



**Local Agency Formation Commission of Napa County**  
Subdivision of the State of California

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**Agenda Item 6e (Action)**

**TO:** Local Agency Formation Commission  
**FROM:** Brendon Freeman, Executive Officer **B F**  
**MEETING DATE:** August 5, 2024  
**SUBJECT:** Consider Leadership Napa Valley Sponsorship

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Commission consider the invoice from Leadership Napa Valley (LNV), included as Attachment 1, and provide direction to staff with respect to participating in the program this year or in future years.

**SUMMARY**

The Commission will consider becoming a sponsor for LNV at a cost of \$3,000 and participate in the program's government day.

LNV is a nationally recognized program that provides leadership development for community-minded individuals who want to make the Napa Valley a better place to live, work, and do business.

Participating in LNV would serve the purpose of providing outreach and education about LAFCO to aspiring community leaders throughout Napa County.

If the Commission wishes to sponsor LNV, it is recommended the Commission provide formal direction to the Executive Officer by motion. The expense would impact the Commission's Training/Conference budget account, which includes \$20,000 in total allocations during the current fiscal year.

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Brendon Freeman  
*Executive Officer*

Staff does *not* recommend sponsoring LNV *this year* based on the following:

- The \$3,000 expense would represent an impact for Napa County and the five cities/town given that these six agencies fund most of LAFCO's budget.
- The Commission's current strategic plan does not include outreach and education activities. On the other hand, the Commission's current work program does call for "proactive engagement with local agencies" which is arguably consistent with a sponsorship for LNV.
- Participating in LNV's government day would represent a burden on staff that could negatively impact the Commission's other strategic initiatives. Toward this end, staff is currently operating at reduced capacity with the extended absence of the Assistant Executive Officer.

With all of this in mind, staff recommends the Commission discuss its interest in participating in LNV in *future years* and consider providing direction to staff to communicate the Commission's intent to the County and five cities/town as part of the budget and work program process.

If the Commission chooses to sponsor LNV this year, it is recommended that the Commission also provide formal direction to staff to alert the six funding agencies along with any other desired outreach efforts, which may involve a prominent announcement on the Commission's website and/or publishing a press release in local newspapers.

## **ATTACHMENT**

- 1) Leadership Napa Valley Invoice

**Invoice**

INVOICE

[View invoice online](#)

Leadership Napa Valley  
P.O. Box 636  
Napa, CA 94559

Invoice number: 02270  
Issued: July 01, 2024

Bill to:  
Brendon Freeman  
  
LAFCO

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Item	Amount
2024-2025 Annual Sponsorship	\$3,000.00

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Total: \$3,000.00  
Balance Due: \$3,000.00

Thank you for your support of Leadership Napa Valley

Please make checks payable to:  
Leadership Napa Valley, PO Box 636 Napa, CA 94559

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