# **LAFCO**

# Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission



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Commissioner Doreen Farr
Commissioner Craig Geyer, Chair
Commissioner Judith Ishkanian, Alternate
Commissioner Steve Lavagnino, Alternate
Commissioner Jeff Moorhouse
Commissioner Bob Orach
Commissioner Jim Richardson, Alternate
Commissioner Shane Stark, Alternate
Commissioner Roger Welt
Commissioner Janet Wolf

# **Minutes**

Thursday, September 1, 2016 1:00 PM

# COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM, FOURTH FLOOR 105 EAST ANAPAMU STREET, SANTA BARBARA

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# 9:00 A.M. .... Convened to Regular Session

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 10 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Farr, Commissioner

Geyer, Commissioner Ishkanian, Commissioner Lavagnino, Commissioner Moorhouse, Commissioner Orach, Commissioner

Richardson, Commissioner Stark and Commissioner Wolf

**Absent:** 1 – Commissioner Welt

# Pledge of Allegiance

## Approval of Minutes of the August 5, 2016 Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Aceves, seconded by Commissioner Stark, to approve the Minutes.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 6 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Farr, Commissioner

Geyer, Commissioner Moorhouse, Commissioner Orach and

Commissioner Stark

**Abstain:** 1 – Commissioner Wolf

#### **Public Comment Period**

Re: Santa Ynez Community Services District Sphere of Influence – Hillary Houser, Gloria Vanhirtin, Winston Craven, Mark Herthel and Karen Jones addressed the Commission.

#### **Consent Calendar**

1) Receive and file a report on disbursements for July and August 2016.

A motion was made by Commissioner Orach, seconded by Commissioner Aceves, to approve.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aves: 7 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Farr, Commissioner

Geyer, Commissioner Moorhouse, Commissioner Orach,

Commissioner Stark, Commissioner Wolf

# **Changes of Organization/Reorganizations**

- 1) Consider recommendations regarding LAFCO application 16-04 for the Formation of the Cuyama Basin Water District that was continued at the August 5, 2016 meeting and consider adoption of a Resolution that will take the following actions:
  - a) Find that the Formation is Categorically Exempt based on the creation of a District for the purpose of creating a funding mechanism, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), or alternatively CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3); and
  - b) Approve the proposal, known as the Formation of the Cuyama Basin Water District, subject to the following terms and conditions:
    - i) The name of the District shall be the "Cuyama Basin Water District;"
    - ii) The District shall be initially composed of a five-member elected Board of Directors, each of whom must be a landowner within the District;
    - iii) The District shall have those powers and responsibilities set forth in California Water Code Section 35401, namely to acquire, plan, construct, maintain, improve, operate, and keep in repair the necessary works for the production, storage, transmission, and distribution of water for irrigation, domestic, industrial, and municipal purposes, and any drainage or reclamation works connected therewith or incidental thereto;
    - iv) The District, if formed, would cease to exist if the Proposition 218 Proceeding is not conducted and an assessment to fund the District is not approved by April 30, 2017, or Santa Barbara LAFCO otherwise extends such deadline, or other arrangements are made for funding the District;
    - v) The District, if formed, would cease to exist if it does not perform the functions for which it was established, namely, participating in a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA), with the County Water Agency, and the Counties of San Luis Obispo, Ventura and Kern, and possibly, the Cuyama Community Services District; and
    - vi) Should the new Board of Directors levy any of the "Proceeds of Taxes," described above, it will establish an Appropriations Limit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Aceves, that this matter be acted on, as follows:

a) through b) Approved and Adopted; amended as follows: Directed staff to modify recommendation (b)(ii) to read, as follows:

The District shall be initially composed of a five-member elected Board of Directors, each of whom must be a holder of title to land within the District, the legal representative of a holder of title to land within the District, or a representative designated by a holder of title to land within the District, if the holder has filed with the District written evidence of that designation.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 16-28**

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 6 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner

Moorhouse, Commissioner Orach and Commissioner Stark,

Commissioner Wolf

**Noes:** 1 – Commissioner Farr

# **Business Items**

1) Consider a report on the 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference in Santa Barbara and provide direction to staff as necessary.

A motion was made by Commissioner Farr, seconded by Commissioner Orach, that this matter be approved. Directed staff to proceed forward and directed Commissioner Moorhouse to secure Mr. Jean-Michel Cousteau's participation with a donation not to exceed \$5,000.00 with the intention that, if possible, corporate sponsors would support our local LAFCO with that amount.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Farr, Commissioner

Geyer, Commissioner Moorhouse, Commissioner Orach,

Commissioner Stark, Commissioner Wolf

2) Consider nominations for the 2016-2017 CALAFCO Board of Directors and provide direction to staff as necessary.

No action taken.

3) Consider the assignment of voting delegates for the 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference.

A motion was made by Commissioner Geyer, seconded by Commissioner Wolf, that this matter be acted on as follows:

Appointed Commissioner Aceves as voting delegate and Commissioner Geyer as alternate voting delegate.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Farr, Commissioner

Geyer, Commissioner Moorhouse, Commissioner Orach,

Commissioner Stark, Commissioner Wolf

# **Information Items**

1) Receive and file results of the protest hearing for the West Santa Ynez Annexation to the Santa Ynez Community Services District.

### Received and filed report.

2) Consider review of the Santa Barbara LAFCO Commissioner Handbook Section 7; *Policy Guidelines and Standards* and Section 9; *LAFCO Budget and Financial Procedures* and provide direction to staff to return at a future meeting with any changes and or additions.

No action taken.

#### **Commissioner and Staff Announcements**

1) Commissioner Announcements and Requests for Future Agenda Items

No action taken.

2) Executive Officer's Comments

**Accepted Executive Officer comments.** 

## Adjourned at 4:17 PM

## Adjourned to

### Thursday, October 6, 2016

# Joseph Centeno Betteravia Government Administration Building Board Hearing Room 511 East Lakeside Parkway Santa Maria

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