



To: Board of Directors
From: Steve Leighton, Fire Chief
Date: February 15, 2023
Subject: Consider Electing the Candidates for the Regular and Alternate Special District Representatives to El Dorado LAFCO

Background

The El Dorado County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) has closed the nomination period for a regular Special District representative seat to serve a four-year term, beginning no sooner than May 2023, and ending May 2027. The following nominations have been received for the following candidates:

- 1) Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District
- 2) Tim White, El Dorado Hills County Water District (EDH Fire)

Please rank each nominee in the order of preference using “1” for your first preference, and “2” for the second. There are two seats that are up for election and two nominees, therefore, whomever receives the highest number of votes in this election will serve as the Regular member, and the second candidate will serve as the Alternate member.

Recommendation

Elect a Regular and Alternate candidate for the Special District representative to serve on the El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission.



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March 31, 2023

Subject: Election of a Regular and Alternate Special District Representative to LAFCO

Dear Special District Selection Committee,

Thank you for submitting nominations for LAFCO Special District representatives. Please note there are two seats up for election, a Regular and Alternate seat, each will serve a four-year term, beginning June 2023 and ending May 2027. The nomination period is now closed, nominations have been received for the following candidates:

- 1) Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District
- 2) Tim White, El Dorado Hills County Water District (EDH Fire)

An election ballot and a copy of each candidate's nomination and statement of qualifications is enclosed with this letter. Please place this matter on the agenda of your next regularly scheduled meeting.

Please rank each nominee in the order of preference using "1" for your first preference, "2" for second. There are two seats that are up for election and two nominees, therefore, whomever receives the highest number of votes in this election will serve as the Regular member, the second candidate will serve as the Alternate member.

The voting period will be 61 days from March 31, 2023; all votes are due in writing on or before **5:00 pm on May 31, 2021**. Voting will cease on this date. Please do not forget to have the presiding officer (Board President or Chair) of the board meeting in which you made your selection sign the returned ballot. **If any of these requirements are not met, the ballot will be considered invalid.**

Please contact the LAFCO office at (530) 295-2707 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Shiva Frentzen
Executive Officer

Enclosures

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COMMISSIONERS

Public Member: Bill Wilde • Alternate Public Member: Dawn Hodson

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ELECTION BALLOT

Special District Representatives to LAFCO Regular and Alternate Seat

The election ends on May 31, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Rank the nominees in preferential order, "1" being the first preference, "2" being the second. The highest ranked candidate will win the Regular seat, the second will win the Alternate seat.

Name, District	Ranking
Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide Public Utility District	1 2
Tim White, El Dorado Hills County Water District (EDH Fire)	1 2
District has decided not to vote in this election please circle →	NO VOTE

**Please return this ballot with or without a vote.
 If you choose NO VOTE, the presiding officer's signature is still required.**

NAME OF VOTING DISTRICT:

Meeks Bay Fire Protection District _____

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER:

Note: Presiding Officer is the Chair/President. Any other signature invalidates this ballot.

PRINTED NAME OF PRESIDING OFFICER (Required):

Edward I. Miller _____

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or
Mail to: El Dorado LAFCO
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AGENDA ATTACHED (Optional): Yes _____ No _____



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SPECIAL DISTRICT NOMINATION

Special District Representative to LAFCO

Position	Nominee's Name	Originating District
Special District Representative	Michael Saunders	Georgetown Divide Public Utilities District

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER: *Mitch MacDonald*
(Original Signature Required)

Note: Presiding Officer is the Chair/President. Any other signature invalidates this ballot, unless accompanied by Meeting Minutes designating an alternate.

PRINTED NAME OF PRESIDING OFFICER: Mitch MacDonald
(Required)

NAME OF NOMINATING DISTRICT: Georgetown Divide Public Utilities District

MINUTES ATTACHED (Optional): Yes No

Nominations must be received by LAFCO before

5:00 p.m. on March 30, 2023

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RESOLUTION NO. 2023-13
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
NOMINATING A REPRESENTATIVE TO
THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is a state maned local agency composed of seven regular Commissioners, two of whom represent independent special districts; and

WHEREAS, the LAFCO Special District Selection Committee is conducting an election of a Special District representative to serve a four-year term, beginning May 2023 and ending May 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD) has been invited to nominate a representative to LAFCO by March 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors previously nominated Director Michael Saunders to fill an open seat on January 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Director Saunders has again expressed an interest in representing Special Districts on LAFCO and has submitted his Statement of Qualifications (Attached); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT THAT Director Michael Saunders is nominated as a Special District representative to LAFCO and directs the General Manager to submit the Nomination Form and Statement of Qualifications by March 30, 2023.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District at a meeting of said Board held on the 14th day of March 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Stovall, Saunders, Thornbrough, Seaman, MacDonald

NOES: NONE.

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: NONE.



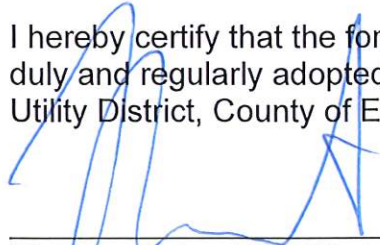
Mitch MacDonald, President, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
Attest:



Nicholas Schneider, Clerk and Ex officio
Secretary, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution 2023-13 duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, County of El Dorado, State of California, on this 14th day of March 2023.



Nicholas Schneider, Clerk and Ex officio
Secretary, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

ATTACHMENT

1. Saunders Statement of Qualifications

Statement of Qualifications
March 2023

I am currently serving on the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Board of Directors. I have been on the Board since 2018 during that time I have served as Treasurer, Vice-President, and President of the Board; I currently am the Legislative Liaison. I represent the District on the Executive Committee for the Regional Water Authority and I am also on the Region 3 Board for the Association of California Water Agencies. I have been a member of various workgroups for the State with the Department of Water Resources working on recommendations and guidelines for the various water use efficiency standards and agency reporting requirements for water shortages, and the new water annual supply and demand report.

I am currently the Alternate Special District Representative on El Dorado LAFCO serving since 2019. During my time on LAFCO, my committee work has included the Ad hoc Budget Committee, Ad Hoc Grand Jury Committee, Small Water District MSR Review Committee, and the Executive Officer Recruitment Committee. I have been engaged and involved at the local level and have participated at the State level with CaLAFCO.

I bring my knowledge and experience of Special Districts and governance to LAFCO. I will continue to work with staff and electeds to ensure their agencies are accurately reflected in their municipal service reviews. I will strive to make sure as a Commissioner that LAFCO decisions allow for transparency, that LAFCO will share and communicate all information, and work with agencies, boards, and communities in the evaluation and promotion of the efficient provision of services within El Dorado County. If re-elected, I will continue to be a resource to our Special District members, agencies, the community, and the public. I humbly ask for your vote to continue to represent Special Districts on the El Dorado LAFCO Commission.

Thank you,

Michael Saunders,
Board of Directors
Georgetown Divide Public Utility District

Alternate Commissioner, Special District Member
El Dorado LAFCO



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SPECIAL DISTRICT NOMINATION

Special District Representative to LAFCO

Position	Nominee's Name	Originating District
Commissioner	Timothy White	El Dorado Hills County Water District

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER: _____

(Original Signature Required)

Note: Presiding Officer is the Chair/President. Any other signature invalidates this ballot, unless accompanied by Meeting Minutes designating an alternate.

PRINTED NAME OF PRESIDING OFFICER: John Biraudo
(Required)

NAME OF NOMINATING DISTRICT: El Dorado Hills County Water District

MINUTES ATTACHED (Optional): Yes No

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EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, February 16, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Girauo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Directors in attendance: Bennett, Durante, Girauo, Hartley, and White. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, Real Property Negotiations; upcoming expiration/potential extension/alternatives to current lease of Career Development Center; 4697 Golden Foothill Pkwy, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762 (APN: 117-100-009-000); District Negotiator: Bob Kuhl (KW Commercial) and Chief Johnson; Property owner's Representative: Cole Sweatt (Tri Commercial)**
- B. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6; Conference with Labor Negotiators; Agency Designated Representatives: Finance Committee, Directors Girauo and White, Chief Johnson; Employee Organization: El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters, Local 3604; Discuss Local 3604's written request to meet and confer**
- C. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(D)(1): Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Thomas and Helen Austin v. The County of El Dorado, et. al.; El Dorado County Superior Court Case No. 21050633**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:11 p.m. No action was taken in Closed Session.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Minutes of the 859th Board meeting held January 19, 2023**
- B. Approve Financial Statements and Check Register for January 2023**

Director Durante made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director White and unanimously carried.

V. PRESENTATION

- A. Presentation by former volunteer Lieutenant, Bob Grant – Item taken after Item VI-B. Bob Grant, former Department volunteer, presented some information and a memory book about the Department's history.**

excellent additions to the Department. He also highlighted an incident where the crews provided superior customer service.

XII. COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION REPORT

- A. CRRD Report** – Chief Fields reported the activity from the CRR Division for January.

XIII. FISCAL ITEMS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve Board member registration and travel to 2023 training conferences** – Director of Finance Braddock presented a list of educational opportunities for the Board members and requested approval for the Board members to attend and be reimbursed for applicable travel expenses.

Director Bennett made a motion to Board member registration and travel to 2023 training conferences, seconded by Director White and unanimously carried.

- B. LAFCO Special District Nomination** – Director White requested the Board’s support and nomination for the LAFCO Special District seat.

Director Durante made a motion to nominate Tim White to fill the LAFCO Special District representative seat, seconded by Director Bennett and unanimously carried.

- C. Review and approve Resolution 2023-01 of appreciation for retired El Dorado County CAO Don Ashton** – Chief Johnson reported that El Dorado County CAO Don Ashton has retired and he is requesting approval of a resolution of appreciation to present to him.

Director White made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-01 of appreciation for retired El Dorado County CAO Don Ashton, seconded by Director Durante and unanimously carried.

XV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Training Facility Update** – Chief Hall reported that the training facility project is on schedule, on budget and the progress is amazing to watch.
- B. EDHCSD/EDHFD 2x2 update (Directors Bennett and Durante)** – No report.
- C. Review and approve updated Master Services Agreement with PBK-WLC Architects** – Chief Johnson stated that WLC Architects merged with PBK Architects, and the original Master Services Agreement has expired. Staff is asking the Board to approve an updated Master Services Agreement.

Director White made a motion to approve updated Master Services Agreement with PBK-WLC Architects, seconded by Director Durante and unanimously carried.

Timothy J. White

Nominee, El Dorado County Special District Representative

El Dorado County LAFCO

Statement of Qualifications

I am currently one of the two Special District Commissioners on the El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) and have been nominated by my fellow directors at the El Dorado Hills Fire Department (EDHFD), as well as the Board of Directors of the El Dorado Hills Community Services District, to run for re-election for a full 4-year term as a Special District Commissioner.

My qualifications and background information are as follows:

- EDHFD Board of Directors- December 2018-present. Vice-president 2020, President 2021. Have served, or am serving on, the following Board Committees:
 - Finance
 - Strategic Planning
 - Joint Powers Authority
 - Ambulance Deployment
 - Community Risk Reduction Services
- El Dorado Hills Area Planning Advisory Committee (APAC) - voting member- 2015-present. Chair- 2016 and 2017. Vice Chair-2018-present. APAC is a volunteer group of residents that review proposed residential and commercial developments in the El Dorado Hills area and provide comments and written reports addressing resident concerns on those projects to the El Dorado County Planning Commission and the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors.
- Appointed as an alternate member by the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to the 2022-2023 Charter Review Committee.
- UCCE Master Gardener of El Dorado County since 2016.
- I am a native Californian, a graduate of the University of San Francisco and of the University of Los Angeles School of Law. Practiced law for 30 years concentrating in business-financial law, with an emphasis in international transactions.

As a LAFCO Commissioner since January 2022, I have supported and encouraged efforts to make LAFCO more efficient and cost-effective, particularly with respect to oversight of Special Districts. I have the time, interest, and ability to serve as an effective LAFCO Commissioner. I listen to others, respect differing opinions, and will work collaboratively with everyone to ensure our common goal of El Dorado County being a desirable place to live.

I will continue to represent the Special Districts in El Dorado County by making sure that we have a voice in the LAFCO process- that our various unique and specific interests are heard.