



**San Diego County**  
**Local Agency Formation Commission**  
 Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

**7f**

**AGENDA REPORT**  
 Business | Action

February 3, 2025

**TO:** Commissioners  
**FROM:** Erica Sellen, Commission Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Chair and Vice Chair Appointments

**SUMMARY**

The San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) will consider making officer appointments and select a Chair and Vice Chair consistent with adopted policy. The appointees will serve the balance of 2025 consistent with policy unless otherwise specified.

**BACKGROUND**

San Diego LAFCO’s policies direct the Commission to annually appoint a chair and vice chair. Terms are one year unless otherwise specified with no restrictions on reappointments. The Commission has relatedly established practices to rotate the appointments between its five membership categories – County, Cities, San Diego, Special Districts, and Public – whenever possible. Recent appointments follow.

Recent Appointments				
Year	Chair	Category	Vice Chair	Category
2020	Dianne Jacob	County	Andy Vanderlaan	Public
2021	Andy Vanderlaan	Public	Jim Desmond	County
2022	Jim Desmond	County	Paul McNamara	Cities
2023	Jim Desmond	County	Stephen Whitburn	San Diego
2024	Stephen Whitburn	San Diego	Barry Willis	Special Districts

<b>Administration</b> Keene Simonds, Executive Officer 2550 Fifth Avenue, Suite 725 San Diego, California 92103 T 619.321.3380 E lafco@sdcountry.ca.gov www.sdlafco.org	<b>Joel Anderson</b> County of San Diego	<b>Kristi Becker</b> City of Solana Beach	<b>Chair Stephen Whitburn</b> City of San Diego	<b>Vice Chair Barry Willis</b> Alpine Fire Protection	<b>Harry Mathis</b> General Public
	<b>Jim Desmond</b> County of San Diego	<b>Dane White</b> City of Escondido	<b>Marni von Wilpert, Alt.</b> City of San Diego	<b>Jo MacKenzie</b> Vista Irrigation	<b>Brigitte Browning, Alt.</b> General Public
	<b>Vacant</b> County of San Diego	<b>John McCann Alt.</b> City of Chula Vista	<b>David Drake, Alt.</b> Rincon del Diablo		

## DISCUSSION

This item is for San Diego LAFCO to appoint a Chair and Vice Chair for the balance of 2025. These appointees actively work with the Executive Officer throughout the calendar year and provide feedback on various administrative items and headlined by setting meeting agendas. The Chair also serves as supervisor for the Executive Officer and Commission Counsel.

## ANALYSIS

None.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended San Diego LAFCO consider its preferences and proceed accordingly in selecting a Chair and Vice Chair.

## ALTERNATIVES FOR ACTION

The following alternative actions are available to San Diego LAFCO and can be accomplished with a single-motion:

Alternative One (recommended):

Make appointments to the Chair and Vice Chair positions as appropriate.

Alternative Two:

Continue the item to a future meeting and provide direction to staff with respect to any additional analysis or information requested.

## PROCEDURES

This item has been placed on the agenda for action as part of San Diego LAFCO's business calendar. The following procedures are suggested in the consideration of this item:

- 1) Receive verbal report from staff unless waived.
- 2) Discuss item and consider recommendation.

Respectfully,



Erica Sellen  
Commission Clerk

Attachments: none