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KATE McKENNA, AICP
Executive Officer

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 2, 2016

TO: Members of the Independent Special District Selection Committee
c/o District General Managers, Fire Chiefs and CEOs

FROM: Kate McKenna, AICP, Executive Officer



SUBJECT: Ballot for Election of LAFCO Commissioner - Special District
Regular Member (Due April 8, 2016)

This memorandum transmits a ballot, voting instructions and candidate information for the election of one Independent Special District Regular Member to serve a four-year term on the Local Agency Formation Commission of Monterey County. Please forward the ballot and information to the legislative body of your District for voting and signature by the presiding officer (Board President) or designee. Vote for one of the three candidates. The deadline to return the ballot is April 8. LAFCO may extend this deadline if more time is needed to obtain ballots from a majority of Districts.

A second ballot, for election of one Special District Alternate Member, will be issued after the election of a Regular Member. Sequential balloting is in accordance with adopted procedures, to ensure diversity in representation.

Thank you for participating in the election process. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Enclosures:

Ballot and Voting Instructions
Candidate Information (3)

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March 2, 2016

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT SELECTION COMMITTEE

FOR ELECTION OF ONE REGULAR SPECIAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE TO LAFCO

Voting Instructions:

1. The presiding officer of the legislative body of the District or the legislative body's alternate officer is authorized to vote. Please vote for one candidate. A majority of Districts must return ballots in order to conclude the election. The candidate receiving the most votes will be elected to a Regular Member seat.
2. Please return this ballot to LAFCO of Monterey County at P.O. Box 1369, Salinas, CA 93902 or at 132 W. Gabilan Street, Suite 102, Salinas, CA 93901, or by FAX at 831-754-5831.
3. **Deadline** - Ballots must be received in the LAFCO office by April 8, at 5:00 p.m. LAFCO may extend this deadline if more time is needed to obtain ballots from a majority of Districts.

PLEASE VOTE FOR 1 CANDIDATE (REGULAR MEMBER SEAT):

Grant T. Leonard
North County Recreation and
Park District

Warren E. Poitras
Monterey County Regional
Fire District

Stephen Snodgrass
Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community
Services District

VOTING MEMBER SIGNATURE: _____

INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT: _____

DATE: _____

Special District
Regular Member Candidate

Grant T. Leonard
North County Recreation and Park District

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Executive Officer
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT SELECTION COMMITTEE

NOMINATION FORM TO DECLARE CANDIDACY AND REQUEST NAME AND STATEMENT ON BALLOTS FOR ONE REGULAR POSITION AND ONE ALTERNATE POSITION ON THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF MONTEREY COUNTY

Due Date: March 01, 2016

Nominations will be considered to fill the four-year terms for one Regular seat and one Alternate seat for an Independent Special District Commissioner on the Local Agency Formation Commission of Monterey County. Both terms will expire in May 2020.

Nomination Deadline and Process:

Nominations must be received in the LAFCO Office by March 01, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Qualified persons may submit their own nominations using this form (no Board action is needed). You may email the completed form to mckennak@monterey.lafco.ca.gov OR fax it to 831-754-5831 OR mail it to P.O. Box 1369, Salinas, CA 93902 OR hand-deliver it to 132 W. Gabilan Street, Suite 102 in Salinas.

Nomination Statement:

"GRANT T. LEONARD, hereby declare myself a candidate for the election to the position of Regular or Alternate Commissioner of the LAFCO of Monterey County. I am an elected or appointed Monterey County Independent Special District board member residing within the county and not a member of a legislative body of a city or county. I request my name be placed on the official ballot and, if elected, I will qualify and accept the office of Regular or Alternate LAFCO Commissioner for which I am selected and serve to the best of my ability."

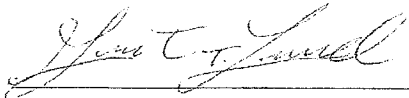
Nominee Information:

Name: Grant T. Leonard
Address: 11261 Crane Street Castroville, CA 95012
Phone and e-mail: leonardgt@yahoo.com 408-332-1412
District represented: North County Recreation and Park District
Your position with the District: Board President
Number of years as a District Board Member: 1+

Candidate Statement for the Ballot:

Please give reasons for wanting to be an elected LAFCO Commissioner and briefly summarize qualifications and background:
I'm pleased to submit my nomination to serve as a Commissioner for LAFCO Monterey County. LAFCO plays an important role in land use decisions for Monterey County, and it is because of my deep caring for Monterey County that I wish to help LAFCO in its mission to make decisions that encourage the orderly growth of cities and districts; protect agricultural lands and open space; discourage urban sprawl, and ensure the efficient delivery of local government services.

With a background in urban and regional planning, and three years of experience in regional transportation planning for the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, I bring a skill set tailored to the work of LAFCO. Additionally, as Board President of the North County Recreation and Park District, I can speak to the needs of special districts in Monterey County, as well as the contributions special districts give to our community.

Signed: 

Name (Print): GRANT T. LEONARD

Date: 2/16/16

Thank you for your interest in serving on LAFCO of Monterey County.

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Special District
Regular Member Candidate

Warren E. Poitras
Monterey County Regional Fire District

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Nomination Statement:

"I, Warren E. Poitras, hereby declare myself a candidate for the election to the position of Regular or Alternate Commissioner of the LAFCO of Monterey County. I am an elected or appointed Monterey County Independent Special District board member residing within the county and not a member of a legislative body of a city or county. I request my name be placed on the official ballot and, if elected, I will qualify and accept the office of Regular or Alternate LAFCO Commissioner for which I am selected and serve to the best of my ability."

Nominee Information:

Name: Warren E. Poitras ("Pete")
Address: 13 Via Las Encinas Carmel Valley, CA 93924
Phone and e-mail: (831) 659-3837 info@weddingphotographercarmel.com
District represented: Monterey County Regional Fire District
Your position with the District: Board President
Number of years as a District Board Member: Total years: Eight (Two Carmel Valley Fire Protection District - Six Monterey County Regional Fire District.

Candidate Statement for the Ballot:

Please give reasons for wanting to be an elected LAFCO Commissioner and briefly summarize qualifications and background:
Candidate statement attached.

Signed: Warren E. Poitras

Name (Print): Warren E. Poitras

Date: 02-10-16

Thank you for your interest in serving on LAFCO of Monterey County.

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LAFCO Nomination Form
Attachment
02-10-16
Warren E. Poitras

Over the next four years, special districts seem poised to experience an increase in annexations sought by some of the larger cities in Monterey County, annexations that will inevitably impose significant revenue losses to special districts abutting these municipalities unless care is taken to ensure fair and equitable property tax revenue sharing agreements are adopted as the annexation unfolds.

I have now served four full years as an *alternate* commissioner with LAFCO Monterey County, participating in deliberation process as multiple annexations were considered, but as an alternate unable to actually vote. This has given me invaluable experience, enabling me to effectively represent the interests of all special districts which I hope to do as a *voting* member of the LAFCO Commission.

For those who may not know me, I am President of the Board of the Monterey County Regional Fire District, and was recently elected President of the Special Districts Association of Monterey County. I am a retired Detective Sergeant from the Carmel Police Department.

After more than four decades as a law enforcement investigator, I can interact positively with people from all walks of life and at every financial level. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Administration of Justice, and am a graduate of the FBI National Academy. I am a past president of the Rotary Club of Carmel Valley and have served on the Board of the Carmel Youth Center.

This extensive history in public service enables me to view issues from all sides and reach consensus. Economic prosperity requires vision and planning so that sensible growth is not completely stifled, yet safeguards remain in place to ensure our quality of life does not deteriorate over time. I would be honored to represent Special Districts as a Monterey County LAFCO Commissioner and humbly ask for your endorsement.

Sincerely,

Warren "Pete" Poitras

Special District
Regular Member Candidate

Stephen Snodgrass
Pajaro / Sunny Mesa
Community Services District

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Nomination Statement:

"I, Stephen Snodgrass, hereby declare myself a candidate for the election to the position of Regular or Alternate Commissioner of the LAFCO of Monterey County. I am an elected or appointed Monterey County Independent Special District board member residing within the county and not a member of a legislative body of a city or county. I request my name be placed on the official ballot and, if elected, I will qualify and accept the office of Regular or Alternate LAFCO Commissioner for which I am selected and serve to the best of my ability."

Nominee Information:

Name: Stephen Snodgrass
Address: 1705 Covenant Lane, Royal Oaks, CA 95076
Phone and e-mail: 831-763-0695 SSnodgrass@gmail.com
District represented: Pajaro/Sunny Mesa CD
Your position with the District: Treasurer
Number of years as a District Board Member: 7 years

Candidate Statement for the Ballot:

Please give reasons for wanting to be an elected LAFCO Commissioner and briefly summarize qualifications and background:

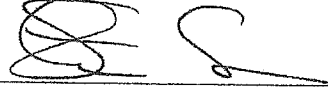
I have served as the Special Districts Commissioner for the last 4 years & previously as the alternate. I have attended 100% of the meetings & I believe my experience as a 3 term President of a medium size Special District as well as over 40 years experience in finance provided a unique & necessary quality to the Commission.

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I would very much appreciate your support
in continuing to serve.

Thank you

Signed:



Name (Print):

Stephen Smalgrass

Date:

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Thank you for your interest in serving on LAFCO of Monterey County.

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