

July 2, 2015 (Agenda)

Local Agency Formation Commission  
105 East Anapamu Street  
Santa Barbara CA 93101

## **Establishment of Standing Committee on Legislation**

Dear Members of the Commission:

### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission consider adopting the attached resolution that will memorialize the creation of a Standing Committee on Legislation and specify the staffing, meeting location and number of regular meetings to be scheduled each year.

It is further recommended the Commission appoint three Commissioners as the members of the Committee.

### DISCUSSION

On June 4 the Commission decided to create a Standing Committee on Legislation.

The Commission requested creation of resolution to formally establish the committee. The enclosed resolution prepared by Legal Counsel Bill Dillon is presented for adoption by the Commission.

Commission Budget and Financial Procedures specify members of standing committees are eligible to receive a stipend of \$150 for attending committee meetings. Based on four meetings a year as set forth in the resolution, the additional cost could be \$1,800. This amount would be paid from the Final Budget that was approved by the Commission at the May 7, 2015 meeting. This assumes all clerking of the Committee is done by the Executive Officer and not the Clerk.

### Exhibits:

Exhibit A      Resolution No. 15-4 Establishing the Legislative Standing Committee

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**Commissioners:** Doreen Farr, Chair ♦ Roger Aceves ♦ Bob Short ♦ Craig Geyer ♦ Jeff Moorhouse ♦ Bob Orach ♦ Janet Wolf ♦ John Fox ♦ Steve Lavagnino ♦ Jim Richardson ♦ Roger Welt ♦ **Executive Officer:** Paul Hood

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Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



PAUL HOOD  
Executive Officer

RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

In the matter of establishing the Legislative  
Standing Committee of the Commission

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, the Local Agency Formation Commission (“Commission”) is responsible for overseeing and administering the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Act, Government Code section 56000 et seq. within Santa Barbara County.

WHEREAS, the Commission is required as part of its duties to be intimately familiar with the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Act, which is a complex and intricate statute with many nuances and subtleties.

WHEREAS, each year many amendments are proposed to the Act that often raise important policy and legal issues that concern Santa Barbara County and therefore require review by the Commission and, as needed, the adoption of positions of support or opposition to the proposed legislation.

WHEREAS, the Commission’s regular monthly meetings are not always sufficient to allow the Commission to be fully briefed on and understand all important legislative proposals.

WHEREAS, the Commission now wishes to establish a standing committee that will meet to review legislative proposals of concern to the Commission and report to the Commission as necessary.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:**

1. The Commission hereby establishes the Legislative Committee as a Standing Committee of the Commission.

2. The Legislative Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the Commission.

Only members of the Commission, including alternates, may be members of the Legislative

Committee. The Commission will make appointments to the Legislative Committee at the first regular meeting of the Commission each calendar year.

3. The Legislative Committee shall be staffed by the Executive Officer and, as necessary, Counsel.

4. The Legislative Committee shall be a standing committee that shall comply with all requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code section 54950 et seq., including open meetings, agenda and notice requirements.

5. The Commission will annually establish or include in a regular budget an item a budget for the Legislative Committee. Committee members shall be eligible for reimbursement of allowable expenses, as authorized by the Commissioners' Handbook, Rule 9, but only to the extent such funds are available in the unexpended line item budget revenue of the Commission.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 2nd day of July, by the following vote, in Santa Maria, California.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair  
Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission

ATTEST

Approved as to Form:

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Jacquelyne Alexander, Clerk  
Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission

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Deputy County Counsel