

CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING

May 13, 2015

June 10, 2015
Agenda Item 5

Board of Supervisors Chambers
Martinez, CA

1. Chair Rob Schroder called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. He announced that he and Commissioner Butt had been reappointed to their LAFCO seats by the Mayors' Conference.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll was called. A quorum was present of the following Commissioners:

City Members Rob Schroder and Don Tatzin.

County Members Mary Piepho (arrived at 1:37 p.m.) and Alternate Candace Andersen.

Special District Member Igor Skaredoff.

Public Members Don Blubaugh and Alternate Sharon Burke.

Present were Executive Officer Lou Ann Texeira, Legal Counsel Sharon Anderson, and Clerk Kate Sibley.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Upon motion of Tatzin, second by Blubaugh, Commissioners, by a vote of 5-0, adopted the agenda.

AYES: Andersen (A), Blubaugh, Schroder, Skaredoff, Tatzin

NOES: none

ABSENT: Glover (M), McGill (M), Piepho (M)

ABSTAIN: none

5. Public Comments

Firefighter and Vice President, Firefighters' Local 1230 Gil Guerrero spoke on the situation with East Contra Costa Fire Protection District, which is now in a state of emergency due to inadequate funding. He stated that they have lost people as a result of longer response times.

Vincent Wells, President, Firefighters' Local 1230, reiterated Mr. Guerrero's comments, reminding Commissioners that they had identified these problems in the 2009 Fire and Emergency Medical Services MSR. He asked Commissioners to agendize a discussion on auto and mutual aid agreements.

6. Approval of April 8, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Upon motion of Tatzin, second by Skaredoff, the minutes were approved by a vote of 5-0.

AYES: Andersen (A), Blubaugh, Schroder, Skaredoff, Tatzin

NOES: none

ABSENT: Glover (M), McGill (M), Piepho (M)

ABSTAIN:

7. Informational Presentation - Contra Costa Water District Drought Management Efforts

Jeff Quimby, Director of Planning for Contra Costa Water District (CCWD), was introduced by Chair Schroder. Mr. Quimby has been with CCWD for 15 years, and has nearly 20 years of experience in environmental and water resources planning. He is responsible for facilities and water supply planning, environmental permitting and compliance, acquiring grants and outside funding, watershed management, and real property activities, and now drought management efforts.

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Mr. Quimby began his presentation with a brief outline of the key points of Governor Brown's Executive Order B-29-15, issued April 1st and requiring statewide 25% reduction compared to 2013. This average varies among districts and municipalities; CCWD is required by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to reduce use by 28%. Mr. Quimby laid out the steps the district will take in order to meet this requirement without affecting the economy.

As CCWD also supplies wholesale water to a number of retail water suppliers, their required reductions will be part of CCWD's calculations.

Mr. Quimby listed the district's temporary conservation pricing adjustments, as well as the fines and penalties that will be levied for violations of the regulations that are now in place statewide. The district will also provide a number of conservation services to its customers, including rebates for lawn-to-garden conversions, free water-saving devices, etc.

Commissioners provided comments and thanked him for his presentation.

8. LAFCO 14-05 - Reorganization 186 (Magee Ranch/SummerHill): Annexations to CCCSD and EBMUD

The Executive Officer provided a brief overview of the proposal and an update on the court proceedings, noting that the item was continued from February 11, 2015 LAFCO meeting due to pending litigation

Staff also noted that LAFCO received communications from SOS-Danville and SummerHill Homes, both supporting continuing the matter to August 2015. Staff will continue to monitor the court docket for updates.

The public hearing was reopened.

Maryann Cella, with SOS Danville, thanked the Commission for continuing the public hearing and questioned why, if only 40 acres are being developed, there should be water and sewer extended to the totality of the acreage.

Commissioner Andersen, in response to this question, asked staff if this is because this is just one large parcel. Staff responded that LAFCO discourages split parcels, and that this is part of CCCSD's efforts to clean up territory that has not been annexed within its boundary.

Upon motion of Blubaugh, second by Andersen, Commissioners, by a 6-0 vote, kept the public hearing open and continued it to the August 12, 2015 meeting.

AYES: Andersen (A), Blubaugh, Piepho, Schroder, Skaredoff, Tatzin

NOES: none

ABSENT: Glover (M), McGill (M)

ABSTAIN: none

9. Adoption of Final FY 2015-16 LAFCO Budget

The Executive Officer presented the final LAFCO budget for FY 2015-16, noting funding for an agriculture and open space preservation workshop in July, preparation of a second-round fire and emergency medical services MSR, and payment to the OPEB liability fund. An approximate 4% increase in agency contributions is projected, with the use of available fund balance to offset agency contributions.

Upon motion of Tatzin, second by Piepho, Commissioners unanimously, by a vote of 6-0, commended staff's work, adopted the Final Budget for FY 2015-16, and authorized staff to distribute to the County, cities, and independent special districts as required by Government Code §56381.

AYES: Andersen, Blubaugh, Piepho, Schroder, Skaredoff, Tatzin

NOES: none

ABSENT: Glover (M), McGill (M)

ABSTAIN: none

10. Agriculture & Open Space Preservation Policy and Workshop

The Executive Officer provided an update on planning for the Agriculture & Open Space Preservation Workshop. The workshop will be held at the hearing room at the County Department of Conservation and Development building at 30 Muir Road. A final, confirmed schedule of speakers was provided. Barbara Cecchini, with the County Farm Bureau, has been added, as well as another session, "Collaboration and Smart Growth," which includes as participants Lisa Vorderbrueggen and the Building Industry Association. The final draft program will be presented in June.

11. CALAFCO 2015 Annual Conference

The Executive Officer reported that registration is now open for the CALAFCO 2015 Annual Conference, scheduled for September 2-4 in Sacramento. Details will be forthcoming; staff asked Commissioners to inform staff if they will attend.

12. Correspondence from CCCERA

There were no comments on this item.

13. Commissioner Comments and Announcements

Commissioner Piepho commented on the status of East Contra Costa Fire Protection District, and reported that she is working with the fire chiefs to see if there is anything to be done to ameliorate the situation.

Commissioners Andersen, Tatzin, and Skaredoff commented on the passing of Commissioner Schmidt on May 6.

14. Staff Announcements and Pending Projects

The Executive Officer reported that staff has begun the process for a Special District election to replace Commissioner Schmidt. An update on various legislation important to LAFCOs (specifically, AB 3, AB 402, and SB 239) was provided.

Staff thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to attend the CALAFCO 2015 Staff Workshop, held April 15-17 and noted that highlights of the workshop are included in the packet.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Final Minutes Approved by the Commission June 10, 2015.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

By _____
Executive Officer