

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING

August 1, 2002

Board of Supervisors Hearing Room  
Santa Maria CA

1. Chair Dick DeWees called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners DeWees, Fox, Marshall, Orach, Alternate Commissioners Andrisek, Leich and Rogers, Executive Officer Bob Braitman and Legal Counsel Alan Seltzer. Commissioner Umenhofer participated by remote connection from Santa Barbara.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

3. The May 2, 2002 minutes were approved, as corrected.

4. The June 6, 2002 minutes were approved, with Commissioner Marshall abstaining.

5. Public Comment Period

Interested citizen Ken Taylor spoke on public dissemination of documents received at the LAFCO Office.

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6. 02- 4 - City of Santa Maria (Orcutt Apartments)

Upon motion by Orach, second by Rogers, this matter was continued to the September 5 LAFCO meeting.

7. 02-2 - County Service Area No. 11 Reorganization: Dissolution of Summerland Lighting District; Annexation to County Service Area No. 11

Upon motion by Rogers, second by Orach, the Commission, as the conducting authority, ordered the County Service Area No. 11 Reorganization without election.

8. 02-9 – St. Vincent’s Reorganization: Annexation to the City of Santa Barbara / Detachment from Goleta Water District / Detachment from Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District

Testimony was given by Kevin Walsh representing the Goleta Water District, Paul Casey and Laurie Owens representing the City of Santa Barbara, Amy Bayley and Ben Phillips representing Mercy Housing California, Jeff Palmer representing St. Vincent’s Institution, Patricia Gabel representing the County of Santa Barbara and interested citizen Ken Taylor.

The Commission received a July 30 letter from the Goleta Water District.

After due consideration, upon motion by Umenhofer, second by Orach, the Commission, certified it had reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration, amended the spheres of influence of the City of Santa Barbara and the Goleta Water District, approved the proposal as recommended and directed the staff to complete subsequent proceedings with Commissioner Fox opposed.

9. The Commission received and filed the status report on the proceedings of the Municipal Service Review Technical Task Force

10. Extension of Contract with Pamela Cosby

Upon due consideration, upon motion by Orach, second by DeWees, the Commission amended the contract with Pamela Cosby to include Tasks 3-5 with the understanding that authorizations to proceed with tasks will be with concurrence of the Technical Task Force.

11. Upon motion by Marshall, second by Orach, the Commission continued the discussion of policies for the reimbursement of expenses to the September 5 LAFCO meeting.

12. Financial Audit for Fiscal Year 2001-02

Interested citizen Ken Taylor provided testimony. The Commission received an undated letter from County Auditor Controller Bob Geis declining to perform an audit of LAFCO books and recommended the Commission engage an independent firm.

Upon motion by Marshall, second by Orach, the Commission authorized the staff to solicit proposals from Santa Barbara County accounting firms to conduct an audit of Commission finances for FY 2001-02, with Commissioner Fox opposed.

13. Discussion of Upcoming LAFCO meeting dates

Upon motion by Marshall, second by Orach, the Commission canceled the October 3 and November 7 meetings and scheduled a special meeting for October 10.

14. The Commission received the report on nominations to the CALAFCO Executive Board and took no action.

15. Year End Financial Status Report – FY 2002-03

The Commission received the year-end financial status report for Fiscal Year 2001-02.

Upon motion DeWees, second by Fox, the Commission requested the County Auditor to reduce the Fiscal Year 2002-03 budget allocation to cities, special districts and the County based on the actual year end funds available for financing the following year.

16. The Commission received a report on preparations for the annual CALAFCO Conference to be held in Santa Barbara in November. It reviewed registration materials for the annual conference that was sent to all LAFCOs.
17. Commissioner Leich asked how the Commission could be helpful or involved in insuring that new public schools are sited and financed as development occurs. The legal counsel indicated this was not a publicly noticed topic for this meeting and that he would discuss the matter with Commissioner Leich at a later time
18. The Commission supported the Executive Officer nominating San Luis Obispo LAFCO Executive Officer Paul Hood for an achievement award at the CALAFCO Conference.
19. The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

*Next regular LAFCO meeting – September 5, 2002 in Santa Barbara*

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Final Minutes Approved by the Commission  
on September 5, 2002

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Executive Officer