

CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
February 9, 2022

1. Welcome and Call to Order; Roll Call (Agenda Items 1&2)

Chair Skaredoff called the regular meeting of February 9, 2022, to order at 1:34 p.m.
The following Commissioners and staff were present:

<u>Regular Commissioners</u>	<u>Alternate Commissioners</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Igor Skaredoff, Chair	Stan Caldwell	Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer
Rob Schroder, Vice Chair	Chuck Lewis	Tom Geiger, Commission Counsel
Candace Andersen	Diane Burgis	Sherrie Weis, LAFCO Clerk
Tom Butt	Edi Birsan (absent)	
Mike McGill		
Federal Glover		
Don Blubaugh		

Announcement: Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order and local county health orders issued to address the COVID 19 pandemic, the Commission meeting is being held via Zoom videoconference. The public may listen to the meeting telephonically and comment by calling in to the teleconference meeting per the instructions on page 1 of the agenda. As required by the Brown Act, all votes taken this afternoon will be done by a roll call vote of the attending Commissioners participating via teleconference.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Upon motion by Commissioner Blubaugh and second by Commissioner McGill, the Commission unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, adopted the agenda

VOTE:
AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

4. Selection of 2022 Chair and Vice Chair and Recognition of Outgoing Chair

Upon motion by Commissioner Blubaugh and second by Commissioner McGill, by a 7-0 vote, Commissioner Schroder was named as LAFCO Chair for 2022

VOTE:
AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Upon motion by Commissioner Blubaugh and second by Commissioner McGill, Commissioner Glover was unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, named as LAFCO Vice Chair for 2022

VOTE:
AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Outgoing Chair Skaredoff was recognized by resolution for his service as 2021 LAFCO Chair. Commissioner Schroder assumed the role of Chair.

5. Approval of Minutes

Upon motion by Commissioner McGill and second by Commissioner Glover, the Commission unanimously, by a 6-0 vote approved the November 10, 2021, meeting minutes. Commissioner Blubaugh abstained because he was absent from the November meeting.

VOTE:

AYES: Andersen, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: Blubaugh

6. Public Comments

Chair Schroder invited members of the audience to provide public comment. There were no speakers.

7. Special Recognition – Pamela Miller, Executive Director, CALAFCO

Executive Officer Teixeira read a resolution recognizing retiring Pamela Miller as Executive Director, CALAFCO, noting her exemplary accomplishments and 10 years of service. Commissioner McGill is a member of the CALAFCO board, and he thanked Executive Director Miller for her excellent leadership and support.

Following Commissioner comments and upon a motion by Commissioner McGill and second by Commissioner Blubaugh, the Commission, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, adopted Resolution of Special Recognition – Pamela Miller, Executive Director.

VOTE:

AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Pamela Miller addressed the Commission stating that she was deeply honored by the resolution. She thanked Executive Officer Teixeira and Commissioner McGill for their support and service.

TELECONFERENCING

8. *Assembly Bill 361* – consider adopting a resolution authorizing LAFCO to conduct teleconference meetings under Government Code section 54953(e) and making related findings

Upon a motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Andersen, the Commission, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, approved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-01 allowing Contra Costa LAFCO to conduct teleconference meetings pursuant to GC section 54953(e) and make related findings

VOTE:
AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENTS/CHANGES OF ORGANIZATION

9. ***Dissolution of County Service Area (CSAs) R-10*** – consider approving dissolution of CSA R-10 which comprises 7.37+ square miles and serves unincorporated Rodeo and consider a categorical exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) ***Public Hearing***

Commissioner Glover stated he is currently working with the John Swett Unified School District and Rodeo Baseball Association on related matters and requested continuing this item to the April 2022 LAFCO meeting.

Chair Schroder opened the public hearing,

1. Maureen Brennan – Rodeo resident spoke in support of Lefty Gomez Baseball Facility. She stated that the park is neglected and needs funding. She asked if dissolving CSA R-10 would provide funding for the baseball facility.
2. Erin – Rodeo resident stated Rodeo is classified as a disadvantaged community and needs funding. She encouraged the Commission to look beyond the numbers.
3. Richard – Stated funding for R-10 needs to be increased. He supports property tax assessments.
4. Jan Callaghan – Stated school district is not in the business of recreation. She thanked the Commission for continuing the item.

Chair Schroder closed public hearing

Following comments and questions by the Commissioners and upon a motion by Commissioner McGill and second by Commissioner Blubaugh, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, approved continuing this matter to the April 13, 2022 LAFCO meeting.

VOTE:
AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

10. ***LAFCO 21-10 - Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD) Sphere of Influence (SOI) Expansion*** - consider expanding CCCFPD's SOI to include the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) (249+ sq. miles); and consider a categorical exemption per CEQA ***Public Hearing***

Supervisor Andersen deferred to Commissioner Burgis for the vote on this item. This was done because this the area Burgis represents, and she has worked diligently championing this item.

Chair Schroder open the public hearing.

1. Karen Rarey – Brentwood City Council member and member of the Brentwood Fire and Medical Services Committee support the boundary reorganization.
2. Erin – asked where to find emergency response performance metrics. Commissioner Burgis provided information where the information can be found.
3. Brian Oftedal - ECCFPD Chair – In support of Option 1 in the staff report

Chair Schroder closed the public hearing.

Commission Burgis acknowledged the hard work by ECCFPD noting Chief Helmick's work to educate the public and the fire board on the importance of the proposed boundary reorganization, and also thanked Contra Costa LAFCO for their work. Commissioner Glover thanked Commissioner Burgis for her leadership and thanked ECCFPD for their work.

Following comments and questions by the Commissioners and upon a motion by Commissioner Burgis and second by Commissioner Glover, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, approved Option 1, adopted LAFCO SOI Resolution No. 21-10 approving the proposed expansion of CCCFPD's SOI by 249± square miles to include the ECCFPD; made the CEQA findings as presented in the staff report, and waived the Commission's policy to allow consideration of the SOI amendment and proposed boundary reorganization at the same LAFCO meeting.

VOTE:
AYES: Blubaugh, Burgis, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

11. LAFCO 21-11 – Annexation of East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) to Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD) and Dissolution of ECCFPD *Public Hearing*

Chair Schroder open and closed the public hearing, there were no public speakers.

Following comments and questions by the Commissioners and upon a motion by Commissioner Blubaugh and second by Commissioner Burgis, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, approved Option 2 – and continued this matter to the March 9, 2022 LAFCO meeting.

VOTE:
AYES: Blubaugh, Burgis, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

BUSINESS ITEMS

12. Proposed Update to Contra Costa LAFCO's Legislative Platform– review and approve minor revisions to the Contra Costa LAFCO Legislative Platform consistent with the CALAFCO 2021 Legislative Policies.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Blubaugh and second by Commissioner McGill, the Commission, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, adoption of the updated CALAFCO Legislative Policies as the Contra Costa LAFCO's legislative platform.

VOTE:
AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

13. ***FY 2022-23 Budget Schedule and Work Plan*** – provide input on FY 2022-23 proposed budget schedule and work plan

The Commission received the FY 2022-23 budget schedule and provided input and direction regarding the work plan and schedule.

14. ***Fiscal Year 2021-22 Mid-Year Budget Report*** – receive FY 2021-22 mid-year budget report

Following Commissioner comments, and a motion by Commissioner Butt and second by Commissioner Glover, the Commission, unanimously, by a 7-0 vote, received the FY 2021-22 mid-year budget report.

VOTE:

AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Butt, Glover, McGill, Schroder, Skaredoff

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

15. ***Pending Applications*** – receive an update on pending proposals –informational update – no action required by the Commission.

16. ***Correspondence from Contra Costa County Employee’s Retirement Association (CCCERA)***

17. ***Commissioner Comments and Announcements***

Commissioner McGill updated the Commission on CALAFCO’s activities:

- November 12, 2021 CALAFCO Board Meeting
- December 3, 2021 CALAFCO Legislative Committee Meeting
- December 17, 2021 CALAFCO Executive Officer Interviews
- January 21, 2022 CALAFCO Board Meeting
- January 28, 2022 CALAFCO Legislative Committee Meeting
- March 11, 2022 CALAFCO Legislative Committee Meeting

Commissioner Lewis spoke on a recent news article regarding breaching of the levee at Pacheco Marsh. This is a \$25 million restoration project by the John Muir Land Trust. Commissioner Lewis looks forward to restoring this marsh and creating a habitat for wildlife and for people to enjoy.

18. ***Staff Announcements***

Executive Officer provided updates on application activity, the 2nd Round MSRs covering mosquito and vector control and resource conservation, and status of the directory of local agencies.

CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: Executive Officer

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Commissioners Skaredoff and Schroder

Unrepresented employee: Executive Officer

Report from Closed Session; direction provided to negotiators; nothing else to report.

The meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Final Minutes will be approved by the Commission March 9, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular LAFCO meeting is March 9, 2022, at 1:30 pm.

By  _____
Executive Officer