Corkey Harmon Susie Baugh City Member County Member Mike Littau Chris Kelstrom County Member

City Member

Allen Long Pam Morgan City Member Alternate County Member Alternate



Fred Ryness Special District Member

Ronnean Lund Special District Member

Rosemary Smith Special District Alternate

Larry Russell Public Member

Michael Spencer Public Member Alternate

#### AGENDA ITEM 9.C.

Date: August 7, 2025

From: Krystle Brogna, Executive Officer

**Subject: Commissioner Selection Process** 

The Commission will receive an overview of how County, City, Special District, and

Public Commissioners are currently selected to serve on Shasta LAFCO.

# **BACKGROUND**

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) is the principal act that governs LAFCOs throughout the state. It defines the powers, composition, and processes for LAFCO. Specifically, Government Code (G.C.) Section 56325 specifies the general composition of LAFCO as follows:

- Two (2) Commission members appointed by the Board of Supervisors from their own membership and one (1) alternate.
- Two (2) Commission members appointed by the cities in the county, each of whom shall be a mayor or council member, appointed by the City Selection Committee, and one (1) alternate.
- Two (2) Commission members who are presiding officers or members of legislative bodies of independent special districts, appointed by the independent special district selection committee pursuant to G.C. Section 56332, and one (1) alternate.
- One (1) Commission member representing the general public appointed by the other members of the Commission, and one (1) alternate.

This composition provides for a seven (7) member commission with equal representation from county, city, and special district members, and with public member representation. It also provides for one (1) alternate for each category so that in the event a regular member cannot attend, a voting member representing that category may still participate in the meeting. The term of office of each member shall be four years (G.C. Section 56334).

### **DISCUSSION**

Each seat on Shasta LAFCO is filled as follows:

#### County Members

County members are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors on an annual basis, generally in January of each year. Two regular members and one alternate are appointed from the currently elected supervisors.

# City Members

City members are appointed by the Mayors' City Selection Committee on an annual basis, typically in January of each year. Two regular members and one alternate are appointed from the currently elected City Council members. Each of the three cities is represented on a rotating basis with the alternate member rotating through each city on an annual basis.

# **Special District Members**

Special district members are elected to four-year staggered terms by the independent special districts within Shasta County. First, a call for nominations is sent out to all eligible independent special districts within the County. Special districts may nominate a currently elected Board Member to serve on LAFCO. Once nominations are received, a ballot is sent out to all eligible independent special districts. Each district may cast one vote. If a quorum of votes is reached by the determined election day, the candidate with the most votes is seated on LAFCO. If a quorum is not reached, the election day is extended to allow more time for votes to be received.

# Public Member

The public member is appointed by the Commission to serve a four-year term. LAFCO staff releases a notice to the public requesting applications to serve on the Commission. Any resident of Shasta County that is not currently serving in a elected capacity for the County, cites, or special districts, may apply. Applications are reviewed by a subcommittee of the Commission and interviews are conducted if deemed necessary. The subcommittee then provides a recommendation to the full Commission who then appoints the public member.

# **Current Commissioner Terms**

Below is a table showing the current terms of Commissioners on Shasta LAFCO:

Seat Type	Commissioner	Term
County Member	Chris Kelstrom	Annual Appointment
County Member	Corkey Harmon	Annual Appointment
County Alternate	Allen Long	Annual Appointment
City Member	Susie Baugh	Annual Appointment
City Member	Mike Littau	Annual Appointment
City Alternate	Pam Morgan	Annual Appointment
Special District	Fred Ryness	Jan 2024 - Dec 2027
Special District	Ronnean Lund	Jan 2023 - Dec 2026
Special District Alternate	Rosemary Smith	Jan 2024 - Dec 2028
Public Member	Larry Russell	Jan 2022 - Dec 2025
Public Alternate	Michael Spencer	Jan 2023 - Dec 2026

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Commission is invited to hold discussion and provide direction to staff as needed.

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