



LOCAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION

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Draft LBC Public Meeting Minutes Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Ave., Room 1620; Anchorage, AK

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Call to order

Chair Lynn Chrystal called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll call and determination of quorum

Brent Williams called the roll and four commissioners were present. Chair Lynn Chrystal and Commissioner Debra Mack were present in person. Commissioners John Harrington and Lavell Wilson were present via teleconference. Four commissioners represented a quorum. Commissioner Bob Harcharek was absent.

3. Introduction of commissioners and staff

Each commissioner identified himself or herself. Staff present included: Eileen Raese, Brent Williams, and Marty McGee (DCRA);

4. Identify all parties present

In person: None

5. Acknowledge if members of the public are present

Pam Goode was present via teleconference (Deltana).

6. Local Boundary Commission (LBC) chair remarks

None

7. Approve or amend the agenda

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Harrington seconded the motion. Mr. Williams called the roll and the four commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public comment concerning matters that are neither on the agenda nor pending before the commission

None. New Boards and Commissions Director Shirley Marquardt joined the meeting to observe and was welcomed by the Chair.

2. Consider draft 2016 LBC annual report to the Legislature

Commissioner Harrington moved to approve the report. Commissioner Mack seconded. Commissioner Mack thanked staff for the preparation of the report. She commented that it brought her up to speed as a new commissioner and that it was a very good report. The Chair welcomed Commis-

sioner Mack. The Chair commented that it was an excellent, concise report. Mr. Williams called the roll and the four commissioners present voted in favor of the motion to approve the report.

3. Approve draft minutes from the January 24, 25, and 30, 2017, LBC meetings

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the draft minutes. Commissioner Harrington seconded the motion. Mr. Williams called the roll and the four commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

4. Adopt a resolution of appreciation for former Commissioner Darroll Hargraves

Commissioner Mack moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Harrington seconded the motion. Mr. Williams called the roll and the four commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

5. Adopt a resolution of appreciation for former Commissioner Allan Tesche

Chair Chrystal read the draft resolution. Commissioner Harrington moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Mr. Williams called the roll and the four commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

6. Discussion item: Commissioner preferences regarding electronic versus hard copy transmittal of LBC documents

Commissioner Harrington said that he preferred electronic transmission, as did Commissioner Mack. Commissioner Wilson and Chair Chrystal wanted the option to choose, and said that they prefer paper documents, at least for longer documents. Ms. Raese stated that because the LBC regulations require that the petitioner send five hard copies of the petition, that she would send the commissioners hard copies of the Nikiski petition.

7. Comments from commissioners and LBC staff

Mr. Williams asked the commissioners if July 11, 2017, would be a convenient date to hold the hearing for the Sand Point annexation petition. Chair Chrystal, Commissioner Harrington, and Commissioner Wilson said that they would be available on that date. Commissioner Mack said that she would be declaring a potential conflict of interest with the Sand Point petition, and asking the LBC to rule on that.

Mr. Williams also asked if the Commission could meet telephonically on August 1 to approve or amend a draft decision on the Sand Point petition. Chair Chrystal, Commissioner Harrington, and Commissioner Wilson said that they could be available then.

Mr. Williams asked if the commissioners would like to hold the hearing live in Sand Point, or to hold it telephonically. The LBC would need to suspend the regulations to hold the hearing telephonically. Chair Chrystal asked about flying to Sand Point. Commissioner Wilson said that he prefers that the hearing be held live in Sand Point. The commissioners will discuss the hearing site at the next LBC meeting.

Ms. Raese mentioned that she is working on the preliminary report for the Nikiski incorporation petition.

Mr. McGee asked that the Commission consider having a workshop this summer. Commissioner Harrington suggested that if the LBC holds a workshop, it could do so around the same dates as the Sand Point hearing. He also mentioned SB 18, which proposed forming third class boroughs. He asked that the LBC be aware of that, and possibly hold a meeting concerning it.

Per Commissioner Harrington's request, Commissioner Mack introduced herself, and provided her background. She grew up and lived most of her life in the Aleutians, and now resides in Anchorage.

Mr. McGee offered to keep the LBC updated on any bills affecting local boundaries or the LBC.

8. Adjourn

Commissioner Mack moved to adjourn. Commissioner Harrington seconded the motion. Mr. Williams called the roll and the four commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.