San Diego County
Local Agency Formation Commission
Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
CITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 18, 2025
10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

County of San Diego Administration Center
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302
San Diego, California 92101

Moderator, LAFCO Executive Officer

Carlsbad	Chula Vista	Coronado	Del Mar	El Cajon	Encinitas
Escondido	Imperial Beach	La Mesa	Lemon Grove	National City	Oceanside
Poway	San Diego	San Marcos	Santee	Solana Beach	Vista

The Cities Advisory Committee is responsible for helping to inform the Commission and Executive Officer on all germane items relating to San Diego LAFCO's regulatory and planning responsibilities affecting cities. The current Committee has been called by the Executive Officer to review and provide ongoing feedback on LAFCO's FY2025-FY2026 adopted workplans. All 18 cities in San Diego County are represented on the Committee by the city manager or their designee and have one vote. Each city may also appoint one or more alternates. The Executive Officer is also a non-voting member and serves as moderator and is responsible for scheduling meetings.

The Committee will hold the September 18, 2025 special meeting in person at the County of San Diego Administration Center (1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302, in San Diego). Three-hour visitor parking is available using the Ash Street entrance. In person attendance by the public is welcomed. The public may also watch, listen, and otherwise participate in the meeting remotely by any of the following options.

1. The public may watch and listen to the meeting live on YouTube using the link provided on our website homepage (www.sdlafco.org).

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   a) The public may provide eComments on any item by emailing to erica.sellen@sdcounty.ca.gov

      - eComments received before 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, will be forwarded to the Committee and posted online before the meeting. They will also be referenced during the meeting.

      - eComments received during the meeting and before the subject item is concluded will be read into the record by staff subject to the three-minute limit.

The Committee may proceed with the meeting, even where there is a disruption that prevents the Committee from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public or from receiving public comment from members of the public using a call-in option or internet-based service option, unless such disruption prevents a member of the Committee is participating under Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e) or (f).

1. **10:00 A.M. – CALL TO ORDER BY MODERATOR**

   a) **Roll Call**
   b) **Pledge Of Allegiance**

2. **AGENDA REVIEW**

3. **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

4. **CONSENT ITEMS**

   a) **Approval of Meeting Minutes for December 19, 2024 (action)**
   The Committee will consider draft summary minutes prepared for the last meeting held on December 19, 2024. Recommendation to approve as presented. (Pages 5-12)

   b) **Progress Report on 2025-2026 Workplan (information)**
   The Committee will receive an update on the adopted workplan and activities related to the 30 special projects scheduled for 2025-2026. Information only. (Pages 13-18)

   c) **Proposed Update to the Study Schedule (action)**
   The Committee will receive an update on the Commission's rolling five-year study schedule. This update is intended to gather feedback on staff's intent to shift the coverage period from FY2025–2029 to FY2026–2030, ensuring alignment with the Commission's adopted workplan. The schedule continues to outline municipal service reviews identified in the workplan while recognizing that some studies may extend beyond a single year. The item is being presented for information with the opportunity for the Committee to pull for discussion and provide additional feedback. Information only. (Pages 19-28)

   d) **Legislative Report (information)**
   The Committee will receive a report on active legislation relevant to the San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission's (LAFCO) regulatory and planning responsibilities. The item is being presented for information with the opportunity for the Committee to pull for discussion and provide additional feedback. Information only. (Pages 29-32)

5. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

   a) **Update on Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Grant (SALC 2.0) (discussion)**
   The Committee will receive an update on the Commission's ongoing Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) planning grant, known as "SALC 2.0." This project is being conducted in partnership with the County of San Diego's Planning and Development Services and builds on findings from the initial SALC grant to analyze economic challenges facing small-scale agricultural operations and identify policy solutions. SALC 2.0 is currently in its fifth phase to develop a strategic plan for incentives, technical assistance, regulatory improvements, and other support mechanisms for small-scale agriculture. LAFCO staff seeks Committee input on two key topics: incorporating agricultural analysis into the municipal service review program and establishing a regional working group to promote affordable water access for farmers – including potential city participation. (Pages 33-38)

   Contact: Michaela Peters, Analyst II

BUSINESS ITEMS CONTINUED…

b) **Update on High Priority Project | Municipal Service Review on the San Diego Association of Governments (action)**
The Committee will receive an update on LAFCO's scheduled municipal service review of the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) – one of 10 high-priority projects in the approved work plan. This update responds to earlier Committee requests for regular briefings on high-priority municipal service review projects and is intended to ensure members can provide input on behalf of all cities regarding the document's preparation, including its current scale, scope, and performance measures developed to date. Staff seeks feedback on current and pending project activities. The item also provides the Committee with an opportunity to consider establishing a subcommittee to offer more focused input on the review's development, including the formulation of specific recommendations. (Pages 39-46)

Contact: Meghan Traynor, Analyst I

c) **Current Workplan Update on High Priority Project | Municipal Service Review on Wholesale Water Agencies in San Diego County (action)**
The Committee will receive an update on LAFCO's scheduled municipal service review of wholesale water agencies in San Diego County – one of 10 high-priority projects in the approved work plan. This project includes a comprehensive review of the San Diego County Water Authority (CWA) and a proportional review of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MET). The item is presented for feedback consistent with earlier Committee requests for regular briefings on high-priority municipal service review projects and is intended to ensure members can provide input on behalf of all cities regarding the document's preparation. The item also provides the Committee with an opportunity to consider establishing a subcommittee to offer more focused input on the document's development, including the formulation of specific recommendations. (Pages 47-50)

Contact: Priscilla Mumpower, Assistant Executive Officer

6. LAFCO EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

7. OPEN EXPRESSION
This time is reserved for any member of the public to address the Committee on germane topics that are not directly part of the agenda. This includes requests for future Committee topics. Individuals are limited to three minutes.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Attest to Posting:



Erica Sellen
Committee Secretary

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