

**Santa Barbara
Local Agency Formation Commission**

Santa Barbara



*Commissioner Vacant, Alternate
Commissioner Jay Freeman
Commissioner Craig Geyer
Commissioner Joan Hartmann
Commissioner James Kyriaco, Alternate
Commissioner Bob Nelson, Alternate
Commissioner Jenelle Osborne
Commissioner Alice Patino
Commissioner Jim Richardson, Alternate
Commissioner Shane Stark
Commissioner Das Williams*

Minutes

Thursday, January 11, 2024
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: 10 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Richardson, Commissioner Stark, Commissioner Williams

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Kyriaco

*Commissioner Patino arrived after Business Item No. 1

Pledge of Allegiance**Approval of Minutes of the December 14, 2023 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Geyer, seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2023, Regular Meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Williams

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Patino

Abstain: 1 – Commissioner Freeman

Public Comment Period

Commissioner Stark provided comments related to League of Women Voters sponsoring objective and impartial forums for the candidates for the 1st District, 3rd District, and 4th District Supervisorial Elections.

Consent Calendar

- 1) Receive and file a report on Disbursements for December 2023.
- 2) Receive and file the 2023-2024 Second Quarter report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Osborne, seconded by Commissioner Stark to approve the consent calendar.

Ayes: 6 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Williams.

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Patino

Changes of Organization

- 1) Consider approval of LAFCO application File No. 23-03 the annexation of the property located in the unincorporated area of the County at 1330 San Antonio Creek Road, Goleta, CA., to the Goleta Sanitary District. Adoption of a Resolution includes the following actions:
 - a. Find the proposal to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 Class 1 alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, etc., involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; Section 15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures; and Section 15319(b), Class 19 Annexations of individual small parcels for facilities exempted 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 Williams seconded by Commissioner Stark that this item be acted on as follows:

a) through d) Approved and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-01

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

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Williams.

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Patino

Business Items

- 1) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair for 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Stark to nominate Commissioner Jay Freeman as Commission Chair for 2024.

Ayes: 6 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Williams.

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Patino

** The Commission will nominate and vote on a Vice Chair at the February 1, 2024 Regular Meeting after the City Selection Committee meeting is held.*

- 2) Present a Certificate of Appreciation to Commissioner Cynthia Allen.

No action taken.

- 3) Provide the Commission with a status update from the AG-Urban Ad-Hoc Committee and consider a recommendation to pursue a Sustainable Agriculture Lands Conservation Program (SALC) Grant and develop Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) between the eight Cities and the County individually to assist in establishing appropriate Spheres of Influence.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Stark to authorize staff to pursue a Sustainable Agriculture Lands Conservation Program (SALC) Grant and develop Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) between the eight Cities and County individually to assist in establishing appropriate Spheres of Influence.

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Williams.

- 4) Receive and file a report on 2023-2024 Commission Activities and adopt a Work Plan for 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann, seconded by Commissioner Patino to adopt the 2024 Work Plan with the addition of the (SALC) Grant.

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Williams.

**At this time Commissioner Williams left the meeting and Commissioner Nelson became the voting member.*

- 5) The Commission to consider approving opportunities for additional staffing support and consider adoption of the contractual agreement with Santa Cruz and Marin LAFCOs for shared services opportunities on an as-needed basis.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stark, seconded by Commissioner Hartmann to direct staff to route a drafted Shared Resources Agreement through Risk Management and return to the Commission for approval. The Commission further directed staff to reach out to Ventura and San Luis Obispo LAFCO's to see if they would be interested in joining this Shared Resources Agreement.

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

- 6) (*CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 14, 2023*) Consider the adoption of a service and sphere of influence review for the 23 agencies that provide transportation, parking, street sweeping & beautification, lighting, transit and airport services in Santa Barbara County. Adoption of a Resolution includes the following actions:

- a) Finding that the action is exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as “information collection” under Section 15306 of the State CEQA Guidelines and based on the determination that this action does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment (Section 15061(b)(3)). Find that Sections 15303 and 15319 of the State CEQA Guidelines are applicable;

- b) Determine, pursuant to Government Code Section 56425, that LAFCO is required to develop and determine a sphere of influence for the 23 affected agencies, and review and update, as necessary;
- c) Determine, pursuant to Government Code Section 56430, that LAFCO is required to conduct a service review before, or in conjunction with an action to establish or update a sphere of influence; and
- d) Adopt a Resolution approving the 2023 Countywide Transportation, Parking, Street Sweeping & Beautification, Lighting, Transit and Airport Service and Sphere Review with the following terms and conditions:
 - 1. Affirming the currently adopted Spheres of Influence of the Goleta West Sanitary District, Cuyama Community Services District, Mission Hills Community Services District, Guadalupe Lighting District, Mission Canyon Lighting District, North County Lighting District, County Service Area 31, County Service Area 41, Santa Maria Public Airport District, and Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit Districts, as shown on the map on Exhibits A, B, C, F, G, H, I, J, K, & L, and;
 - 2. Amending the Spheres of Influence of the Santa Ynez Community Services District to include Study Area #3 from Water, Wastewater MSR for Janin Acres and Western Santa Ynez areas, and Study Area #1 for the Santa Rita Hills Community Services District to include the MOA Road easement area not currently within the boundaries of the agencies, as shown on the Exhibits D and E.
- e) Update the Municipal Service Review for the Goleta West Sanitary District, five CSD Districts (Cuyama, Isla Vista, Mission Hills, Santa Rita Hills, & Santa Ynez), three Lighting Districts (Guadalupe, Mission Canyon, & North County Lighting), four CSAs (CSA 3, 11, 31 & CSA 41), one Airport District (Santa Maria), one Transit District (MTD), and eight Cities (Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta, Guadalupe, Lompoc, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, and Solvang).

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

a) through e) Approved and adopted with amendment to revise (d)(2) to state the following *“Amends the Sphere of Influence of the Santa Ynez Community Services District to include Study Area #3 from Water, Wastewater MSR for Janin Acres and Western Santa Ynez areas not currently within the boundary of the agency, as shown on Exhibit D.”* **and reorder Exhibits as necessary.**

RESOLUTION NO. 24-02

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

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Osborne, Commissioner Patino, and Commissioner Stark,

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Nelson

**Commissioner Nelson left prior to the vote on this item.*

Information Items

1) Update from CALAFCO 2024 Calendar of Events.

No action taken.

2) Receive and file a report on the UCLA Planning and Land Use Conference to be held February 2, 2024.

No action taken.

Commissioner and Staff Announcements

1) Commissioner announcements and requests for future agenda items.

No action taken.

2) Executive Officer comments.

No action taken.

Adjourned at 2:57 p.m. to

Regular Meeting on February 1, 2024.

County Administration Building
Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
105 East Anapamu Street, Fourth Floor
Santa Barbara

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