



San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission

Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Friday, December 20, 2024
10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

In-Person Participation

County of San Diego Administration Center
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402
San Diego, California 92101

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The Special Districts Advisory Committee is responsible for helping to inform the Commission on all germane items relating to San Diego LAFCO's regulatory and planning responsibilities affecting special districts.

The Committee will hold the December 20, 2024 meeting in person at the County of San Diego Administration Center, Room 402 (1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, California 92101). Three-hour visitor parking is available using the Ash Street entrance. In person attendance by the public is welcomed. The public may also watch, listen, and otherwise participate in the meeting remotely by any of the following options.

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 - a) The public may provide eComments on any item by emailing to erica.sellen@sdcounty.ca.gov
 - eComments received before 8:00 A.M. on Friday, December 20, 2024, will be forwarded to the Committee and posted online before the meeting. They will also be referenced during the meeting.
 - eComments received during the meeting and before the subject item is concluded will be referenced and later posted online.

1. 10:00 A.M. – CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR

- a) Roll Call
- b) Pledge Of Allegiance

2. AGENDA REVIEW BY CHAIR

3. OPEN EXPRESSION

This time is reserved for any member of the public to address the Committee on germane topics that are not directly part of the agenda. This includes requests for future Committee topics. Individuals are limited to three minutes.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

a) Approval of Meeting Minutes for September 20, 2024 (action)

The Committee will consider draft summary minutes prepared for the last meeting held on September 20, 2024. Staff recommends approval as presented. (Page 5-10)

b) Update on 2024-2025 Workplan (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the adopted workplan and activities associated with the 30 special projects set for 2024-2025. Two projects are complete and headlined by a municipal service review on the Oceanside region. Another 14 projects are underway and marked by the Commission's three highest priorities for the fiscal year involving municipal service reviews on healthcare districts, wholesale water services, and the San Diego Association of Local Government. An amendment to the workplan involving the addition of an informational report on public recreation enhancement opportunities at City of San Diego owned reservoirs is anticipated to be presented to the Commission as early as February 2025. The item is provided to the Committee for information. (Page 11-20)

c) Approved Policy on Conducting Municipal Service Reviews (L-106) (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the recently approved Legislative Policy 106 (L-106) and its governing provisions related to conducting municipal service reviews. The policy – approved by the Commission in November 2024 – formalizes existing practice to provide all subject agencies an opportunity to review complete draft reports on municipal service reviews prior to their public presentation. Additionally, the policy extends the courtesy to also include all draft recommendations. Other amendments include addressing the role of performance metrics. The item is being presented for information. (Page 21-40)

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a) Draft Policy on Public Member Appointments (discussion)

The Committee will review a draft policy to establish rules and procedures in making regular and alternate public member appointments. The item ties to the adopted workplan and presented in advance of the current regular public member's four-year term expiring in May 2025. The draft builds on recent practice and feedback provided by the Commission at its December 2, 2024 meeting and collectively aims to create a clear and known process. Central provisions include tasking the Executive Committee to screen nominate two or more applicants for full Commission consideration while also allowing nominations from individual Commissioners. The draft also provides for expedited reappointments. Staff anticipates drawing on the Committee feedback in presenting a final draft version to the Commission for action in February 2025. (Page 41-48)

Contact: Priscilla Mumpower, Assistant Executive Officer

b) Current Workplan Update on High Priority Project |

MSR on Wholesale Water Agencies: San Diego County Water Authority and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the current adopted workplan focusing on one of San Diego LAFCO's highest placed priorities. The update will advise on staff's progress in preparing the scheduled municipal service review (MSR) on wholesale water agencies operating in San Diego County. This includes a comprehensive review of the San Diego County Water Authority and a proportional review of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The update is provided for information with an opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback to staff on interests and/or priorities on behalf of special districts in San Diego County. (Page 49-52)

Contact: Priscilla Mumpower, Assistant Executive Officer
Chris Cate, LAFCO Consultant

c) Current Workplan Update on High Priority Project |

MSR Update on San Diego Association of Governments (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the current adopted workplan focusing on one of San Diego LAFCO's highest placed priorities involving a Municipal Service Review (MSR) on the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG). The MSR on SANDAG will study the agency, and in particular three service functions oriented towards the Commission's growth management interests and involving: (1) transportation, (2) regional housing, and (3) climate adaptation. The update is provided for information with an opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback to staff on interests and/or priorities on behalf of special districts in San Diego County. (Page 53-56)

Contact: Joelle Burila, Analyst I

d) Current Workplan Update on High Priority Project |

MSR Update on Healthcare Districts in San Diego County (information)

The Committee will receive an update on the current adopted workplan focusing on one of San Diego LAFCO's highest placed priorities and involving a Municipal Service Review (MSR) on healthcare districts in San Diego County. The MSR will cover the four healthcare districts in San Diego County including: Fallbrook, Palomar, Grossmont, and Tri-City. The review will be divided into two parts and will encompass: an overarching analysis of the district's services (macro report), followed by a detailed examination (micro report). The update is provided for information with an opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback to staff on interests and/or priorities on behalf of special districts in San Diego County. (Page 57-60)

Contact: Michaela Peters, Analyst II

e) Update on Policy Review | SDAC Rules (discussion + feedback)

The Committee will receive an update from its Ad Hoc Committee, formed at its September 2024 meeting, regarding its ongoing review of the Committee's rules and efforts to modernize them. This item ties to the Commission's adopted workplan and involves a comprehensive review of the Committee's rules, focusing on its purpose and core focuses, composition and elections, and place and time of meetings. The update is provided for information with an opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback and direction, in advance of staff presenting a future item for action. (Page 61-70)

Contact: Joelle Burila, Analyst I

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

8. ADJOURNMENT

Attest to Posting:



Erica Sellen
Committee Secretary

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