

Memo

To: Board of Directors From: Larrie Ann Davis Date: April 14, 2020

Subject: Local Agency Formation Commission Special District Election Ballot for

Regular LAFCO Member

The official voting process for the Regular Special District Member of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) has begun. The District may vote for only one candidate. A copy of the information provided by candidate Kimberly Cox and T. Milford Harrison is attached for your information.

The ballot deadline is Monday, April 27, 2020 for the **Regular Special District Member**.

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March 18, 2020

Dear Special District Member:

I have been honored to represent Special Districts as the Regular Member on the San Bernardino County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for over 15 years. This is a unique area of service and it is important that special districts have a knowledgeable seat at the table. For that reason, I would respectfully request your support to continue representing you on LAFCO.

My background includes more than 15 years as an elected official on the Mojave Water Agency, more than 20 years of experience working in local government. As the General Manager of a Community Services District (CSD) that provides water, wastewater and park and recreation services, I have extensive knowledge regarding issues faced by special districts throughout the County. Attached to this letter is a copy of my resume. I have dedicated my life to public service, and it is my hope that you believe I have fairly represented you at LAFCO.

Please feel free to contact me at 760-217-2221 should you have any questions regarding this letter of interest and my desire to continue to represent both large and small special districts on the Local Agency Formation Commission for San Bernardino County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards,

Kimberly Cox, DPA

Treasurer/Board Member

Mojave Water Agency

KIMBERLY COX, DPA

EDUCATION

Doctorate, Public Administration, California Baptist University -2019 Masters, Public Administration, Cal State San Bernardino – 2004 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, University of Phoenix - 1999

PUBLIC MOJAVE WATER AGENCY

SERVICE November 2003 – Present

First elected in 2003. Served in numerous board positions including president, vice-president, Watermaster chair and vice-chair.

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCO)

April 2004 – Present

Appointed to LAFCO by special districts within San Bernardino County.

LAHONTAN REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

September 2013 - Present

Received three appointments from Governor Jerry Brown (2013, 2014, 2018)

MEMBERSHIPS/ • **ACTIVITIES**

- California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Current Member Participates in expert working groups including Human Resources; LAFCO; Administration; Legislation
- American Public Works Association Current Member
- Association of California Water Agencies Current Member
- American Water Works Association Current Member
- California Parks and Recreation Society Current Member
- International City/County Management Association Current Member
- American Society of Public Public Administration Current Member
- Integrated Waste Management Board (2010-2013, 2016-present) -**Special District Representative**
- Zone 4 Flood Commission, Director (2010-2013)
- San Bernardino County Commission on the Status of Women (2005-2007)
- Measure I Renewal Task Force (2005)
- Helendale Chamber of Commerce Board (2004-2006)
- California WateReuse Association Board (2003-2005)
- League of California Cities Public Works Committee (2003-2005)

WORK GENERAL MANAGER/HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

EXPERIENCE February 2007 – Present

Responsible for administrative activities of an organization considered a "junior city" providing many municipal-level services. Duties include budget development, contract negotiations, oversight of day-to-day service delivery including water. wastewater, solid waste management, park and recreation and street lighting. Implements/revises five-year Capital Improvement Plan. Implements vision and direction of the elected board of directors. Informs board of issues and opportunities. Interfaces with community organizations, government entities and individuals on behalf of the organization.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANALYST - CITY OF VICTORVILLE

August 2002 - February 2007

Served in the City Manager's office on special projects (2005-2007) and in Public Works Department (2002-2005) serving as acting director in the director's absence. Provided oversight for 100 staff with operating budget of over \$50 million. Represented the City by attending inter-governmental meetings including the regional wastewater authority, League of California Cities Mountain Desert meetings, San Bernardino Area Governments (renamed SBCTA), and American Public Works Association High Desert Chapter, San Bernardino County Flood Control and local community groups.

WATER RESOURCE SPECIALIST – CITY OF HESPERIA

August 1999 - August 2002

Represented the City at various organizations such as Mojave Water Agency, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board, Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority. Monitored regulatory standards, legislation and adjudicatory matters impacting the City's core functions. Developed and implemented public outreach programs with the community and schools providing education and resources. Prepared department budget and participated in inter-governmental work groups.

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March 3, 2020

San Bernardino County Special Districts

Dear Special District Agency Representatives,

Thank you for the privilege of reaching out to you with regard to our Special Districts' representation on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). I have received the support of my San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (Valley District) Board, to submit my name for your consideration for appointment as Regular Member representing Special Districts on the LAFCO Commission.

LAFCO has a direct impact upon each of our Special Districts as well as other forms of local government. Issues are presented and actions taken which can significantly affect the operations, entitlements and futures of our Districts. Fortunately, Special Districts have the privilege of appointing two of our members to represent us on the Commission and protect our interests.

In addition to my Valley District position I have for the last four years been a Member of our Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts Board (ASBCSD) representing the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District and for the last year, Valley District. During this period several of us on the ASBCSD Board have had a growing frustration as to why we receive so few reports from our two LAFCO Special District Commissioners, as to what is occurring each month at LAFCO and how it may affect any or all of our Special Districts.

It is my opinion, and that of a number of other Special District members who have approached me regarding this concern, that our Special District LAFCO representatives should attend each of our Special District monthly membership meetings and report as to what has occurred or is being proposed at LAFCO which may affect any or all of our Districts. In addition, we feel that our representative should reach out to any Special Districts who are directly affected by any LAFCO agenda items. We feel they should also be soliciting the advice of our Members as to what positions the Association recommends on upcoming relevant agenda issues.

I have an extensive background in local government and have been directly involved in several issues upon which LAFCO decisions were critical. My experience includes City, County, regional and Special District positions in the last twenty plus years. I served as a Councilmember and Mayor for the City of Loma Linda, as Executive Director for San Bernardino International Airport and as Chief of Staff for two County Supervisors. My education includes a JD degree from California Southern Law School. I thoroughly enjoy serving on a Special District Board, with our ASBCSD Association and with our State Organization, CSDA, where I serve on the Legislative Committee, as well as Election and By-Laws.

If I am selected by our Association to serve on the LAFCO Commission, I pledge to keep Special Districts informed of LAFCO agendas and initiatives and to represent you to the best of my ability. I will solicit your input on matters affecting any of our individual members and those affecting all Districts.

All of my contact information is listed below and I solicit any advice or input you might provide. I would appreciate your consideration in voting for my appointment to the LAFCO Commission.

Sincerely yours,

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T. Milford Harrison, Board President, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

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