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Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission

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January 6, 2022 (Agenda)

Local Agency Formation Commission
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101

Appointment of Public Member and Alternate Public Member

Dear Members of the Commission

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City, County, and Special District Members of the Commission appoint **Shane Stark** as the Public Member and **Jim Richardson** as the Alternate Public Member through March 1, 2025.

DISCUSSION

In August 2021 Public Member Roger Welt submitted a letter resigning from the Commission for family health reasons.

In response, the Commission authorized the opening of a 30-day application period. The notice was sent out on November 8, 2021 with a closing date of December 8, 2021. An Ad-Hoc Committee of Commissioners Aceves, Geyer and Hartmann was appointed to screen applications, conduct interviews and recommend replacement appointments to the City, County and Special District members of the Commission.

Three applications were received for the positions of Public Member and one for the Alternate Public Member. All three candidates were interviewed by the Ad-Hoc Committee that recommended Shane Stark be appointed as Public Member and Jim Richardson as the Alternate Public Member, each to complete the unexpired terms of office through March 1, 2025.

The Commission policy on the selection of Public Members and Alternate Public Members is set forth below. Government Code Section 56325 requires that selection of the public

Commissioners: Roger Aceves ♦ Cynthia Allen ♦ Jay Freeman ♦ Craig Geyer ♦ Joan Hartmann ♦ Steve Lavagnino
Holly Sierra ♦ Shane Stark ♦ Etta Waterfield, Chair ♦ Vacant, Vice-Chair ♦ Das Williams **Executive Officer:** Mike Prater

member and alternate public member be supported by at least one of the members in each of the other categories, i.e., City, County and Special District members.

The Commissioner Handbook states “The method for selecting Public members is determined by the regular City, County and Special District members, as follows.

- a. A public announcement of the vacancy to solicit letters of interest.
- b. The Commission may appoint a committee consisting of a City member, County member and Special District member to screen applications and letters of interest.
- c. Finalists are selected and interviewed by the committee, which shall recommend an appointment to the Commission.
- d. The Commission, in open session, considers the recommendation and appoints an individual as the Regular and Alternate Public Member.

This process has been followed and the Ad-Hoc Committee has made a recommendation. The Commission, in open session should consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee and appoint the Regular and Alternate Public Members.

Attachments

Attachment A – Shane Stark Application

Attachment B – Jim Richardson Application

Attachment C – Sadie Stern Application

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Prater".

Mike Prater
Executive Officer

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APPLICATION: PUBLIC MEMBER

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Also, you may email your application to lafco@sblafco.org.

DATE: November 16, 2021

NAME: Shane Stark

ADDRESS: 336 Mohawk Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

PHONE: (805) 708-8762 (mobile), (805) 966-3985 (home)

E-MAIL: sstark336@gmail.com

PRESENT OCCUPATION: Retired Attorney, Alternate Public Member SBLAFCO

Please consider this application for: Regular Member

Are you an officer or employee of the County, a City or Special District within Santa Barbara County or another local agency? NO.

Due to your current employment or occupation, do you anticipate any conflicts of interest regarding decisions you will be asked to make as a LAFCO Member? If so, please explain. NO.

ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP(S): Alternate Public Member, SBLAFCO, Director, CALAFCO.
Director, League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara

TWO (2) REFERENCES (NAME AND PHONE):

Alan Seltzer (805) 570-3193

Jim Laponis (805) 448-6766

Please see attached resume (2 pages). Additional references provided on request.

S// Stephen Shane Stark

November 16, 2021

ATTACHMENT A

STEPHEN SHANE STARK

Member of California Bar (#63779). Admitted to Bars of United States Supreme Court, 3rd, 9th and District of Columbia Circuit Courts of Appeals.

- Retired, not in active practice. Consult and teach public official ethics laws.

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION 2015-present

- Alternate Public Commissioner
- Member, CALAFCO Board of Directors (Coastal Region) (Elected 2021)

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SANTA BARBARA 2010-present

- President, LWVSB Education Fund [501(c)(3)] (voter education services) 2010-2021
- Member, LWVSB Board of Directors (since 2021 consolidation)
- Member, LWVSB Elections Study Committee.
- Wrote reference memo on legal and policy issues concerning district v at-large city elections. (2014-2015)
- Explain State and local ballot measures at community forums (2008-2020)

INTERIM COUNSEL SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION 2010-2011

- Commission's negotiator for civil service rules amendments.
- Commission Counsel in disciplinary hearings; drafted findings and decisions.

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE 1987-2008

- Appointed County Counsel 1994. Re-appointed to new 4-year term 3 times. Advised Board of Supervisors and other county officials on civil matters and managed litigation against county. Retired January 2008.
 - Originated and chaired Cost Shift Committee of California County Counsels Association, tracking changes to state and local government funding laws.
 - Authored handbooks on public official ethics training (Owlet's Guide to Public Business) and public law (Eaglet's Guide to Public Law).
 - Member of County Legislative Program Committee reviewing State legislation
 - Member of Debt Advisory Committee reviewing debt and finance proposals.
 - Received Lindholm Legacy Award from County Counsels' Association (for outstanding contributions and leadership); received CSAC circle of service award twice (for cost shift committee and work on mandate protection measure).
- Promoted to Chief Deputy 1990 managing land use litigation and later land use and general civil advisory divisions. [Includes supervision of and action as LAFCO Counsel.]
- Began county service in 1987 as Deputy County Counsel - land use litigator. Tried and argued on appeal cases challenging county actions, including two State Supreme Court cases.
 - Citizens for Goleta Valley v. Board (CEQA regarding project alternatives)
 - Morehart v. County (antiquated lot merger condition preempted by Map Act)
 - ARCO v. County & State Lands (defeated claim for denying offshore oil platform)
 - Wright v Goleta Water District (settlement of groundwater litigation)

FEINSTEIN & GOURLEY LAW FIRM 1985-1987 (Los Angeles)

Private law practice, representing businesses, cities, and environmental groups

ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY, CITY OF SANTA MONICA 1978-1985

- Second in charge of full-service city attorney's office, managing municipal law, civil litigation and criminal divisions. Acting City Attorney.
- Litigated numerous cases in state and federal trial and appellate courts, including Supreme Courts of California and the United States. (On team unless indicated otherwise.)
 - Defended constitutionality of rent control initiative. (Several published decisions.)
 - Defended airport noise regulations v preemption and commerce clause challenge.
 - Briefed and argued Stein v Santa Monica, holding that putting an initiative on the ballot is ministerial act not subject to CEQA
 - Counsel of record for amicus in U.S. Supreme Court in Fisher v. Berkeley, holding rent control law exempt from antitrust laws.
- Negotiated Airport Agreement with Federal Aviation Administration that settled litigation, preserved airport operations and provided for performance-based noise abatement ordinance.

LAW TEACHER, UNIVERSITY OF WEST LOS ANGELES 1975-78.

- Taught various courses at law school and paralegal school.

ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1968-1974

- Trial lawyer – civil rights defense, environmental and consumer protection, juvenile prosecution. Significant cases include:
 - Estate of George P. Marshall – caused racially restrictive clause to be stricken from will of owner of football team.
 - Mills v Board of Education – defended case that established civil rights of special education students.
 - Campbell v. Rogers – defended DC Corrections in 8th amendment challenge to conditions in D.C. Jail
 - Murphy v. Dare to Be Great – enjoined pyramid scheme selling “greatness.”

Law Clerk/Court Clerk to Hon. Edward A. Beard, D.C. Court of General Sessions Judge. (1968)

Personal

Born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Graduated Friends' Select School.

AB University of Denver (1964)

LLB George Washington University Law School (1967)

Married to Patricia Reilly Stark, retired city employee. Four grown children: Sarah, Becky, Sam, and Nadene. Three grandchildren: Lucy, Aurora and Ivan.

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DATE: 12-8-2021

NAME: JIM RICHARDSON

ADDRESS: 881 KOLDING AVE, SOLVANG, CA 93463

PHONE: 805-660-3331

E-MAIL: JRNJIM@VERIZON.NET

PRESENT OCCUPATION: RETIRED

Please consider this application for: Regular Member Alternate Member Either Position

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AMERICAN LEGION
ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP(S): SOLVANG SENIOR CENTER

TWO (2) REFERENCES (NAME AND PHONE):

TRACY BEARD - SOLVANG CHAMBER 805-688-0701

MARK INFANTI - SOLVANG COUNCILMAN 805-697-6581

Jim Richardson 12-8-21
Signature Date

Jim Richardson

Resume

Born and raised in Southern California.

Served U.S. Air Force

Retired from computer Industry in 2000

Served on Solvang Planning Commission 2000-2001

Served Solvang Parks and Rec Commission 2005

Appointed to Solvang City Council 2005

Elected to Solvang City Council 2006

Elected Mayor Solvang City 2008. Served until 2018

Served on SBCAG 2010 -2018 Chair 2016

Served SBAPCD 2010-2018 Chair 2014

Served SBLAFCO 2013-2018

Currently serving as Board President Solvang Senior Center

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DATE: 11 | 12 | 21

NAME: Sadie Stern-Bustillos

ADDRESS: 6720 Calle Koral 107

PHONE: 805 570 5075

E-MAIL: Rancho Palomins SB@gmail

PRESENT OCCUPATION: Exec. Dir. 501(-)3

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NO

ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP(S): n

TWO (2) REFERENCES (NAME AND PHONE):

Georgette Friedman 805-708-1005

Jessica Armstrong 805-722-7619



Signature

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Date