

Corkey Harmon  
County Member

Susie Baugh  
City Member

Chris Kelstrom  
County Member

Pam Morgan  
City Member

Allen Long  
County Member Alternate

Tenessa Audette  
City Member Alternate



Fred Ryness  
Special District Member

Brenda Haynes  
Public Member

Ronnean Lund  
Special District Member

Vacant  
Public Member Alternate

Rosemary Smith  
Special District Alternate

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## AGENDA ITEM 10.A.

**Date:** April 2, 2026

**From:** Krystle Brogna, Executive Officer

**Subject:** **Alternate Public Member Vacancy**

The Commission will receive a report on the recent vacancy of the Alternate Public Member seat and direct staff on how to proceed with filling the vacancy.

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### BACKGROUND

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 states the composition of Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs) shall generally include seven regular members consisting of county (two), city (two), special district (two), and public (one) representation. Each category represented on LAFCO also has one alternate member. Appointments for the county, city, and special district seats are made by the Board of Supervisors, City Selection Committee, and independent special district selection by mail ballot processed by LAFCO, respectively. Appointments for public seats are made by the other regular Commission members. The term of office of each member shall generally be four years or until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor in accordance with Government Code §56334.

### DISCUSSION

The Regular Public Member seat term expired on December 31, 2025. Two applications were received from Brenda Haynes and Bill Goodwin. Commissioners Baugh, Kelstrom, and Ryness, as members of the public member selection subcommittee, interviewed the two candidates and recommended that Brenda Haynes fill the Regular Public Member seat. At the December 4, 2025, Regular Commission meeting, Brenda Haynes was appointed by the full Commission to fill the Regular Public Member seat.

The Alternate Public Member term runs from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2026. On March 18, 2026, Alternate Commissioner Michael Spencer submitted his resignation for serving on LAFCO (Attachment A) and the seat is now vacant.

In accordance with Government Code §56325, "whenever a vacancy occurs in the public member or alternate public member position, the commission shall cause a notice of vacancy to be posted as provided in Section 56158. A copy of this notice shall be sent to the clerk or secretary of the legislative body of each local agency within the county. Final appointment to fill the vacancy may not be made for at least 21 days after the posting of the notice". LAFCO staff has prepared and distributed this notice of vacancy to all the member agencies (Attachment B).

Bill Goodwin has expressed an interest in filling the vacant seat and has attended the last two LAFCO meetings. If the Commission agrees, Mr. Goodwin may be appointed to serve the remainder of the term at the June 4, 2026, Regular Commission meeting, unless additional applications for the position are received. Alternatively, the Commission can direct staff to proceed with a full recruitment process for the vacant seat in order to seek applications from a broader range of applicants.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Commission receive the report and provide direction to staff on how to proceed with appointment of the Alternate Public Member.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Michael Spencer Resignation Letter

Attachment B - Notice of Vacancy