

SONOMA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Board of Supervisors Chambers
575 Administration Drive, Santa Rosa 102A
Wednesday, September 4, 2024
2:00 P.M.

Commissioners	Alternate Commissioners	Staff
Jean Kapolchok, Chair	Ed Hodges	Mark Bramfitt, Executive Officer
Rich Holmer	Chris Coursey	Verne Ball, Legal Counsel
James Gore	Bill Norton	Cynthia Olson, Administrative Analyst
Mark Hemmendinger, Vice Chair	Jeff Okrepkie	Kasandra Bowen, Commission Clerk
Susan Gorin		
Sandra Lowe		
Susan Harvey		

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order by the Chair at 2:00pm Kapolchok, Hemmendinger, Harvey, Holmer, and Lowe. Alternates: Hodges, Norton

2. Public Comment:

Dave Ransom Santa Rosa resident: There are leadership challenges that need to be addressed. Former President Trump is looking to deport a very large quality of immigrants from this country – friends, neighbors, workers. Hope for the best, prepare for the worst.

Public comment closed

3. Consent Calendar:

3.1 Meeting Minutes: August 7, 2024

- 3.2 2024-05 Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District Annexation No. 24-0008
(McNairy)
Environmental Review: Categorical Exemption Sections 15303(d) and 15301(b)

Moved and approved as one

Motion: Harvey
Second: Holmer
Ayes: 5
Noes: 0
Abstain: 0

4. Public Hearings:

- 4.1 File No. 2023-03: Valley of the Moon Water District Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Study and Amendment of the District's Sphere of Influence (continued from August 7, 2024, meeting)
Environmental Review: Exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guideline Sections 15306 and 15061 (b)(3)

Kapolchok: Two resolutions or one needed for this?

Bramfitt: Only one necessary

Harvey: Thank you staff for the modifications that have been made and addressed.

Bramfitt: Met with the director of the district to help clear up some one of the questions that arose.

Holmer: Sonoma Developmental eventually annexed into the district – the water district still needs to be looked at. The MSR is very adequate but still having water being an issue in future for any potential annexations.

Public comment opened at 2:06pm:

David Ransom: tremendously concerned about the potential further marginalization of the working class

Public Comment closed at 2:08pm

Motion: Holmer

Second: Harvey

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

5. Regular Calendar:

- 5.1 2024-07 Russian River County Sanitation District Annexation No. 24-0178 (CDC)
Environmental Review: Exempt Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 50675.1.4(a); CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(b); CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a); and Public Resources Code Section 21080.21

Commissioner Kapolchok, Chair, to recuse herself due to conflict of interest being on the Board of Burbank housing.

Vice Chair: Hemmendinger to lead discussion

Public Comment: none

Motion: Holmer
Second: Harvey
Ayes: 4
Noes: 0
Abstain: 0

Commissioner Kapolchok return to Chambers

Public Comment opened at 2:10pm:

Virginia Chang: special district rep for San Mateo LAFCO. Running to be the special district rep on the CALAFCO board for the coastal region. Goes into brief professional background.

Public comment closed 2:16pm

6. Information/Report Items

6.1 Executive Officer's Report:

Proposed Alexander Valley water district, Ad Hoc committee meeting
Ad Hoc committee meeting met and will now be meeting with the applicants to discuss the prior meeting.

6.2 Legislative Affairs:

CALAFCO: change in legislative affairs

7. General Announcements:

Gold Ridge MSR and SOI to be on the agenda for the upcoming meeting.

Holmer: Is this one big action?

Bramfitt: the districts position is to do it as one action

Harvey: is this due to the cost?

Bramfitt: the cost wouldn't differ too much

Hemmendinger: Will Noticing be different this time around? Could the commission set different expectations for this?

Bramfitt: there was strong recommendation that was given to do more public outreach.

8. Confirm Meetings

Commission Meeting: October 2, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.: Meeting Confirmed

9. Adjournment at 2:27pm

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