

# San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission May 21, 2020, Meeting Minutes

# Call to Order

The San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, May 21, 2020, pursuant to the COVID-19 provisions of the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 by Chairperson Tom Murray. Viewing and commenting instructions were provided on the COVID-19 Agenda Cover and LAFCO's Homepage.

#### Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Tom Murray, Commissioners Robert Enns, Debbie Arnold, Lynn

Compton, Roberta Fonzi, Marshall Ochylski, Ed Waage, and Alternate

Commissioner Ed Eby.

**Absent**: Alternate Commissioners Steve Gregory, Heather Jensen, and John Peschong.

**Staff:** David Church, LAFCO Executive Officer

Mike Prater, LAFCO Deputy Executive Officer

Brian Pierik, LAFCO Legal Counsel

Imelda Marquez, LAFCO Commission Clerk

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Chairperson Murray asked for any questions or comments from the Commissioners.

**Commissioner Ochylski** suggested a change in the wording used in the discussion about the bylaws, followed with a motion to approve the minutes.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Clerk to report if any written comments from the public were received.

**Ms. Marquez** reported that no public comments were received.

Commissioner Arnold seconded Commissioner Ochylski's motion.

AYES: Commissioners Ochylski, Arnold, Compton, Enns, Fonzi, Waage, and

Chairperson Murray

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

The motion was passed.

#### **Non-Agenda Public Comments**

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Clerk to report if any non-agenda public comments were received.

Ms. Marquez reported that no non-agenda public comments were received.

#### **Regular Matters**

**A-1:** Amendment to Employment Contract between the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission and Michael Prater (Recommend Review and Approval)

Mr. Pierik presented the item and recommended the Commission consider approval.

Chairperson Murray opened the item for Commissioner comments, hearing none.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Clerk to report if any written comments from the public were received.

Ms. Marquez reported that no public comments were received regarding this item.

**Commissioner Compton** asked for clarification on **Mr. Prater's** salary as the new Executive Officer.

**Mr. Pierik** responded saying it would be his current salary and it would be re-evaluated in six months.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Commission for any other questions or comments, hearing none.

Commissioner Ochylski made a motion to approve Staff recommendation.

Commissioner Fonzi seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Ochylski, Fonzi, Arnold, Compton, Enns, Waage, and

Chairperson Murray

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

**A-2:** Consideration of the Final Fiscal Year 2020-21 San Luis Obispo LAFCO Budget (Recommend Review and Approval)

Mr. Church presented the item.

Chairperson Murray opened the item for Commissioner comment. No comments were made.

Chairperson Murray asked the Clerk if any written comments from the public were received.

Ms. Marquez reported that no public comments were received.

**Chairperson Murray** suggested that the audit be removed from the budget for the upcoming fiscal year 2020/21.

**Commissioner Ochylski** expressed his support for removing the audit to help reduce the budget. Followed with a motion to adopt the budget and remove the audit for fiscal year 2020/21.

Commissioner Waage seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Ochylski, Waage, Enns, Arnold, Fonzi, Compton, and

Chairperson Murray

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

# **Informational Matters**

**B-1:** Study Session: LAFCO Agriculture Definitions, Policies, and Guidelines (Recommend Receive and File)

Mr. Church presented the item, followed by asking Commissioners for any questions.

**Commissioner Fonzi** asked for a discussion on quasi-legislative and how it works with land use, followed with a question on what the repercussion would be in a scenario she described.

Commissioner Waage asked for more clarification on LAFCO's role.

**Chairperson Murray** explained his thoughts on the topic and asked that Staff provide clear agriculture discussion in future Staff Reports.

Mr. Church responded to the Commissioner's questions.

Mr. Pierik added to the discussion providing clarification of quasi-legislative.

**Chairperson Murray** concluded **Commissioner** questions and asked the Clerk if any written comments from the public were received.

Ms. Marquez reported that no public comments were received.

Chairperson Murray asked for final comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Waage mentioned his support for LAFCO AG polices to remain as is.

**Chairperson Murray** received and filed the item.

**B-2:** Application Status Report – Fiero Lane, Froom Ranch, Gateway, Morro Bay Annexations, San Simeon CSD Solid Waste Activation (Recommend Receive and File)

Mr. Prater and Mr. Church presented the item and responded to questions after each proposal.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the **Commissioners** for any questions or comments after the Fiero Lane, Froom Ranch, Morro Bay Annexation, and the San Simeon Waste Water Activation slides, seeing none.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Clerk to report if any written comments from the public were received.

Ms. Marquez reported that no public comments were received.

Chairperson Murray continued to ask for Commissioner Comments after the Gateway slides.

**Commissioner Fonzi** commented on key issues in the Gateway project as some were not highlighted in the presentation.

**Commissioner Arnold** mentioned traffic issues and had a question about where the improvement money for the off-ramp will come from. Followed by clarification on LAFCO's role.

**Commissioner Compton** expressed interest in project funding and questions on how projects are feasible in certain geographical areas.

**Commissioner Enns** and **Chairperson Murray** commented on their support for the EIR Comment Letter that was sent to the City.

Mr. Prater and Mr. Church addressed Commissioner's comments.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Clerk to report if any written comments from the public were received on Gateway.

Ms. Marquez reported that no public comments were received.

**Chairperson Murray** received and filed the item.

**B-3:** Status Report – South County Agencies Sphere of Influence Update/ Municipal Service Review (Recommend Receive and File)

Mr. Prater presented the item.

Chairperson Murray asked for any questions or comments from the Commissioners.

**Chairperson Murray** commented on study area five and the benefits of including those lots to the City of Arroyo Grande.

**Chairperson Murray** asked the Clerk to report if any written comments from the public were received.

Ms. Marquez reported that no public comments were received.

Chairperson Murray received and filed the item.

# **Commissioner Comments:**

**Commissioners** gave their condolences on Paul Hood's passing.

# **Legal Counsel Comments:**

None

# **Executive Officer Comments:**

**Mr. Church** continued to speak on Paul Hood's passing. Along with updates on having Live Comments in the July Meeting.

<u>Adjournment:</u> With no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m. until the next meeting of the Commission pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, depending upon the progression of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Respectfully submitted, Imelda Marquez, LAFCO Commission Clerk