

**To:** Board of Directors

**From:** Steve Simons, Fire Chief

**Date:** March 7, 2019

Subject: Instant Runoff Election of Regular and Alternate Special District Representative to

El Dorado County LAFCO

## Background

El Dorado County LAFCO has two available seats up for election. One is for the position of Regular Member and the other is for Alternate Member. Both are four-year terms. They are requesting that the district vote, in order of preference, from the list of three candidates. The candidate's resumes are included for your review.

## Recommendation

Decide on the ranking of each of the candidates and authorize President Miller, as presiding officer, to sign the ballot.



## LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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# MEMO

DATE: February 20, 2019

TO: Special District Selection Committee

José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer-FROM:

SUBJECT: Instant Runoff Election of Regular and Alternate Special District

Representative to El Dorado LAFCO

# Election of Special District Representative to LAFCO

Thank you for submitting nominations for the Special District Representatives election.

At the time a minimum number of ballots are received to establish a quorum, in order to be selected as a LAFCO Representative, a nominee must receive more than fifty-percent (50%) of the submitted votes. If none of the candidates receive the necessary majority of votes, LAFCO will conduct an "instant runoff election" in the interest of avoiding the additional costs of a runoff election. An informational explanation describing this election process is included for your convenience.

Also enclosed with this memo you will find a ballot and a copy of each candidate's Statement of Qualifications received as of the date of this memo.

Please note that there are two seats that are up for election. Whomever receives the highest number of votes in this election will serve as the regular member for a new fouryear term - the second top vote getter will serve as an alternate member for a four-year

Please take the opportunity to fill out the ballot, ranking each nominee in the order of preference using "1" for your first preference, "2" for second, and so on. It is okay to vote for only one person; however, ranking additional candidates will not help defeat your firstchoice candidate. Please do not mark the same number beside more than one candidate and do not skip numbers.

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The nominees, in alphabetical order, are:

- Holly Morrison
- Michael Saunders
- Michael Seligsohn

### Election Deadline

The voting period will be 79 days from February 20, 2019; all votes are due in writing on or before **5:00 pm** on **May 10, 2019**. Voting will cease on this date or whenever a quorum of special districts is reached, whichever occurs later. 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 the presiding officer is unable to vote, the legislative body of the district may designate another board member to cast the ballot in place of the presiding officer. Board members designated by their district board to vote in place of the presiding officer should provide that authorization (in the form of a resolution or minute order) to LAFCO no later than the time the ballot is cast. District managers or other staff members may not substitute their signature for the presiding officer's signature.

Additionally, if the presiding officer has changed since the last Special District Representative Election, please provide supporting documentation to LAFCO about the change so that LAFCO staff can update its records.

If any of these requirements are not met, the ballot will be considered invalid.

Thank you for your time and please feel free to contact me or any member of my staff at (530) 295-2707, if you have any questions.

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Meeks Bay FPD

# **ELECTION BALLOT**

# Special District Representative to LAFCO Regular AND Alternate Seat

The election ends on MAY 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. or until a quorum of Special District ballots is received, whichever occurs later.

Rank the nominees in preferential order, "1" being the first preference, "2" being the second, and so on.

Name, District	Ranking		
Holly Morrison, Cameron Park CSD	1	2	3
Michael Saunders, Georgetown Divide PUD	1	2	3
Michael Seligsohn, Hillwood CSD	1	2	3
District has decided not to vote in this election (please circle →)	N	o v	DTE

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER (Original Signature Req	uired):
Note: Presiding Officer is the Chair/President. Any other signa	ture invalidates this ballot.
PRINTED NAME OF PRESIDING OFFICER (Required):	Email to: lafco@edlafco.us OR
AGENDA ATTACHED (Optional): Yes No	Mail to: El Dorado LAFCO 550 Main Street, Suite E Placerville, CA 95667

# **IMPORTANT**

Please return this ballot with or without a vote. If you choose not to vote, the presiding officer's signature is still required.

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## **Holly Morrison**

El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Special District Representative Candidate

I would be honored to be re-elected by the Special Districts to the El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to serve as a Special District Representative. Having been a resident of Cameron Park and El Dorado County for over 16 years, I have observed many changes. I have found it to be very exciting to have a say and would like to continue to offer a hand in helping to form the many opportunities for positive growth and change over the next few years. As a small business owner of a home-based canine board and care service, "The Dogs' House", I have a vested interest in maintaining, growing, and improving the quality of life for the Special Districts of El Dorado County.

My current community involvement is as follows:

**July 2015 to present** – Elected – <u>Commissioner, El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)</u>
Representing Special Districts of El Dorado County.

December 2014 to present – Elected – <u>Board Member, Cameron Park Community Services District (CPCSD)</u>
January 2006 to present – Elected – <u>President and Board Chairperson</u>, El Dorado Dog Owners Guild (EDDOG)

Non-profit 501(c)3. Responsible for fundraising activities, board/volunteer management, building of first off-leash dog park on the Western Slope of the Sierra Nevada Foothills, Hacienda Dog Park, Cameron Park, and community dog parks, El Dorado Hills.

### March 2013 to present - Appointed - El Dorado County Community Action Council (EDCCAC)

District 2 Representative. EDCCAC acts as an advisory panel to the County Community Services Department and Board of Supervisors on issues affecting low income resident of the County. Its purposed is in coordination of resources and addressing major concerns, such as homelessness.

Appointed by County Supervisor Ray Nutting March 2013, Elected Vice Chair August 2014. Re-appointed by County Supervisor Shiva Frentzen September 2014.

### April 2013 to April 2016 - Cameron Park Envision Forum

- "Cameron Park is a community committed to sustainable growth, while providing access to local and regional education, recreation, health care, and economic opportunities. Preservation of our social, cultural and natural resources is the key element for development, planning and stewardship."
- 1. Transportation design that unifies Cameron Park and its bike and pedestrian-friendly urban transit opportunities.
  2. An interconnecting regional park and trail system that supports a healthy and mobile lifestyle. 3. An architecturally cohesive, walkable downtown that promoted economic vitality to the region. 4. The sustainable integration of environmentally sensitive natural resources. 5. The enhancement of a safe and secure community.

**June 2014 to June 2016** – <u>Mature Leadership Council</u> – The Mature Leadership Council functions to assess and help implement the interests of older adults in the greater Cameron Park area.

**August 2014 to August 2015** – <u>Rebuilding Together/Safe@Home</u> – El Dorado County – Steering Committee This program provides minor repairs and modifications for county seniors that improve accessibility and safety within the home. The work is performed year-round by trained volunteers.

**Work Experience:** 8 years National Major Accounts Client Services Representative – WebEx Communications, Inc./Cisco Systems – San Jose, CA & Rancho Cordova, CA; Regional Account Manager – San Francisco Giants and Oakland Athletics Baseball Clubs; Regional Territory Manager – SF Giants "Build the Ballpark" Campaign; Regional Account Manager – First Data/Comerica Bank Merchant Banking Services – San Jose, CA; Educator – California & Colorado.

**Education:** San Francisco State University – Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) English Literature; Post Graduate Studies – Teaching Credential, licensed in California & Colorado

My interests and focus are in fire and public safety, parks and recreation, youth programs and senior citizen activities in conjunction with thoughtful development throughout the County. I would welcome selection to continue as your El Dorado County LAFCO Special District Representative.

Best Regards, Holly Morrison / 3025 Granada Court, Cameron Park, California 95682 / 530.676.9699

My educational background includes a Bachelor of Science from Cornell University in Nutritional Biochemistry and a Doctor of Medicine from Howard University. I was a Clinical Dietitian at Daughters of Jacob Nursing Home, Dietary Program Director for the Nursing Home's Adult Day Care Program, a Medical Doctor at Boston Medical Center Department of Orthopedics, and a Published Researcher. I am currently the Treasurer on the Board of Directors for the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD). Prior to my election as a Director, I served as Secretary for the GDPUD Finance Committee. I volunteer in several organizations which involve communication, education, and interaction with the community. I attend various County Commissions and Agency meetings to keep up to date and informed of the issues within our County..

I will bring my experience with participation in various boards, working with finances and budgets, and working in advocacy and governance. In working with the commission, I would bring my knowledge of the public services and utilities which our special districts provide including water supply, wastewater treatment and disposal, waste disposal, parks and recreation, and fire district services, and advocate the promotion of the efficient delivery of our special district resources while maintaining the rural nature of El Dorado County as it relates to decisions which are brought before the commission.

Thank you,

Michael Saunders Director, Treasurer Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Regarding Michael J. Seligsohn, Chairman and Director of Hillwood Community Service District

Michael Seligsohn has been on the board of directors of the Hillwood Community Service District (HCSD) since 2011 when he was appointed to fill a vacancy, and has been reelected to the board three times. In 2012 his peers selected him as vice chairman, a post he held until elevated to Chair in 2017. Seligsohn and his family moved to Shingle Springs in 2000 and quickly immersed themselves in the community, engaging with Buckeye Schools PTC, Scouting, and Youth Sports. Michael has been deeply involved in Boy Scouting for nineteen years, serving as Den Leader, Cub Master, Troop Committee Chairman; as well as on the El Dorado District Committee. Michael Seligsohn is also a member of the local Elks Lodge where he chairs the Scouting Service Committee and is a member of the Youth Services Committee.

Professionally Michael Seligsohn has been a Peace Officer for over thirty years. He began his career in San Francisco where he served for twenty years. In 2008 he joined the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office as a deputy sheriff, and is presently a Sheriff's Sergeant assigned to patrol.

### INSTANT RUNOFF ELECTION PROCESS

### Introduction

The following procedure implements the instant runoff voting method for determining the winner in a fictional "Central Division Director" election. A process, similar to the one explained below, will be utilized in determining the LAFCO Special District representative(s).

### **Ballot Specifications and Directions to Voters**

A voting ballot shall allow a voter to rank candidates for the Central Division Director in order of choice. All candidates are listed on the ballot with one additional slot for a write-in candidate. The voter may include no more than one write-in candidate among his/her ranked choices. Directions provided to voters shall conform substantially to the following specifications:

Vote for candidates by indicating your first-choice candidate, your second-choice candidate and so on. Indicate your first choice by marking the number "1" beside a candidate's name, your second choice by marking the number "2" by that candidate's name, your third choice by marking the number "3," and so on, for as many choices as you wish. You are free to rank only one candidate, but ranking additional candidates cannot help defeat your first-choice candidate. Do not mark the same number beside more than one candidate. Do not skip numbers.

### **Ballot Counting**

The ballots cast shall be tabulated and the result declared by the Central Division Election Coordinator after review by the Central Division Election Review Committee using the following procedure:

- The first choice marked on each ballot shall be counted. If any candidate receives a majority of the first choices, that candidate shall be declared elected.
- If no candidate receives a majority of first choices, the candidate who received the
  fewest first choices shall be eliminated and each vote cast for that candidate shall
  be transferred to the next-ranked candidate on that voter's ballot. If, after this
  transfer of votes, any candidate has a majority of the votes from the continuing
  ballots, that candidate shall be declared elected.
- If no candidate receives a majority of votes from the continuing ballots after a
  candidate has been eliminated and his/her votes have been transferred to the nextranked candidate, the continuing candidate with the fewest votes from the

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continuing ballots shall be eliminated. All votes cast for that candidate shall be transferred to the next-ranked continuing candidate on each voter's ballot. This process of eliminating candidates and transferring their votes to the next-ranked continuing candidates shall be repeated until a candidate receives a majority of the votes from the continuing ballots. This candidate shall be declared elected.

### Example:

Three candidates: Smith, Jones and Marks

60 voting cards are submitted:

- · Smith is ranked 1 by 25 voters
- · Jones is ranked 1 by 20 voters
- · Marks is ranked 1 by 15 voters

In the first round no one receives a majority, 31 votes

Thus, Marks is eliminated and those cards that had Marks ranked 1 is reviewed for their second choice.

- Smith is ranked 2 on 10 of the of the 15 cards
- · Jones is ranked 2 on 3 of the 15 cards.

Thus, Smith wins with 35 votes and Jones is second with 23 votes.

Note: Only 13 votes were counted in round two because two of the Marks cards only had first choices.