

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING

February 5, 2004

Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
Santa Maria CA

1. Chair Tom Umenhofer called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.
2. Present were Commissioners Campbell, DeWees, Fox, Marshall, Orach, Rose and Umenhofer, Alternate Commissioners Centeno, Leich, Schlottmann and Smyser, Executive Officer Bob Braitman and Legal Counsel Alan Seltzer.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Upon motion by Orach, second by Marshall, the minutes of the December 4, 2003 meeting were approved as submitted.
5. Selection of Commission Officers – February 2004 to February 2005

Upon motion by Campbell, second by Orach, Commissioner Rose was unanimously selected as Chair to serve until February 2005.

Commissioner Rose assumed the Chair and thanked Commissioner Umenhofer for his services as outgoing Chair.

Upon motion by Umenhofer, second by Orach, Commissioner Campbell was unanimously selected to serve as Vice Chair.

6. During the public comment period Ernest Armenta asked the Commission to take Agenda Item 8 regarding Municipal Service Reviews prior to Agenda Item 7 regarding the Refiled Mahoney Ranch Reorganization.
7. 02-15 – Robinson Reorganization: Annexation to the City of Santa Maria/Detachment from the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District/Detachment from the Laguna County Sanitation District.

Bill Shipsey spoke representing the City of Santa Maria.

After due consideration upon motion by DeWees, second by Marshall, the Commission extended to February 6, 2005 the time to complete the Robinson Reorganization.

8. The Commission received and filed the Executive Officer's status report on preparing Municipal Service Reviews and updating Spheres of Influence. Santa Maria City Manager Tim Ness submitted the City's completed Request for Information.

9. 03-5 – Refiled Mahoney Ranch Reorganization: Annexation to the City of Santa Maria/ Detachment from the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District/ Detachment from the Laguna County Sanitation District.

The staff report was presented, followed by testimony from Gordon Gill, representing the property owners; Cyndi Clark, representing the Santa Maria-Bonita School District; Gary Rice, representing the Santa Maria Public Airport District; Bill Shipsey, representing the City of Santa Maria and interested citizens Doris Bynum and Ernest Armenta.

The Legal Counsel explained that approving the proposal as outlined in Option 1 requires an amendment to the text of the City's Sphere of Influence to delete the requirement that the City initiate the annexation of the Tanglewood subdivision.

After due consideration, upon motion by DeWees, second by Campbell, the Commission conceptually approved the proposal as stated in Option 1 and directed the staff to present the matter for consideration, including the related sphere of influence adjustment at the next meeting, with Fox and Umenhofer opposed.

10. The Chair directed the staff to schedule a Commission discussion on the subject of agricultural preservation in the Santa Maria Valley.
11. The Commission received and filed the year-to-date financial status report.
12. The Commission approved the schedule to consider the LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2004-05. The Chair appointed an ad hoc Budget Committee of Commissioners Campbell, Orach and Umenhofer.
13. Commissioner and Staff announcements

The Commission Clerk announced that annual FPPC reporting forms would be distributed next week and should be returned to the office as early as possible.

Commissioner Campbell reported on the CALAFCO Board of Directors meeting held on January 23.

14. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Final Minutes Approved by the Commission
on March 4, 2004

By _____
Executive Officer