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Local Agency Formation Commission

105 East Anapamu Street, Room 403

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Policy Regarding Payment of Per Diem Stipends

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission consider the information contained herein and determine a policy regarding payment of per diem stipends.

DISCUSSION

A survey of LAFCOs indicates a variety of policies have been adopted with respect to paying stipends to Commissioners for attending meetings. Many LAFCOs, including the Santa Barbara LAFCO, pay stipends for Commission meetings and hearings. Other LAFCOs authorize stipends for additional Commissioner activities.

- The El Dorado LAFCO pays stipends for subcommittees or working group meetings.
- The Los Angeles LAFCO pays stipends for subcommittees and community meetings.
- The Plumas LAFCO pays per diems for Commissioners who attend CALAFCO events and Commissioners on committees doing LAFCO business.
- The Nevada LAFCO pays half of the standard per diem for subcommittee meetings.
- The Riverside LAFCO pays per diems to Commissioners who attend subcommittee meetings, CALAFCO Board of Directors meetings if they are a member of the Board and a stipend (one day) to attend CALAFCO Conferences and subject-specific CALAFCO workshops.

The Commissioner Handbook states “The Commission has authorized a stipend of \$100 per Commission meeting for regular and alternate members.” If this policy is to be changed the staff needs direction from the Commission.

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We have appended a draft resolution that can be modified as appropriate to reflect the preferred policy regarding authorization of payment of per diem stipends.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION AUTHORIZING PER DIEM STIPENDS FOR ACTIVITIES
OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSISON

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act (Section 56000 et seq. of the Government Code) is responsible for adopting an annual budget and setting policies for the expenditure of Commission funds; and

WHEREAS, members of the Commission are called on to attend Commission meetings, to serve as members of Commission-appointed working committees and participate in activities of the California Association of LAFCOs, and

WHEREAS, the Commission wishes to adopt rules authorizing the payment of per diem stipends for attendance at Commission-related activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission as follows:

- (1) The Commission authorizes a stipend of \$100 for regular and alternate members.
- (2) Members are eligible to received stipends for:
 - a. Attendance at regular and special meetings of the Commission.
 - b. Attendance at standing and ad hoc committee meetings when appointed to such committees by the Commission or the Chair of the Commission.
 - c. Attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors of the California Association of LAFCOs when the Commissioner is a member of the Board of Directors.
- (3) Payment of stipends is limited to no more than five (5) per member in any month.

This resolution was adopted on December 4, 2003 and is effective on the date signed by the Chair.

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AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINS:

Dated: _____
Chair, Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission