



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

SAN DIEGO COUNTY
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Monday, April 6, 2026

Doors Open: 8:00 A.M.
Meeting Starts: 8:15 A.M.

In-Person Participation

County Administration Center
 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302
 San Diego, California

Video-Teleconference Participation

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| San Diego LAFCO | | |
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| Commissioner | Appointing Authority | Affiliation |
| Chair Kristi Becker | Cities Selection Committee | City of Solana Beach |
| Vice Chair Barry Willis | Independent Special Districts | Alpine Fire Protection |
| Paloma Aguirre | Board of Supervisors | County of San Diego |
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| Brigette Browning | Commission | General Public |
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| Stephen Whitburn | Mayor of the City of San Diego | City of San Diego |
| Dane White | Cities Selection Committee | City of Escondido |
| Alternate Eileen Delaney | Commission | General Public |
| Alternate David A. Drake | Independent Special Districts | Rincon del Diablo MWD |
| Alternate John McCann | Cities Selection Committee | City of Chula Vista |
| Alternate Monica Montgomery Steppe | Board of Supervisors | County of San Diego |
| Alternate Marni von Wilpert | Mayor of the City of San Diego | City of San Diego |

Participation Instructions:

In person attendance by the public is welcomed. LAFCO meets in Room 302 in the County Administration Center (1600 Pacific Highway). Three-hour visitor parking is available using the Ash Street entrance. To provide comments on any item, please turn in a speakers slip to LAFCO staff before the item commences.

Remote participation by video or telephone is welcomed through Zoom by following these instructions.

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| 5. Click the speaker icon to unmute to speak | 5. Dial *6 to unmute yourself |

All comments – whether provided in person or remotely (video and telephone) – are limited to three minutes for individuals and five minutes for agencies and community organizations. The Chair may adjust the time allowance as they deem appropriate in managing the Commission’s business.

Remote participation by e-mail is also welcomed by sending comments to Commission Clerk Erica Sellen at erica.sellen@sdcounty.ca.gov.

- All e-mails received before 3:00 P.M. one business day before the meeting will be forwarded to the Commission and posted online prior to the start of the meeting.
- All e-mails received after 3:00 P.M. one business day before the meeting and up until the conclusion of the item by the Commission will be noted for the record by LAFCO staff with a good-faith summary and subsequently posted online.

The Commission may proceed with the meeting, even where there is a disruption that prevents the Commission from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public or from receiving public comment from members of the public using a call-in option or internet-based service option, unless such disruption prevents a member of the Commission is participating under Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e) or (f).

Public Accommodations:

Assistance for the disabled is available by contacting LAFCO staff prior to the meeting. To the extent possible, accommodation requests should be submitted at least 72 hours in advance.

Spanish language translation services are readily available at LAFCO meetings. Translation services covering other languages may be made available upon request at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

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1. 8:15 A.M. – CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR

- a) **Roll Call of Commissioners Present**
- b) **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. STATEMENT (JUST CAUSE) AND/OR CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY (EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES) BY A COMMISSIONER, IF APPLICABLE.

3. AGENDA REVIEW

The Executive Officer will summarize the agenda, advise on any requested changes, and disclose any supplemental communications received. The Chair will also consider requests from Commissioners to rearrange agenda items.

4. PUBLIC EXPRESSION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO REQUEST DISCUSSION ON CONSENT ITEMS

Opportunity for members of the public to speak on any subject matter within the Commission's growth management duties and interests that is not on the agenda. Speakers are limited to three minutes. This is also an opportunity to request discussion on a consent calendar item.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

All items calendared as consent are considered ministerial and subject to approval by a single motion. The Chair will consider requests by Commissioners to pull items for discussion.

a) Approval of Meeting Minutes for March 2, 2026 (action)

The Commission will consider action minutes from the March 2, 2026 meeting prepared by the Commission Clerk. Staff recommends approval as presented. (Pages 7-18)

b) Commission Ratification | Recorded Payments for February 2026 (action)

The Commission will review a report of all payments made and received for February 2026. Staff recommends ratifying payments as presented. (Pages 19-24)

c) Progress Report on 2025-2026 Workplan (information)

The Commission will receive an update on the current fiscal year workplan and related staff activities involving all 30 prioritized special projects. Information only. (Pages 25-28)

d) Report on Applicant Proposals (information)

The Commission will receive a status report on active and anticipated applicant proposals. Information only. (Pages 29-40)

e) Proposed “Joint Jaiswal – Rio Vista Road Change of Organization” |

Annexation to Rancho Santa Fe Community Services District & Related Actions (CO25-15) (action)

The Commission will consider a joint change of organization proposal petitioned by four landowners to annex 10.0 acres in the unincorporated community of San Dieguito to the Rancho Santa Fe Community Services District (CSD). The affected territory consists of four parcels — three developed with single-family residences and one undeveloped — and lies entirely within the CSD's sphere. The purpose of the proposal is to extend public wastewater to the affected territory, including service to support the planned development of a single-family residence. Staff recommends approval as submitted, including waiver of protest and adoption of findings supporting a California Environmental Quality Act exemption (15319(b)). The affected parcels are identified as 267-145-16, -19, -20 and 267-146-05. (Pages 41-70)

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED...

f) Notice of Administrative Approval | “Dechner - Haas Street Out-of-Agency Wastewater Services” with City of Escondido (OAS25-17) (information)

The Commission will receive notice of an administrative approval by the Executive Officer authorizing the City of Escondido to provide out-of-agency wastewater service to a 1.09-acre unincorporated parcel within its sphere of influence located at 2417 Haas Street. The subject parcel is identified as 239-330-66. The authorization is limited to an existing single-family residence and is based on documentation of a public health threat arising from a failed septic system. Approval waives the standard condition requiring the landowner to submit an annexation proposal to LAFCO for future processing, given local conditions as detailed. The Executive Officer has determined the project is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15269(c). This notice is provided for informational purposes in accordance with adopted Commission policy. The Commission may also pull the item for discussion and provide related feedback. (Pages 71-92)

g) Legislative Report (information)

The Commission will receive an update on active legislation relevant to the agency's regulatory and planning responsibilities. Information only. (Pages 93-96)

**h) Report on Recent Committee Meeting |
Cities Advisory Committee’s March 19, 2026 Meeting (information)**

The Commission will receive a report on the most recent meeting of its Cities Advisory Committee held on March 19th. Information only. (Pages 97-102)

**i) Notice of New Professional Services Agreement:
Contract for Accounting Services with Tri-Star Advisors, Inc. (information)**

The Commission will receive a copy of a new professional services agreement entered into by the Executive Officer with Tri-Star Advisors, Inc. to provide accounting and related services. The agreement became effective on February 2, 2026, and includes an initial not-to-exceed amount of \$15,000 for fiscal year 2025–2026, with annual renewals thereafter unless terminated. The item is being provided for information only and part of a new administrative procedure consistent with recent Commission input to provide notice of new agreements entered into by the Executive Officer under the procurement delegation. Information only. (Pages 103-122)

6. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS |

COMMISSIONER DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Public hearing items require expanded public notification per provisions in State law or have been voluntarily scheduled by the Executive Officer to ensure opportunity for public input. All public hearing items require verbal disclosures by Commissions regarding any material communications.

**a) Combined Public Hearing |
Draft Municipal Service Review on City of Carlsbad- Encinitas Region (Part I): City of Carlsbad and Carlsbad Municipal Water District (discussion)**

The Commission will hold a combined public hearing on a draft municipal service review covering two agencies within the Carlsbad subregion: the City of Carlsbad and Carlsbad Municipal Water District (MWD). The study represents Part I of a broader regional municipal service review encompassing the Carlsbad-Encinitas region and is advanced as part of the Commission’s adopted workplan. The hearing combines two procedural items under Commission policy for administrative ease. The City of Carlsbad portion is a continued hearing

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS CONTINUED...

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originally opened on March 2, 2026, and continued at the City's request to allow additional time to review substantive revisions made by LAFCO staff following the 60-day administrative review period. The Carlsbad MWD portion is a new hearing being opened for the first time. Both agencies have completed their respective administrative reviews, and the draft report has been updated accordingly. This combined public hearing is presented for Commission discussion and feedback to assess whether the scope and content meet expectations in advance of staff initiating a formal 45-day noticed public review and comment period and proceeding with preparing a final document. (Pages 123-336)

7. BUSINESS CALENDAR

Business items involve regulatory, planning, or other items that do not require a noticed hearing.

a) Lower Sweetwater Fire Protection District Request for Commission Review of Administrative Determination Regarding LAFCO Policy L-107 (discussion)

The Commission will review Policy L-107, which establishes procedures for early consultation with affected agencies and interested parties regarding proposed changes of organization or reorganization. At the request of the Lower Sweetwater Fire Protection District, the Chair has asked for this agenda item to review the policy and LAFCO staff's administrative determination in connection with a pending reorganization proposal to the City of National City ("Delgado-Andrade – 24th Street Outside-of-Agency Service Agreement"). This item provides the Commission an opportunity to review Policy L-107, consider staff's implementation in the context of the District's correspondence, and provide feedback, as appropriate. (Pages 337-390)

b) Alliance of LAFCOs Update and Proposed Next Steps (action)

The Commission will receive an update on the ongoing efforts of the Alliance of Local Agency Formation Commissions (Alliance). Staff recommends the Commission affirm its continued participation in the Alliance under the existing Memorandum of Understanding framework and reappoint Chair Becker and Vice Chair Willis as the Commission's representatives. Staff also recommends the Commission authorize the Executive Officer to engage, on the Commission's behalf, in the formation of a new nonprofit organization along with the three partnering LAFCOs (Los Angeles, Orange and San Bernardino). Additionally, staff requests conceptual approval of the proposed governance and administrative structure, dues model, and a two-year funding commitment of \$30,000 divided equally between Fiscal Year 2027 and Fiscal Year 2028. (Pages 391-398)

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

9. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS & REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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Erica Sellen
Commission Clerk

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