

**Santa Barbara  
Local Agency Formation Commission**

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*Commissioner Jay Freeman  
Commissioner Craig Geyer  
Commissioner Joan Hartmann  
Commissioner James Kyriaco  
Commissioner Jorge Magana, Alternate  
Commissioner Bob Nelson, Alternate  
Commissioner Vacant, Alternate  
Commissioner Alice Patino  
Commissioner Jim Richardson, Alternate  
Commissioner Shane Stark  
Commissioner Vacant*

**Minutes**

Thursday, January 9, 2025  
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:** 8 – Commissioner Freeman, Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Richardson, Commissioner Stark, Commissioner Lee

**Absent:** 2 – Commissioner Nelson and Commissioner Magana

\*Commissioner Lee was sworn in prior to the start of the meeting by the LAFCO Clerk and was a voting member due to Commissioner Nelson’s absence.

**Approval of Minutes of the December 12, 2024 Regular Meeting**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Stark to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2024 Regular Meeting**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

**Public Comment Period**

**No requests to speak.**

**Consent Calendar**

- 1) Receive and file a report on Disbursements for November through December, 2024.
- 2) Consider amendment to the 2025 Commission Regular Meeting Schedule by changing location of Commission’s February 6<sup>th</sup> meeting and March 6, 2025 remote meeting location.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Geyer to approve the Consent Calendar**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

**Changes of Organization**

- 1) Consider approval of LAFCO application File No. 24-05 for the 700 Via Tranquila Sphere of Influence amendment and Annexation to the Goleta Sanitary District. The Commission will consider adoption of a Resolution that will take the following actions:
  - a) Find the project is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15319(b) Annexation of Individual Small Parcels for Facilities Exempt by Section 15303;
  - b) Amend the Spheres of Influence of the annexing agency to include 700 Via Tranquila;
  - c) Condition approval upon the annexed territory being liable for any existing indebtedness and authorized taxes, charges, fees and assessments of the Goleta Sanitary District;
  - d) 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;
  - e) Waive the conducting authority proceedings and direct the staff to complete the proceeding.

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

**a) through e) Approved and adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-01**

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

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

**Business Items**

- 1) Present a Certificate of Appreciation for Commissioners Das Williams

**No action taken.**

- 2) Consider Selection of Commission Regular Public Member to four-year term and Alternate Public Member for appointment to two-year term beginning March 1, 2025.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hartmann seconded by Commissioner Lee to appoint Commissioner Stark to the Regular Public Member four-year term.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

**A motion was made by Commissioner Geyer seconded by Commissioner Lee to appoint Roger Aceves to the Alternate Public Member two-year term.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

- 3) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair for 2025.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Stark seconded by Commissioner Kyriaco to nominate Commissioner Patino to the position of Commission Chair and Commissioner Stark to the position of Commission Vice Chair for 2025.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

- 4) *CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 12, 2024* - Consider recommendations regarding LAFCO application file No. 24-04 for an Out-of-agency Service Agreement for the City of Santa Maria to provide potable water service to Santa Maria Bonita Elementary School site located at 2715 West Main Street, Santa Maria, in unincorporated area of Santa Barbara County west of the City of Santa Maria, CA. 93458 (APN 113-050-007. The Commission will consider approval of a Resolution that includes the following actions and determinations:
- a) Find that the Commission has considered the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Santa Maria Bonita School District as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., for the Bonita Elementary School Drinking Water Improvement Project SP2024-010761;
  - b) The Commission finds the service request to be in the best interests of the affected area. The Commission finds that the new potable water service to be provided responds to an existing threat to the health or safety of the public or residents of the affected territory;
  - c) The landowner shall comply with all terms and conditions set forth in the Commission's resolution of approval, including the landowners shall execute and record an agreement approved by the Executive Officer that consents to any future annexation of the territory, which agreement shall enure to and bind all successors in interest to the property; and
  - d) Said Out-of-Agency Service Agreement is for potable water service only and shall remain in effect for a period of ten-years until such time as the Commission may reconsider the agreement or an annexation is approved by the Commission.

**Chair Freeman announced there were concerns that the ten year condition could affect the ability of the petitioners to obtain grant money, therefore this item was pulled and will be brought back to the Commission at a future meeting.**

**No action taken.**

- 5) Receive and file a report on 2024-2025 Commission Activities and adopt a Work Plan for 2025.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Stark seconded by Commissioner Geyer to adopt the Work Plan for 2025.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes: 7** – Commissioner Geyer, Commissioner Hartmann, Commissioner Kyriaco, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patino, Commissioner Stark, and Commissioner Freeman

**Information Items**

- 1) Receive and file report on pending Santa Barbara LAFCO applications.

**No action taken.**

- 2) Receive and file report on CALAFCO Board January 10, 2025 meeting.

**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 2:48 P.M. to**

**Regular Meeting on February 6, 2025.**

**Joseph Centeno Betteravia Government Administration Building**

**Board Hearing Room**

**511 East Lakeside Parkway**

**Santa Maria**

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