

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING

April 6, 2006

Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
Santa Maria CA

1. Chair Bob Orach called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.
2. Present were Commissioners Centeno, DeWees, Orach, Rose, Stableford and Wilson, Alternate Commissioners Firestone, Hawxhurst, Leich and Schlottmann, Executive Officer Bob Braitman and Legal Counsel Alan Seltzer. Commissioner Fox was absent.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Upon motion by DeWees, second by Rose, the minutes of the March 2, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted, with Commissioner Stableford abstaining.
5. Public Comment Period - There were no comments from the public.
6. 06-3 - Lengsfelder Reorganization: Detachment from City of Santa Barbara/Annexation to Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District

Upon motion by Rose, second by Centeno, the Commission found the proposal to be Categorically Exempt, approved the reorganization and waived conducting authority proceedings.

7. Poor Annexation to the Santa Ynez Community Services District

Upon motion by DeWees, second by Schlottmann, the Commission found the proposal to be Categorically Exempt, approved the annexation and waived conducting authority proceedings.

8. Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District

Upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Rose, this item was continued until the June 1 meeting.

9. Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates for Santa Ynez Valley Area

The Executive Officer presented an introduction to Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates in the Santa Ynez Valley.

The Commission considered and accepted testimony on each local agency individually and took the following actions.

A. City of Buellton

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Stableford, the Commission approved the Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

B. City of Solvang

After due consideration, upon motion by DeWees, second by Centeno, the Commission approved the Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

C. Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Rose, the Commission approved the Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

D. Santa Ynez Community Services District

Testimony was provided by Chris Dahlstrom, representing the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District #1 and Bobbie Martin, representing the Santa Ynez Community Services District.

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Stableford, the Commission modified "Governmental Structure Options," deleting the first two paragraphs; approved the revised Municipal Service Review determinations and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence, with Commissioner Wilson abstaining.

E. Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by DeWees, the Commission approved Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

F. Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District #1

Testimony was provided by Chris Dahlstrom and Alexandra Barnhill, representing the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District #1

After due consideration, upon motion by Stableford, second by Schlottmann, this matter was continued to the June 1 Commission meeting, with the understanding

the staff and legal counsel will work with the District to resolve any impediments to obtaining requested information.

10. Recognition of Departing Legal Counsel Alan Seltzer

Chair Orach presented a resolution and plaque recognizing Alan Seltzer for his 13 years of exemplary service as the Commission's legal counsel. Other Commissioners added their personal expressions of gratitude and best wishes for continued success.

11. Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates for the Cuyama Valley Area

The Executive Officer presented an introduction to Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates in the Cuyama Valley. The Commission considered and accepted testimony on each local agency individually and took the following actions.

A. Cuyama Community Services District

After due consideration, upon motion by Centeno, second by DeWees, the Commission approved Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

B. Cuyama Valley Recreation and Park District

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Stableford, the Commission approved Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

C. Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District

Deputy County Fire Chief Tom Franklin stated he was available to answer any questions from the Commission.

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Centeno, the Commission approved Municipal Service Review determinations as recommended and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

12. Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Casmalia Community Services District

The Executive Officer presented the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Casmalia Community Services District.

After due consideration, upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Stableford, the Commission deleted the reference to Vandenberg Village CSD, approved the Municipal Service Review determinations and affirmed the current Sphere of Influence.

13. Extension of Contract for staff Services with Braitman and Associates

Commissioner Orach presented the report of the ad hoc committee on budget and staffing that recommends there be a four-year contract with Braitman & Associates with annual compensation increases tied to the Consumer Price Index, not to exceed three percent in any one year.

After due consideration, upon motion by Centeno, second by DeWees the Commission approved the recommended actions, and directed the Agreement for Providing Executive Officer Services be presented for approval at the next meeting.

14. Financial Status Report for Fiscal Year 2005-06

After due consideration upon motion by Schlottmann, second by Rose, the Commission accepted the financial status report.

15. Upon motion by DeWees, second by Stableford, the Commission ratified the disbursements for March, 2006.

16. Proposal from CALAFCO to Increase Dues

Following discussion of this proposal, upon motion by Stableford, second by Schlottmann the Commission continued the matter to the next meeting and directed the staff to provide additional information.

17. Proposed LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-07

The Executive Officer presented the Proposed Budget and explained anticipated current year expenditures.

After due consideration, upon motion by Rose, second by Schlottmann, the Commission approved, and directed the staff to distribute the Proposed Budget and scheduled public hearings on June 1 to adopt the Final Budget and amend the processing fee schedule.

18. Assignment of LAFCO Legal Counsel

The Commission received and filed the staff report regarding the policy for obtaining legal advice and support from County Counsel. Commissioners Centeno and Rose indicated that they would discuss this matter with County Counsel Shane Stark.

19. Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County

The Commission received and filed the staff report regarding change in name from Santa Barbara Coastal Vector Control District to Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County

20. Commissioner and Staff Announcements

Commissioner Rose requested the legal counsel to explain the requirements with regard to excluding mobile home parks from a city sphere of influence and implications for future city annexations. The Legal Counsel indicated he would respond with a memorandum to the Executive Officer with copies for members of the Commission.

The Executive Officer commented on a workshop regarding sustaining agriculture in Ventura County and the potential applicability of a similar event in Santa Barbara County.

21. The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 PM.

Final Minutes Approved by the Commission
on May 4, 2006

By _____
Bob Orach, Chair