

PLACER COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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February 2, 2021

Presiding Officer/Chair
Placer County Special District

From: Kris Berry, Executive Officer

Re: Call for Nomination--Special District Representative

Dear Presiding Officer/Chair:

This letter is the official call to open the nomination period for one regular and one alternate Special District representative seat on the Placer Local Agency Formation Commission.

The current Special District representatives are regular member Joshua Alpine, Placer County Water Agency (term expired May, 2020), and alternate member Mike Lynch, Auburn Recreation and Park District (term expired May, 2020). These Commissioners will serve the LAFCO Commission until new appointments are made. It is necessary to select a Special District representative and alternate representative for a four-year term. The new terms will expire in May, 2024.

Under Section 56332 of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act, the Executive Officer calls meetings of the Special District selection committee. The committee consists of the Presiding Officers of each independent Special District within the County (or members appointed by the legislative bodies to attend in the Presiding Officer's place). There are thirty-eight (38) such independent Special Districts in the County. A quorum would consist of one more than half of this number, twenty (20).

In the past, it has proven difficult given the busy schedules of most board members, to select a time when a sufficient number of Presiding Officers could be assembled to achieve a quorum.

Recognizing that it may be infeasible to hold a meeting at a time that is convenient for a quorum to attend, Section 56332(f)(3) allows for the Executive Officer to conduct the election for Special District representatives in writing. Under this new procedure, the Executive Officer call for nominations may be sent and submitted to by electronic mail within thirty (30) working days, allowing sufficient time for directors of the districts to take formal action on nominations. At the end of the nominating period, the Executive Officer prepares a ballot with voting instructions and sends the ballot to each district, allowing thirty (30) days for balloting. The Executive Officer then tallies the ballots and announces the results.

A nominee must be the Presiding Officer or a member of the legislative body of an independent Special District. The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act encourages the selection of Special District representatives to represent the diversity of the districts with respect to population and geography.

The nomination period shall close at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021. Nominations must be submitted by that time to:

Placer LAFCO
110 Maple Street
Auburn, CA 95603

Upon the closing of the nomination period, staff will prepare and mail a ballot to each Special District with voting instructions. Ballots will be due thirty (30) days after mailing.

If you have any questions about this procedure, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,



Kris Berry, Executive Officer
Placer LAFCO