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LAFCO set to choose committee member

The Shasta Local Area Formation Commission, or Shasta LAFCO, plans a special meeting Wednesday to appoint a new member to its fiscal committee after Commissioner Les Baugh resigned his seat on that subcommittee last month.

Baugh, who remains on the Shasta LAFCO board, said he gave up that seat because of questions over some expenses charged by CEO Jan Lopez that were not approved by the commission or included in the agency's budget projects.

In the last six months of 2014, Lopez charged more than \$3,000 to her Shasta LAFCO-issued debit card for local hotel stays, including \$2,250 for rooms and related expenses at the Red Lion Inn and Motel 6 in Redding.

Wednesday's meeting starts at 9 a.m. in the Redding City Council chambers at 777 Cypress Ave. in Redding. It is free and open to the public.

[References are to the March 5, 2015, meeting; item was rescheduled to April 2, 2015 meeting; jel]