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DATE: August 30, 2024

TO: City Managers
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Other Interested Parties

FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: **COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW AND UPDATE OF LAFCO POLICIES:
Notice of Availability and Notice of Public Hearing**

The proposed Phase 1 LAFCO policy revisions are now available for public review and comment.

The proposed revisions to the current LAFCO policies are recommended by the LAFCO Ad-Hoc Committee (LAFCO Chair Russ Melton, Vice Chair Sylvia Arenas, and Alternate Commissioner Helen Chapman) which was created to assist LAFCO staff with the comprehensive review and update of LAFCO policies.

The Ad Hoc Committee recommends these revisions to the LAFCO policies in order to:

- Better enable LAFCO to meet its legislative mandate,
- Make the policies consistent with recent changes to the CKH Act,
- Better document current and historic practices,
- Provide ease of use and better guidance to affected agencies, public, and potential applicants; and increase clarity and transparency of LAFCO’s policies and expectations.

The proposed Phase 1 LAFCO policy revisions and associated documents are available [here](#) for your review.

Written Comments

Your feedback on the proposed Phase 1 policy revisions is important to LAFCO.

Written comments will be accepted until **5:00 PM on Wednesday, October 2, 2024**. Comments received by **September 25, 2024**, will be included in the October 2 LAFCO meeting agenda packet.

You may email your comments to LAFCO@ceo.sccgov.org.

LAFCO Public Hearings

LAFCO will hold an **initial public hearing on October 2, 2024**, to receive public comments on the proposed Phase 1 policy revisions from affected agencies, interested parties, and members of the public. No final action will be taken by LAFCO at this hearing.

Date: Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Time: 1:15 PM or soon thereafter

Place: Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose

Following the October 2 LAFCO public hearing, LAFCO staff, working closely with the Ad-Hoc Committee, will compile all written comments received, prepare a response to the comments received, and propose any further revisions to the policies as necessary.

It is anticipated that the responses to public comments and any revisions to the recommended policies will be published for additional public review and comment in early November.

Finally, LAFCO will hold a **second public hearing on December 4, 2024**, to consider and adopt the Phase 1 policy revisions.