

**Santa Barbara
Local Agency Formation Commission**

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Commissioner Roger Aceves, Alternate

Commissioner Jay Freeman

Commissioner Craig Geyer

Commissioner Joan Hartmann

Commissioner James Kyriaco

Commissioner Roy Lee, Alternate

Commissioner Jorge Magana, Alternate

Commissioner James Mosby, Alternate

Commissioner Bob Nelson

Commissioner Alice Patino

Commissioner Shane Stark

Minutes

Thursday, March 6, 2025

1:00 PM

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

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1:00 P.M. Convened to Regular Session**Roll Call**

Present: 8 – Commissioner Aceves, Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Mosby, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark

Absent: 3 – Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Magana

*Chair Patino arrived at 1:04 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance**Approval of Minutes of the February 6, 2025 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Geyer to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2025 Regular Meeting

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Mosby, Commissioner Nelson, and Commissioner Stark

Oath of Office

Administer the Oath of Office to appointed Public Member Aceves, Term Ending March 1, 2027.

The Clerk of the Board administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Aceves.

Public Comment Period

No requests to speak.

Consent Calendar

- 1) Receive and file a report on Disbursements for January and February, 2025.
- 2) Approve a 4% salary increase for Executive Officer Mike Prater, setting his annual salary at \$185,196.37, effective April 1, 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Geyer to approve the Consent Calendar

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Mosby, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Patino

Changes of Organization

- 1) Consider approval of LAFCO application File No. 24-09 for the 400 North San Marcos Annexation to the Goleta Sanitary District. The Commission will consider adoption of a Resolution that will take the following actions:
 - a) Find the project is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15319(b) Annexation of Individual Small Parcels for Facilities Exempt by Section 15303;
 - b) Condition approval upon the annexed territory being liable for any existing indebtedness and authorized taxes, charges, fees and assessments of the Goleta Sanitary District;
 - c) Find the subject territory is uninhabited; all affected landowners have given written consent and the annexing agency has given written consent to the waiver of conducting authority proceedings; and;
 - d) Waive the conducting authority proceedings and direct the staff to complete the proceeding.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Stark that this item be acted on as follows:

a) through d) Approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-02

(Note: Resolution number assigned by staff after the hearing)

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Mosby, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Patino

Business Items

- 1) *CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 12, 2024* - Consider recommendations regarding LAFCO application file No. 24-04 for an Out-of-agency Service Agreement for the City of Santa Maria to provide potable water service to Santa Maria Bonita Elementary School site located at 2715 West Main Street, Santa Maria, in unincorporated area of Santa Barbara County west of the City of Santa Maria, CA. 93458 (APN 113-050-007. The Commission will consider approval of a Resolution that includes the following actions and determinations:
- a) Find that the Commission has considered the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Santa Maria Bonita School District as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., for the Bonita Elementary School Drinking Water Improvement Project SP2024-010761;
 - b) The Commission finds the service request to be in the best interests of the affected area. The Commission finds that the new potable water service to be provided responds to an existing threat to the health or safety of the public or residents of the affected territory;
 - c) The landowner shall comply with all terms and conditions set forth in the Commission's resolution of approval, including the landowners shall execute and record an agreement approved by the Executive Officer that consents to any future annexation of the territory, which agreement shall enure to and bind all successors in interest to the property; and
 - d) Said Out-of-Agency Service Agreement is for potable water service only and shall remain in effect for the useful life of the project until such time as the Commission may reconsider the agreement or an annexation is approved by the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stark seconded by Commissioner Hartmann that this item be acted on as follows:

- a) through d) Approved and adopted with the following change to the resolution:**

NOW, THEREFORE (3)(c) to read "useful life of the project, *or* until such time..."

RESOLUTION NO. 25-03

(Note: Resolution number assigned by staff after the hearing)

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Mosby, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Patino

- 2) Consider staff proposal to add an extra-help position and provide direction regarding recruitment options in addressing LAFCO's extra-help needs and allowing shifting priorities in staff's job descriptions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Nelson to approve Option 1, Option C- staff recommendation regarding adding a contract part-time Commissioner Clerk for a period of two years and bring back a draft budget in April, pending any interest by a County employee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Mosby, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Patino

Information Items

- 1) Receive and file a report on the CALAFCO Legislative Committee meetings held on February 19, 2025.

No action taken.

- 2) Receive and file report on File No. 25-01 for San Marcos Ranch annexation to the Goleta Sanitary District.

No action taken.

Commissioner and Staff Announcements

- 1) Commissioner announcements and requests for future agenda items.

Commissioner Freeman shared that later in the year he will be moving out of the Isla Vista CSD area and therefore will be stepping off the Commission at that time.

- 2) Executive Officer comments.

No action taken.

Adjourned at 1:55 p.m. to

Regular Meeting on April 3, 2025.

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Board Hearing Room

511 East Lakeside Parkway

Santa Maria

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