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**MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF
August 18, 2022**

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

Vice Chairman Serrato called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the Board Chambers, 3rd. Floor of the Merced County Administration Building.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Silveira (Acting Chair)
Commissioner Bertao
Commissioner Hogue
Commissioner Espinosa
Commissioner McDaniel (Alternate)

Commissioner Absent Commissioner Serratto (Chair)

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

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the minutes from the June 16, 2022 meeting

MOTION: M/S BERTAO – ESPINOSA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 3 - 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 16, 2022.

V. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

None.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Barcellos et al Annexation to the Central California Irrigation District (CCID)- LAFCO File No. 0693.

Executive Officer Nicholson provided project background and presentation. This project is to annex two parcels containing and a portion of a third parcel containing 164.4 acres into the Central California Irrigation District (CCID). The purpose to this

project is to replace Class II water with Class I Water rights on the agricultural properties.

Commissioner Bertao pointed out that text in the document regarding the proposed action was repetitive on pages 5 and 6. Mr. Nicholson confirmed it was repetitive.

Public hearing open 10:21 a.m.

Ms. Maria Sequeira from CCID present to answer any question the Board may have. Ms. Sequeira thanked Mr. Nicholson for an excellent presentation.

Ms. Sequeira received a phone call yesterday from the elections office with some questions and will be having a meeting with Elections later today.

Public hearing closed 10:22 a.m.

MOTION: M/S BERTAO - ESPINOSA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 - 0, THE COMMISSION ADOPTS THE BARCELLOS ET AL ANNEXATION TO THE CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT (CCID)- LAFCO File No. 0693 WITH THE STIPULATION THAT ALL DETERMINATIONS HAVE BEEN MET.

VII. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Upcoming CALAFCO Annual Conference, October 7 through 9, 2022, at the Hyatt Regency, Newport Beach – John Wayne Airport; along with announcement of upcoming CALAFCO-U Training Session Announcement for on-line session on Monday, September 19, 2022 titled: “Two Agencies in Dispute: LAFCO’s Role in Assisting in Resolving the Conflict”**

Executive Officer Nicholson indicated this will be the first in person CALAFCO conference since last year. Commissioner’s Bertao, Vice Chair Silveira, Commissioner Espinosa and Commissioner McDaniel will be attending this years CALAFCO Conference.

The next CALAFCO University training session is available to Commissioners and staff, free of cost, who would like to log on and view, scheduled on September 19, 2022.

Commissioner Bertao inquired about changes with CALAFCO, Commissioner McDaniel responded that there is a new Executive Director from Mariposa that is very organized and detail oriented.

- B. Board of Directors Nominations, Appointment of Voting Delegate and Alternate for the CALAFCO Board Elections and Related Business for the October 2022 CALAFCO Conference in Newport Beach.**

Acting Chair Silveira nominated Commissioner Bertao as the voting delegate for the CALAFCO conference elections and Commissioner McDaniel as the alternate voting delegate.

MOTION: M/S SILVEIRA - ESPINOSA, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 - 0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENT OF VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR THE CALAFCO BOARD ELECTIONS AND RELATED BUSINESS FOR THE OCTOBER 2022 CALAFCO CONFERENCE IN NEWPORT BEACH.

VIII. EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

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

Executive Officer Nicholson inquired whether County LAFCO Commissioners are interested in running for CALAFCO board member. Commissioner McDaniel's term is coming up and doesn't plan on running again. Commissioner Espinosa indicated his interest in running for the Central Region County Seat.

MOTION: M/S SILVEIRA – HOGUE, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0, THE COMMISSION APPROVES MOTION TO NOMINATE SUPERVISORY ESPINOSA FOR CENTRAL REGION COUNTY SEAT.

Executive Officer Nicholson identified a new application from Los Banos was received for the AMG Annexation. It is an old annexation from about four or five years ago, for approximately 20 acres of farmland surrounded by the City on three sides.

Commissioner Bertao inquired about Volta's and Santa Nella's joint water issue. Executive Officer Nicholson provided an update that a "consolidation" will not be involved as a new district will not be created. The Santa Nella County Water District will be the annexing district, and the Volta Community Services District will be dissolved.

B. Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Hogue would like to thank Mr. Nicholson for all the LAFCO information provide to her about LAFCO prior to today's meeting.

Commissioner Espinoza would like to thank the commission for the nomination and for all their support.

Commissioner McDaniel thanked the commission for all the support throughout his term on the CALAFCO board. He also welcomed Commissioner Hogue to the commission and recommended attending the CALAFCO conference.

Acting Chair Silveira also recommended Commissioner Hogue attend the CALAFCO conference and congratulated Commissioner Espinoza.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Acting Chair Silveira adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.