

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES
ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

November 13, 2014

Meeting location: Dublin San Ramon Services District Board Room, 7051 Dublin Blvd, Dublin, CA

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Sblendorio called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call.

Roll was called. A quorum was present of the following commissioners:

County Members: Nate Miley (arrived 4:55 item 6) and Scott Haggerty (arrived 5:13 item 6)

City Members: John Marchand and Tim Sbranti

Special District Members: Ayn Wieskamp, Ralph Johnson and alternate Georgean Vonheeder-Leopold

Public Members: Sblend Sblendorio, alternate Tom Pico

Not Present: Wilma Chan, alternate County Member and Jerry Thorne, Alternate City Member

Staff present: Mona Palacios, Executive Officer; Brian Washington, Legal Counsel; Nat Taylor, LAFCo Planner; and Sandy Hou, Clerk

3. Public Comment

Commission Chair Sblendorio invited members in the audience to address the Commission on any matter not listed on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Commission. There were no comments.

4. Approval/Correction of Minutes – September 11, 2014

Commissioner Pico, noting that he had not attended the September meeting, inquired about the reason for the Commission attaching a condition to the approval of the City of Pleasanton's out-of-area service agreement with property owner Hall (item 6). Staff and Chair Sblendorio responded, explaining that because the provision of water and sewer services in the unincorporated Happy Valley area has been a recurring problem, it was hoped that the condition of asking the City to report back to LAFCo within six months on the results of a study it will have completed, in consultation with the County, to identify how water and sewer services will be provided to residents in that area would help to address the problem in a substantive manner. Staff also pointed out that another concern is that it appears that the City of Pleasanton has extended services to unincorporated Happy Valley properties since 1992 without having brought them to LAFCo for consideration. That matter is still being looked into.

Upon motion by Commissioner Marchand and second by Commissioner Wieskamp the minutes of the September 11, 2014 regular meeting were approved.

AYES: 5 (Johnson, Marchand, Sblendorio, Sbranti, Wieskamp)
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 2 (Miley, Haggerty)
ABSTAIN: 0

5. CALAFCO Award Presentation

Chair Sblendorio presented a 1st place medal to Dane Stark, owner/winemaker of Page Mill Winery in Livermore for the wine submitted by Alameda LAFCo for the 2014 beer & wine competition held at the recent Annual CALAFCO Conference in Ontario, Ca. Mr. Stark thanked the Commission and graciously accepted the medal.

6. Eden Township Healthcare District (ETHD)

Following introductory remarks by Staff, ETHD Chief Executive Officer Dev Mahadevan reported to the Commission on progress made on implementing the District's strategic plan priorities. He concluded his report with a request that the Commission replace the provisional sphere of influence (SOI) designation adopted in November 2013 with a coterminous SOI for the District.

PUBLIC HEARING: Commissioner Sblendorio invited members from the public to speak.

The following people spoke in support of the District:

- Roxann Lewis, Board Member, ETHD
- Tom Lorentzen, Board Elect Member, ETHD
- Michael Cobb, Executive Director, St. Rose Hospital
- Kenneth Cohen, Association of California Health Care Districts
- Michael Marchiano, M.D., St. Rose Hospital
- Ron Hull, Board Member, ETHD

Joel Ginsberg from the office of Supervisor Wilma Chan offered comments encouraging the District to honor its commitment to support San Leandro Hospital.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

Mr. Mahadevan responded to questions and concerns from the Commission that centered on: 1) the district's long range vision toward the City of Dublin - whether it had intention of annexing the city into its boundaries or not – and 2) refinement of the District's Strategic Plan to more clearly identify its goals, priorities, and reason to exist. Staff explained the various SOI options that the Commission could consider. The discussion concluded with the Commission agreeing to remove the provisional status from the District's coterminous SOI.

MOTION & VOTE:

Commissioner Sbranti moved to adopt a coterminous SOI with the following condition:

The District will report back to the Commission within 6-12 months regarding the status of its plans with the City of Dublin and provide an update on the District's strategic plan. Commissioner Wieskamp seconded the motion. Motion passed.

AYES: 7 (Haggerty, Johnson, Marchand, Miley, Sblendorio, Sbranti, Wieskamp)
 NOES: 0
 ABSENT: 0
 ABSTAIN: 0

Commissioner Sbranti left the meeting at the conclusion of the vote on this item.

7. Fairview Fire Protection District (FFPD)

After introductory remarks by Staff, an update on the District's strategic planning efforts was provided by Consultant Mike Preston, who concluded his presentation with a request from the District for the Commission

to adopt a coterminous Sphere of Influence (SOI) and remove the provisional status that was adopted by the Commission in November 2013.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Commissioners Miley and Johnson commended the District for its noteworthy progress, but expressed concerns about the implementation of the plan and asked if the District was committed to hiring staff to implement the plan. The Consultant responded that the District would hire either a part of full time staff person or consultant.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Commissioner Sblendorio invited members from the public to speak. The following people spoke in support of the FFPD:

- Dale Silva, President of the Hayward Hills Property Owners Association
- Dennis Gould, former FFPD Board President and current member of the District's ad hoc committee
- Audie Bock, FFPD Board member

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

The Commission expressed various concerns with the strategic plan, primarily its lack of specific details on how the plan is to be implemented. Commissioner Pico asked the district if annexation into the City of Hayward or contracting with the County to contract with the City of Hayward had been considered. The Commission agreed that having an ad hoc committee meet with the District to provide guidance would be helpful. Staff explained the various SOI options that the Commission could consider. The discussion concluded with the Commission agreeing to maintain the provisional SOI with a condition.

MOTION & VOTE:

Commissioner Miley motioned to keep the provisional coterminous SOI with the following conditions:

1. The District will report back to the Commission in a year on progress made on implementing the District's strategic plan.
2. Prior to reporting back to the Commission, the District will meet with an ad hoc subcommittee of LAFCo Commissioners for guidance regarding the implementation of the strategic plan. Commissioner Wieskamp seconded the motion. Motion passed:

AYES: 6 (Haggerty, Johnson, Marchand, Miley, Sblendorio, Wieskamp)
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 1 (Sbranti)
ABSTAIN: 0

The Chair reported that Commissioners Haggerty, Miley and Vonheeder-Leopold will serve on the ad hoc subcommittee that will meet with the District.

8. Draft Alameda LAFCo Strategic Plan

Staff provided a summary of the written report and inquired if the plan captured what the Commission discussed at their Strategic Planning Session on August 27, 2014, and if it was formatted in a way to share with the public. Commissioner Wieskamp responded that Staff had done a good job of making the plan succinct. Commissioner Sblendorio offered comments about Priority Goal C and requested that the goal be reworded to reflect a more proactive role than facilitation implies. Staff indicated she would work on rewording.

Commissioners Marchand, Johnson, and Pico agreed to be on an ad hoc policy committee.

Staff noted that she would develop a final strategic plan for Commission adoption at a future meeting.

9. Matters Initiated by Members of the Commission – There were none.

10. **Informational Items** – Discussion, if any, or further information is noted after the item.

- a. Application Update
- b. Legislative Update
- c. Newspaper Articles
- d. Report on 2014 CALAFCO Annual Conference, Ontario, CA, October 15-17, 2014 in Ontario
Oral reports were provided by those who attended the conference - Staff and Commissioners Vonheeder-Leopold and Sblendorio

18. **Adjournment of Regular Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

18. **Next Meeting of the Commission**

Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandy Hou, Commission Clerk

These minutes were approved by the Commission on January 15, 2015.

Attest:



Mona Palacios, LAFCo Executive Officer