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Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission
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Appointment of Alternate Public Member

Dear Fellow Commissioners:

This report is submitted by the Alternate Public Member Screening Committee composed of Commissioners Schmidt (Committee Chair), Glover and Schroder.

The recent loss of Commissioner Bill Bristow vacated the Alternate Public Member seat on LAFCO. In May 2009 and in accordance with LAFCO's policies and procedures, the Commission approved the selection process to fill the vacancy; directed LAFCO staff to commence the recruitment; and appointed an ad hoc committee to review applications and make recommendations to the Commission.

Notices were published in all editions of the *Contra Costa Times* and sent to interested parties and local agencies in Contra Costa County; 13 applications were received and forwarded to the committee (see attached summary). On July 10, the committee conducted interviews with 12 of the 13 applicants; one of the applicants was unavailable to interview, but was still considered based on his written application.

The committee was impressed with the breadth of knowledge and professional experience of all the candidates. After careful consideration, the committee unanimously recommends the appointment of Sharon Burke of Alamo as the Alternate Public Member. Ms. Burke has extensive and recent LAFCO experience with her involvement with the Alamo incorporation efforts. Further, she is currently providing support to other incorporation groups in other areas of the State. The committee felt that Ms. Burke's understanding of LAFCO's role and responsibilities, and knowledge of organization and operation of local government organization, combined with her civic and community involvement would be an asset to LAFCO. Also, it is believed that Ms. Burke would represent the public in the broadest sense, as she has no direct affiliation with any local government agency in Contra Costa County.

RECOMMENDATION

The Alternate Public Member Screening Committee recommends that the Commission appoint Sharon Burke as the Alternate Public Member of the Commission with the term ending May 7, 2012.

ALTERNATE PUBLIC MEMBER CANDIDATE PROFILES

Name	Location	Occupation	Local Government/Community Experience
Alfred Affinito	Pittsburg	Retired Attorney	Former Pittsburg City Councilmember/Mayor; City Attorney; Chair, East Bay League of California Cities; Chamber of Commerce, Rotary
Robert Brown	Brentwood	Retired City Planner	35 years of land use planning experience (federal, state, local government)
Sharon Burke	Alamo	Retired Nonprofit Association Manager/ Homemaker/ Volunteer	Founder/Board Member - Alamo Incorporation Committee, Alamo Beautification/ Zone 36, Alamo Blvd. of Trees, Stonegate HOA; PTA; School Facilities Advisory Committee; Diablo Valley League of Women Voters; Children's Hospital Auxiliary; Diablo Valley National Charity League
Jim Cowen	El Sobrante	Insurance Broker/ Self Employed	El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council (MAC); Chamber of Commerce; Neighborhood Watch; Community Forums Against Crime; Boy Scouts; School Site Council Chairman
John Jewell	Discovery Bay	Retired compliance manager (electronics)	Delegate, Equal Opportunity Council (District 3)
Arthur Kee	Brentwood	Retired City Planner/ planning consultant	Grand Jury; served on various chambers of commerce and service clubs; 30 years in city planning
Robert Kenny	Bethel Island	Retired – Department of Transportation; small business owner	Grand Jury; election official; chambers of commerce, Rotary; Human Services Commission; Valley Volunteer Center
Leslie Lea	San Ramon	Former Tax Accountant; Travel Agent	Grand Jury; Cofounder- Parents Concerned
Gerald Lieder	Antioch	Retired Immigration and Naturalization Service Supervisory Special Agent	Antioch Parks & Recreation Commission; Antioch Budget Committee; National Association of Active and Retired Employees; Antioch Babe Ruth Association
Iris Obregon	Oakley	Community Volunteer; Banking; Real Estate; Travel Industry	CCTA Citizens Advisory Committee; Oakley Planning Commission; Steering Committee - East County Leadership; Mediator – Antioch Youth Intervention Network
Harriet Raphael	Walnut Creek	Retired Architect; Office of Court Construction of the Administrative Office of the Courts	Grand Jury; Neighborhood Watch
Johnny Staton	Brentwood	Real Estate, Entertainment Consultant (NBA Golden State Warriors)	Brentwood Advisory Council; Board Member, East Contra Costa Emergency Food Pantry and Resource Center; Former Board Member, El Sobrante HOA
Mark Thomson	Martinez	Shell Oil – Information Technology Manager	City of Martinez Peace Committee; Friends of Franklin Hills; Keep Our Open Space Committee; Mt. Diablo Peace Center; Save Mt. Diablo; Boy Scouts