

Resolution No. 2022-23-12
of the Local Agency Formation Commission of Mendocino County

Adopting the
Final Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Year 2023-24

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Act of 2000, the Mendocino Local Agency Formation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”, annually adopts a budget pursuant to Government Code Section 56381(a) to fulfill its purposes and functions that are set by State law; and

WHEREAS, at a minimum, the proposed and final budget shall be equal to the budget adopted for the previous fiscal year unless the Commission finds that reduced staffing or program costs will nevertheless allow the Commission to fulfill the purposes and program of this chapter pursuant to Government Code Section 56381(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino Local Agency Formation Commission has heretofore approved a Proposed Budget for the Commission and held a duly noticed public hearing as required by law on May 1, 2023 for the purpose of developing a Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Final Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget and Work Program have been circulated to all affected agencies pursuant to Government Code Section 56381(a); and

WHEREAS, the Commission hereby advises member agencies of the potential necessity to incrementally increase agency apportionment rates in the fiscal years to follow in order for the Commission to achieve its expanding state mandated responsibilities, consistent with Government Code Section 56381; and

WHEREAS, the Commission heard and fully considered all evidence presented at a duly noticed public hearing held on the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Final Budget and Work Program on June 5, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mendocino Local Agency Formation Commission does hereby RESOLVE, DETERMINE, and ORDER, pursuant to Government Code Section 56381, as follows:

1. The Commission hereby adopts the Final Budget for the 2023-24 fiscal year as set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto; and
2. Establishes the Work Program priorities for the 2023-24 fiscal year as identified in Exhibit B, attached hereto; and
3. Finds that the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Final Budget as set forth in Exhibit A will not result in reductions in staffing or program costs to such an extent that the Commission would be impeded from fulfilling the purpose and programs of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act; and
4. Directs the Executive Officer to forward the Final Budget, as adopted, to all the independent special districts, cities and the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforementioned Fiscal Year 2023-24 Final Budget and Work Program is officially adopted and ordered to be circulated to all affected agencies pursuant to Government Code Section 56381(a).

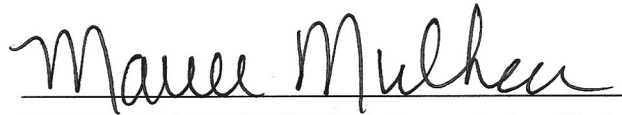
PASSED and ADOPTED by the Local Agency Formation Commission of Mendocino County this 5th day of June 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Cole, Mulheren, Horstey, Gonzalez, Rodin, McGourty, Weinkle

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:



MAUREEN MULHEREN, Commission Chair

ATTEST:



UMA HINMAN, Executive Officer

Exhibit A

Mendocino Local Agency Formation Commission Final Budget for FY 2023-2024

June 5, 2023

ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	FY 2022-23		FY 2023-24
		Adopted	Amended	Proposed
REVENUE				
4000	LAFCo Apportionment Fees	\$ 265,000	\$ 265,000	\$ 275,000
4100	Fees and Reimbursements (Includes Service Fee OH)	\$ -	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,500
4800	Miscellaneous			
4910	Interest Income	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 500
	REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 265,100	\$ 274,100	\$ 285,000
	<i>Anticipated Cash Balance</i>			\$ 56,000
	TOTAL			\$ 341,000
EXPENSES				
5300	Basic Services (EO, Analyst, Clerk)	\$ 125,100	\$ 125,100	\$ 133,000
5500	Rent	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,500	\$ 7,000
5600	Office Expenses	\$ 3,300	\$ 3,300	\$ 4,500
5700	Internet & Website Costs	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,000
5900	Publication and Legal Notices	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,000
6000	Televising Meetings	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,400
6100	Audit Services	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,800	\$ 4,000
6200	Bookkeeping	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 5,500
6300	Legal Counsel	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000	\$ 30,000
6400	A-87 Costs County Services	\$ 2,100	\$ 3,200	\$ 2,500
6500	Insurance-General Liability	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,000
6600	Memberships (CALAFCO/CSDA)	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,700	\$ 4,000
6670	GIS Contract with County	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,000
6740	In-County Travel & Stipends	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
6750	Travel & Lodging Expense	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,900	\$ 6,500
6800	Conferences (Registrations)	\$ 4,100	\$ 4,100	\$ 4,500
7000	Work Plan (MSRs and SOIs)	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 100,000
9000	Misc Exp (Special District Training Support, bank charges)	\$ 60	\$ 60	\$ 100
	OPERATING EXPENSE TOTAL	\$ 263,800	\$ 263,800	\$ 320,000
	Increase to Operational Reserves per Policy			\$ 14,025
	Increase to Work Plan Contingency			\$ 6,975
				\$ 341,000
8000	Application Fees (Revenue)			\$ 37,500
8000	Applications (Expenses)			\$ 30,000
8600	Special Projects	\$ 9,200	\$ 9,200	\$ -
	REVENUE/EXPENSE DIFFERENCE	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,300	\$ -
	<i>(Negative balance indicates use of fund balance and/or reserves)</i>			
RESERVES / CONTINGENCIES				
	Legal Reserves	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
	Operations Reserves @ 25% Annual Operating Budget	\$ 65,950	\$ 65,950	\$ 80,000
	Total Reserves	\$ 115,950	\$ 115,950	\$ 130,000
	Work Plan Contingency	\$ 30,815	\$ 30,815	\$ 37,760

Exhibit B

Final Work Program (Basic Services and Work Plan)

FY 2023-24

June 5, 2023

Tasks	Description & Assumptions	Estimated Budget
Basic Services		
Office Hours & Administrative Duties	Clerk duties not related to projects; office hours; public assistance; PRA requests; budget development, tracking, amendments; accounts payable, QuickBooks; annual audit; EO correspondence; response to requests for Agency Comments for projects and/or environmental documents routed to LAFCo for review, etc.; carrying out Commission direction.	\$ 70,000
Commission & Committee Meetings	Commission & Committee meeting attendance (12 Regular and 8 Committee); agenda packet development, staff reports, presentations, minutes.	\$ 34,000
Work Plan Support	Prepare and distribute Public Notices, development of staff reports specifically related to MSR/SOI studies, presentation at Commission meetings for Public Workshops and Public Hearings.	\$ 5,000
Consult Legal Counsel	Contract allows for a minimum of 4 hours per month.	Per Contract
Application Forms	Update application forms; map research and process clarification	\$ 8,000
Application Processing	Process change of organization or reorganization applications initiated by landowner petition or resolution of application from Cities and Special Districts to modify existing powers, annex and/or detach territory from agency boundaries, and create, dissolve, or consolidate/merge local agencies.	Paid by applicant
Policy Development	Prepare policy amendment and development as needed (overhaul)	\$ 15,000
Transparency Improvements to Website	Assess/implement website improvements (JPAs, maps, etc.)	\$ 1,000
Total		\$ 133,000
Work Plan		
MSR/SOI Update	Prepare and adopt combined Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence (MSR/SOI) Update studies pursuant to GOV \$56425 and \$56430, either in-house or by contract.	\$ 100,000
<p>The agencies listed below have priority for preparation of a LAFCo-initiated MSR/SOI Update in Fiscal Year 2023-24.</p> <p>The actual completion of a specific study may span multiple fiscal years. The budget allocation for each agency is based on estimated costs. Actual costs for study completion may be higher or lower than estimated below.</p> <p>Work Plan implementation is subject to change due to various factors, such as: (a) agency responsiveness and timely provision of requested information, (b) complexity of issues involved, (c) level of public and affected agency controversy, (d) changing needs and priorities, (e) overall staff workload, and (f) higher than anticipated costs.</p> <p>The Work Plan budget assumes minimal costs for CEQA compliance related to filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE). Agencies requesting a non-coterminous SOI may expedite a potential multi-fiscal year process by contributing to the cost of preparing an Initial Study and associated environmental document (ND/MND, EIR, etc.).</p>		
The total Work Plan Budget is not limited to the following designations. These budget allocations may shift to other agencies as needed during the year.	Coastal Water/Wastewater Districts (7 special districts, 10 mutual water companies) (initiated in FY 2022-23) Outsourced/Consultant Contract	\$ 100,000
Total		\$ 100,000