

Voting Section from TAMC Bylaws

07.VOTING

- 7.1 Except as specifically otherwise provided herein, the vote of a majority of the members of the AGENCY present at any regular, adjourned or special meeting shall be sufficient to pass or act upon any matter properly before the AGENCY, and each member of the AGENCY shall have one vote.
- 7.2 **POPULATION WEIGHTED VOTING:** Upon the call and request of any AGENCY member, present and able to vote, and a quorum being present, a weighted voting formula shall apply for any vote to be taken by the AGENCY, with each member having one or more votes based upon the population of the city or unincorporated county area such member represents. One vote will be granted to Supervisorial District 1 as its population is included in the City of Salinas.

In order for the AGENCY to take action under the provisions of this section two requirements must be fulfilled:

- a) A majority of the votes weighted by population must be cast in favor of the action, provided that not less than two member agencies vote in favor of the action; and
- b) A majority of the members vote in favor of the action.

In the event a simple majority vote on a question has previously been taken, and a weighted vote is subsequently called; a roll call vote will be taken that tabulates both the weighted vote and the members voting. The vote weighted by a majority of those voting representing a majority of the population shall supersede the previous simple majority vote, provided that the vote of a single member may not defeat an action.

- 7.3 **POPULATION:** For the purposes of determining the weighted vote of Cities or the unincorporated area of the County, the weighted vote by population shall be based on the most current Census, and AGENCY staff shall update annually based on the California State Department of Finance population estimate when it becomes available.