy (Chair)  
Commissioner Serratto (Vice Chair)  
Commissioner Bertao  
Commissioner McDaniel

**Staff Present:** Bill Nicholson, Executive Officer  
Ana Muñoz-Laguna, Recording Secretary

**Counsel Present:** Mala Subramanian

**IV. CONSENT**

A. Approval of the minutes from the December 9, 2021 meeting

**MOTION: M/S BERTAO - SERRATO, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 - 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 9, 2021.**

**V. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

None

**VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**VII. GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. Amendment No. 1 to Contract with Economic and Planning Systems, Inc. (EPS) for preparation of an update to the "Agricultural Irrigation Service Providers Municipal Service Review" increasing the amount of the contract from \$35,000 to

\$50,000, and extending the contract expiration date from April 31, 2022, to June 30, 2022.

**MOTION: M/S MCDANIEL - SERRATO, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 - 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES AMMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT WITH ECONOMIC AND PLANNING SYSTEMS, INC. (EPS) FOR PREPARATION OF AN UPDATE TO THE "AGRICULTURAL IRRIGATION SERVICE PROVIDERS MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW" INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT FROM \$35,000 TO \$50,000, AND EXTENDING THE CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE FROM APRIL 31, 2022, TO JUNE 30, 2022.**

- B. Announcement of the Executive Officer's intention to retire, and discussion of possible steps for seeking a replacement.

**Members of the committee discussed the process of recruitment for new Executive Officer position as current CEO, Bill Nicholson, announces plans to retire.**

**MOTION: M/S MCDANIEL - SERRATO, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 - 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER SILVEIRA AND COMMISSIONER BERTAO TO AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO RECRUIT FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION FOR MERCED LAFCO.**

**VIII. EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

- A. Executive Officer update on upcoming applications and other business.

**None**

- B. Comments from Commissioners

**Commissioners thanked Executive Officer, Bill Nicholson for his many years of service and numerous contributions to Merced County and the LAFCO Committee.**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, Chairman Nagy adjourned the meeting at 10:54 a.m.**