

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Hybrid In-Person/Video/Teleconference Meeting
To be held at Kern Council of Governments (KernCOG)
1401 19th Street Suite #300
Bakersfield, CA 93301
Meeting of **October 16, 2024** - 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS		ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS	
David Couch - Kern County BOS		Phillip Peters - Kern County BOS	
Jeff Flores** - Kern County BOS		Eric Arias - City of Bakersfield	
Andrae Gonzales - City of Bakersfield		Maria Perez - City of McFarland	
Saul Ayon* - City of McFarland		Vacant - Special District	
Eric Bruen - City of Ridgecrest		Jose Gonzalez - Public Member	
Gary McKibbin - Special District Member		Virginia Mello - Public Member	
Les Clark III - Special District Member			
Vince Zaragoza - Public Member			
Barbara Fowler - Public Member			
	*Chair **Vice Chair		

AGENDA

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING REMOTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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Members of the public who wish to make written comments during the meeting please email the Clerk at: clerk@kernlafco.org. Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record. If a comment is received after the comment portion of the meeting but before the meeting is adjourned, the comment will still be included as a part of the record of the meeting but will not be read into the record.

1. **ROLL CALL**
2. **INVOCATION**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **VIDEO CONFERENCE EMERGENCY REQUEST (if necessitated)** *Vote Required*
Possible requests from commissioners to attend remotely pursuant to [Government Code \(GC\) Section 54953\(f\)\(1\)](#) (as amended by Stats. 2022, Ch. 285, Sec. 1)
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
 - a. [September 18, 2024, Meeting Minutes](#) *Vote Required*

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This portion of the meeting is reserved for people desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda and over which the Commission has jurisdiction. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state your name and address for the record before making your presentation.

7. **DETERMINATION PROCEEDING**

None

8. **NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. 1828 - City of Bakersfield: *Vote Required*

City of Bakersfield Annexation No. 711 (Taft Hwy. No. 4)

This proposal is to annex approximately 1,058.92 acres of land consisting of four parcels located south of McCutchen Road, east of Old River Road, north of Engle Road on both sides of Taft Highway. This annexation was initiated by the City and multiple property owners for the purpose of multi-use development. The surrounding properties are residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural and open ground. This proposal does not have 100% landowner consent. The applicant has been notified that notice, hearing, and protest hearing will not be waived. (*Resolution*)

9. **COMMISSION ITEMS**

None

10. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- a. Approval of Monthly Expense List No. 24-09 *Vote Required*
- b. Office Lease Agreement *Vote Required*
- c. Request for Signature - SB 1209 (Cortese): indemnification (Update) *Vote Required*
- d. Executive Officer Miscellaneous Items Informational

11. **CLOSED SESSION**

- a. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to GC. § 54954. (f). Agency designated representative: Chairperson; Unrepresentative employee; Executive Officer.
- b. Closed Session Meeting Minutes May 15, 2024, *Vote Required*

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next scheduled meeting **Wednesday, December 4, 2024**

NOTE TO THE PUBLIC

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION - If you are an applicant for, or a participant in (actively supporting or opposing) any proceeding on the agenda and have made a campaign contribution of \$250 or more to or for any of the Commission members, state law provides for disqualification of Commissioner voting, or even prohibition of such gifts. These restrictions also apply to agents of applicants or participants. Please consult with Commission staff as to the requirements of the Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 84308). This statement is not a comprehensive summary of the section.

DISABILITY ACCOMODATIONS - A request for disability-related accommodations should be made to the Executive Officer no later than 8 days before the need for the accommodation.

For additional information on the above items please contact the Kern Local Agency Formation Commission at 5300 Lennox Ave Suite 303, Bakersfield CA 93309, or phone us at 661-716-1077