

**Santa Barbara
Local Agency Formation Commission**

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Agenda

Thursday, August 3, 2023

1:00 PM

**JOSEPH CENTENO BETTERAVIA GOVERNMENT
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING BOARD HEARING ROOM
511 EAST LAKESIDE PARKWAY
SANTA MARIA**

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1. You may observe the live stream of LAFCO meetings in the following ways:

- Televised on local cable channel 20;
- Online at: <http://www.countyofsb.org/ceo/csbtv/livestream.sbc>; and
- YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CSBTV20>

2. If you wish to make a general public comment or to comment on a specific agenda item, the following methods are available:

- **Distribution to the Commission** - Submit your comment via email prior to 5 p.m. on the day prior to the Commission meeting. Please submit your comment to the Commission Analyst/Clerk at: natasha@sblafco.org. Your comment will be placed into the record and distributed appropriately.

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Webinar:

<https://zoom.us/j/98923192298?pwd=b3REZUdPa1ZsVFVlc2ZDbDlNWnNOZz09>

Telephone:

Dial-in: +1-213-338-8477

Meeting ID: 989 2319 2298

Passcode: 0803

Members of the public wishing to be called on for public comment should click on the “Raise Hand” button on Zoom or *9 on your touchtone phone when the item they wish to speak on has begun. When the chair calls for public comment, the clerk will announce you and will unmute your microphone at the appropriate time.

1:00 P.M. Call to Order and Roll Call**Pledge of Allegiance****Approval of Minutes of the May 4, 2023 Regular Meeting****Public Comment Period**

Persons desiring to address the Commission must complete and deliver to the Commission Clerk the form which is available at the Hearing Room entrance prior to the commencement of this comment period. This is an opportunity for members of the public to speak on items that are not on the agenda.

Consent Calendar

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Agenda and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. Matters listed on the Consent Calendar will be read only on the request of a member of the Commission or the public, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item. Members of the public may speak on any item listed on the Consent Calendar.

- 1) Receive and file a report on Disbursements for May, June and July, 2023.
- 2) Consider amendment to the 2023 Commission Regular Meeting Schedule by changing location of Commission's September 7th and November 2nd meeting, and update the calendar to reflect that there will not be any remote testimony locations between July 19th and November 7, 2023.
- 3) Receive and file 2022-2023 Year-End Report.
- 4) Consider Resolution Approving the Filing of State Disability Insurance or Paid Family Leave Application for Elective Coverage under Section 709 of the Unemployment Insurance Code.

Business Items

- 1) Consider creation of and appointment of Commission members to an ad-hoc committee to review and make recommendations regarding future Commission policies covering agricultural-urban interface concerns.
- 2) Regarding LAFCO annual audits, consider the following:
 - a) Review two proposals for preparation of a LAFCO fiscal audit and consider Executive Officer's recommendation to approve Davis Farr proposal to prepare the financial audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 with LAFCO options for financial audits for fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, and 2025 in amounts not to exceed \$12,500, \$12,900, and \$13,300. A final contract will be considered by the Commission at a future date.

- b) Determine whether the Commission should authorize the Executive Officer to request Santa Barbara LAFCO's inclusion in the Joint Multi-LAFCO Audit group.
- 3) Consider recommendations regarding amendments to Commissioner Handbook and provide direction to staff to return at a future meeting with any changes and/or additions as needed to address the effect of the Regional Water Quality Board regulations and orders regarding the Carpinteria Valley and the discharge of brine from certain agricultural operations, especially cannabis operations, as follows:
 - a) Section 7 II – Sphere of Influence Policies.
 - b) Section 7 V – Policies Encouraging Conservation of Prime Agricultural Lands and Open Space Areas.
 - c) Section 7 XII – Extending Urban Utility Services to Agricultural Parcels.
 - d) Find that the proposed actions are not a "project" under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines §15378(b)(5) in that they are organizational or administrative activities of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.
- 4) Consider making nominations to the 2023-2024 CALAFCO Board of Directors and Select voting delegates for the 2023 CALAFCO Elections.
- 5) Consider making nominations for the 2023 CALAFCO Achievement Awards and provide direction to staff.
- 6) Consider position on Assembly Bill 399 (Boerner) that proposes to amend the uncodified County Water Act of 1943 in order to changes the procedure for member agencies to detach from a county water authority. Executive Officer Recommendation - Oppose

Information Items

- 1) Receive and file a report on the 2023 CALAFCO Annual Conference in Monterey, October 18-20, 2023 and provide direction to staff as necessary.
- 2) Receive and file a report on the CALAFCO Legislative Committee meetings held on May 5, 2023 and June 16, 2023.

Commissioner and Staff Announcements

- 1) Commissioner announcements and requests for future agenda items.
- 2) Executive Officer comments.

Adjourn to**Regular Meeting on September 7, 2023.**

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