

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES
ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

July 11, 2013

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Sblendorio called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call.

Roll was called. A quorum was present of the following commissioners:

City Members: Tim Sbranti

County Members: Nate Miley and Scott Haggerty

Special District Members: Ayn Wieskamp, Ralph Johnson and alternate Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold

Public Members: Sblend Sblendorio and alternate Tom Pico

Not Present: Wilma Chan, alternate County Member; John Marchand, City Member; Jerry Thorne, alternate City Member

Staff present: Mona Palacios, Executive Officer; Andrew Massey, Legal Counsel; Ineda Adesanya, LAFCo Planner; and Sandy Hou, Clerk

3. Welcome to Commissioner

Chair Sblendorio welcomed new alternate Special District Member, Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold who shared some brief background information on herself. Chair Sblendorio noted that former Commissioner Andrade would be invited back to a meeting for the Commission to acknowledge his service on the Commission.

4. Public Comment

Chair Sblendorio invited members in the audience to address the Commission on any matter not listed on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Commission. There were no comments.

5. Approval/Correction of Minutes

Upon motion by Commissioner Wieskamp and second by Commissioner Sbranti, the minutes of May 11, 2013 (regular meeting) and May 13, 2013 (Doolan Canyon tour) were approved.

6. Summer Youth Intern

Staff introduced Cady Oberle, a senior at St. Joseph's Notre Dame High School in Alameda who had been selected by staff via Alameda County's Youth Leadership Summer Internship Program for a 5-week summer internship. Staff expressed their confidence and enthusiasm in selecting Ms. Oberle, noting that she had attended the special districts association meeting with staff the day before and had assisted with the independent special districts selection committee election. Staff also mentioned

some of the projects that Cady would be working on. Chair Sblendorio welcomed Ms. Oberle on behalf of the commission.

7. Sphere of Influence (SOI) Update/Municipal Service Review (MSR) for East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) and Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD)

Staff provided a summary of the written report and noted two corrections to the East Bay Regional Park District MSR that had been submitted earlier in the day by park district staff:

- A correction to the statement on page 9 about the district-wide special parcel tax being applied district-wide. It is applied to all property within the district except for those properties in Murray Township which were not within the district's bounds when the original Measure AA was approved by voters. Measure WW reauthorized Measure AA.
- Correction on page 36, first bullet under *Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide*. The first line should read "EBRPD owns and/or maintains over 112,000 acres of parks, etc." The figure cited in the report of 1,457.6 square miles is actually the total amount of territory within the district's boundary. Staff noted that this will also be corrected in the resolution of approval.

There was discussion, initiated by Commissioner Pico, about the governance structure option to transfer ownership and maintenance of HARD's shoreline property to the East Bay Regional Park District – an option which Commissioner Pico stated seemed logical to him. Staff commented that the idea was suggested by HARD, but that there appeared to be no present intention to move on that option (would require the district to propose a detachment). Commissioner Wieskamp, an EBRPD board member, responded that although the two districts do work together as much as possible, operationally, EBRPD under the present financial climate, is most concerned with taking care of what it currently has.

Responding to Commissioner Sbranti's inquiry regarding the significance of an agency's SOI being smaller than its boundary, Staff concurred that typically that is an indication by LAFCo that the territory should be detached, and provided several examples besides HARD (in east county and in the eastern 'panhandle' portion of the city of Hayward).

Chair Sblendorio opened the public hearing. Larry Tong, East Bay Regional Park District staff, thanked and commended LAFCo staff and consultants on producing an excellent report and noted that the District concurs with staff's recommendations. He introduced a fellow EBRPD staff member, Bob Nesbitt, Assistant General Manager of the Land Division. As there were no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Staff explained her recommendation for HARD's SOI to be contiguous with the city of Hayward's boundary as a logical option. The park district expressed interest in aligning its boundary as closely as possible with the city of Hayward and since the district serves all of the city except the industrial area noted outside of its boundary, but within its SOI, staff recommended not reducing the SOI in that area.

With a motion by Commissioner Haggerty and a second by Commissioner Wieskamp, the commission unanimously approved the MSR and SOI updates as recommended by staff.

8. Agriculture and Open Space Preservation Policy Special Meeting Update

Staff provided highlights from the written report, pointing out that the starting time of the meeting on July 29 was 4:00 (rather than the usual time of 4:30) at the usual location of Dublin San Ramon Services District (*note: the location was subsequently changed to Dublin City Council Chambers*). In addition to publicly noticing the meeting, staff will send notices to interested parties. Commissioners requested notices be sent to members of the Cattlemen's Association, Jon Harvey of East County Board of Zone Adjustment, Dick Schneider and other participants in the recent Doolan Canyon tour. Commissioner Wieskamp remarked that the notice should include a clear explanation of the purpose of the meeting. Chair Sblendorio requested that staff email the list of interested parties compiled by staff to the Commissioners for their review and feedback.

9. Matters Initiated by Members of the Commission – There were none

10. Informational Items – Discussion, if any, or further info is noted after the item.

a. Application/Project Update

Staff noted the letter submitted to LAFCo by Zone 7 Water Agency regarding the status of its application to reorganize as an independent special district and noted that the district does not expect to submit an application for at least a year.

b. Legislative Update

c. Report on CALAFCO University – Performance Measures and MSR Strategies

Staff provided an oral report on this class that she attended.

d. 2013 CALAFCO Annual Conference at Squaw Creek Resort, August 28-30, 2013

Staff noted that, to date, 5 commissioners are planning to attend.

11. Adjournment of Regular Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

12. Next Meetings of the Commission

Special Meeting: Monday, July 29, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting: Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 4:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Sandy Hou, LAFCo Clerk

These minutes were approved by the Commission on July 29, 2013.

Attest:


Mona Palacios, LAFCo Executive Officer