

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Hybrid In-Person/Video/Teleconference Meeting
To be held at Kern Council of Governments (KernCOG)
1401 19th Street Suite #300
Bakersfield, CA 93301
Meeting of **March 20, 2024** - 5:15 p.m.

David Couch - Kern County BOS	ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS
Zack Scrivner** - Kern County BOS	Phillip Peters - Kern County BOS
Andrae Gonzales - City of Bakersfield	Eric Arias - City of Bakersfield
John Crump - City of Maricopa	Dick Albright - City of Maricopa
Saul Ayon* - City of McFarland	Vacant - Special District
Gary McKibbin - Special District Member	Jose Gonzalez - Public Member
Les Clark III - Special District Member	Virginia Mello - Public Member
Vince Zaragoza - Public Member	
Barbara Fowler - Public Member	
*Chair **Vice Chair	

AGENDA

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING REMOTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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1. **ROLL CALL**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **VIDEO CONFERENCE EMERGENCY REQUEST (if required)** *Vote Required*
Possible requests from commissioners to attend remotely pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(f)(1)
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
 - a. [February 21, 2024, Meeting Minutes](#) *Vote Required*
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda and over which the Commission has jurisdiction. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state your name and address for the record before making your presentation.

6. **DETERMINATION PROCEEDING**

a. **1823 - NORTH OF THE RIVER SANITARY DISTRICT:** *Vote Required*

North of the River Sanitary District No. 1: Annexation 114 & County Service Area 71: Detachment “V” (Reorganization)

A proposed annexation of approximately 40.99 acres consisting of 3 parcels of both developed and un- improved land into North of the River Sanitary District and the detachment from CSA 71 from the affected areas.

Parcel A: 34.22 acres located south of Hageman Road and east of North Road

Parcel B: 2.14 acres located north of Norris Road and west of Coffee Road

Parcel C: 4. 63 acres located north of Petrol Road and west of North Chester Avenue extension.

The annexation is for the purpose of providing sewer service at a date in the future, yet to be determined. This proposal has 100% landowner consent. The applicant has requested waiver of notice, hearing and protest hearing pursuant to Government Code §56663. (Resolution)

7. **NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

a. **PRELIMINARY 2024-2025 ANNUAL BUDGET:** *Vote Required*

Consideration of the 2024-2025 proposed Preliminary Budget. The budget for Kern LAFCo is determined by the Commission and funded by the County of Kern, the Incorporated Cities in Kern County, and the Independent Special Districts that Kern LAFCo is designated as the Principal County. With each category of agency paying 1/3 of the budget per Gov. Code Section 56381(b (1)(A)). A proposed budget is required to be adopted prior to the final budget being considered per Gov. Code Section 56381 (a)

8. **COMMISSION ITEMS**

a. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER CONTRACT AGREEMENT** *Vote Required*

b. **RESOLUTION: VACATE 1778 & 1779 BUENA VISTA WATER STORAGE DISTRICT ANNEXATION No. 1 & SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT** *Vote Required*

In accordance with the Appellate Court Ruling on Kern Water Bank Authority vs. Kern LAFCo, the Commission has determined that continuing to appeal the lawsuit is not in the Commission’s best interest and will therefore be required to vacate Annexation 1778 and Sphere of Influence amendment 1779.

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

a. **Approval of Monthly Expense List No. 24-02** *Vote Required*

b. **OFFICE LEASE RENEWAL** *Vote Required*

c. **REPORT: 2024-2025 STATE LEGISLATION** *Informational*

d. **Executive Officer Miscellaneous Items** *Informational*

10. **CLOSED SESSION**

None

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next scheduled meeting **April 17, 2024**

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For additional information on the above items please contact the Kern Local Agency Formation Commission at 5300 Lennox Ave Suite 303, Bakersfield CA 93309, or phone us at 661-716-1077
