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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

30 March 19, 2024

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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JEFF LEVINSON
INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

SUNSET REVIEW FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT:

Request to receive and file our sunset review of the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. To receive and file our sunset review of the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission.

PURPOSE / JUSTIFICATION

Consistent with the California State Department of Fish and Wildlife's regulations and duties, the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission was created to help propagate and protect the fish and wildlife environment(s) of the County. The Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission is a state-mandated entity and cannot be sunsetted. Overall, the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission's efforts were generally aligned with their mission and/or goals.

The Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission has an open grant process, where they review, administer, and make recommendations for the disbursement of grants from the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Propagation Fund. The Fish and Wildlife Propagation Fund is financed from a percentage of penalty assessments collected relating to fish and game code violations in Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commissioners receive a \$25.00 stipend per meeting attendance. For Fiscal Years (FYs) 2019-20 through 2022-23, the administrative supporting staff indicated that they spent approximately \$10,997 annually for personnel, and supply costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission was created by the Board on February 6, 1952 and was originally given the name the "Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission." However, on April 5, 2016, an ordinance was issued to amend the Title 3 of the Los Angeles County Code, changing the name "Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission" to "Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission." The Fish and Wildlife Commission's name change reflected the transformation that occurred at the state level: "State Department of Fish and Game" was changed to the "State Department of Fish and Wildlife," pursuant to the California State Assembly Bill 2402. In addition, the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission is comprised of five members. Each Commissioner serves at the pleasure of the Board, and they meet on a quarterly basis.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICE (OR PROJECTS)

There are no anticipated impacts to current services and projects associated with the proposed action.

CONCLUSION

Based on our analysis, the Executive Officer of the Board recommends receiving and filing our review of the Los Angeles County Fish and Wildlife Commission accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,



John Leonard
Chair, Audit Committee

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Attachment

c: Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Fish and Wildlife Commission