



Marin Local Agency Formation Commission

Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, February 8, 2018
Marin Clean Energy | Charles McGlashan Room
1125 Tamalpais Avenue, San Rafael, California

CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR

Chair Blanchfield called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL BY CHAIR

Regulars Present: Jeff Blanchfield, Chair
Jack Baker
Damon Connolly (7:05 p.m.)
Craig K. Murray
Dennis Rodoni
Sashi McEntee

Alternates Present: Matt Brown*
Chris Skelton
Lew Kious

** voting in place of absent regular members*

AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Blanchfield asked if there were any requests for changes to the agenda. No requests were made.

OPEN TIME

Chair Blanchfield invited members of the audience to address the Commission on any LAFCO related matters not listed on the agenda. No requests were made.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All items calendared as consent are considered ministerial or non-substantive and subject to a single motion approval. The Chair or designee will also consider requests from the Commission to pull an item for discussion.

- Approval of Meeting Minutes | December 14, 2017 Regular Meeting (action)**
Staff has prepared meeting minutes for the last meeting of the Commission. The minutes are being presented for formal approval with any desired corrections or clarifications.
- Commission Ratification | Reconciled Payments from October 1 to November 30, 2017 (action)**
The Commission will consider ratifying payments made by the Executive Officer during the months of October and November. The payments cover all reconciled payroll and non-payroll expenses during the period and total \$25,445. The payments are being presented for formal ratification per adopted policies.

3. Budget Update for 2017-2018 and Year End Projections (action)

The Commission will review a report comparing budgeted and actual transactions for 2017-2018 through January 31, 2018 and its projection Marin LAFCO is on pace to finish with an operating net of \$13,685.28 or 2.5%. This projection marks a significant improvement over the budgeted operating net of (\$10,000) and is largely tied to anticipated savings in payroll costs for reasons detailed. The report is being presented to the Commission to accept and file and to provide direction as needed.

4. Update on Municipal Service Review: San Rafael / Lucas Valley Regional Study (information)

The Commission will receive a brief update on work to date as well as pending next steps on Marin LAFCO's scheduled municipal service review on public services in the San Rafael / Lucas Valley communities. The update is being presented for information only and in anticipation of bringing forward agency profiles at the next regular meeting.

5. Progress Report on 2017-2018 Work Plan (action)

The Commission will receive a progress report on accomplishing specific projects established as part of the adopted work plan for 2017-2018. The report is being presented to the Commission to formally accept as well as provide direction to staff as needed.

6. Current and Pending Proposals (information)

The Commission will receive a report identifying active proposals on file with Marin LAFCO as required under statute. The report also identifies pending local agency proposals to help telegraph future workload. The report is being presented to the Commission for information only.

7. Joint Powers of Authority | Final Notice of Agreements and Amendments (information)

The Commission will receive an update on its report identifying Joint Powers Authorities (JPAs) within Marin County that provide a municipal service as part of the requirements imposed by Senate Bill 1266. Staff has identified through the State Controller's office all of the JPAs within the County that provide a local municipal service consistent with Government Code Section 56047.7, and has provided notice to those JPAs that have not submitted copies of their agreements and amendments with Marin LAFCO. The report is being presented to the Commission for information only.

8. Time Extension for 347 and 355 Margarita Drive (action)

The Commission will consider an applicant's request for a time extension to complete the terms established by Marin LAFCO in approving the annexation of territory 347 and 355 Margarita Drive to the San Rafael Sanitation District on February 9, 2017. Staff believes the request is reasonable and recommends approval of a six-month extension. The affected parcels are identified by the County of Marin as 016-011-18 and 016-011-19.

9. Postponement of Committee Assignments (action)

The Commission will consider postponing appointments / reappointments to all of Marin LAFCO's standing committees for the 2018 calendar year until the recruitment of the Executive Officer position has been completed. This includes the (a) Policy and Personnel, (b) Legislative, (c) Public and Technical Information, and (d) Budget Committees.

Agenda Items No. 4 and No. 9 were pulled for discussion by Commissioners Murray and McEntee, respectively.

Commissioner Murray inquired about when agency profiles would be available for public review and comment. The Interim Executive Officer explained that the agency profiles would be presented at the next regular meeting which will then open up a 45-day review period for public feedback.

Commissioner McEntee suggested reaffirming special committee appointments until the Strategic Planning Workshop. Commission discussion followed.

APPROVED; M/S made by Commissioners Baker and Rodoni to approve the consent calendar and recommendations therein; all yes.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Public hearing items require expanded public notification per provisions in State Law or directives of the Commission or Executive Officer.

10. Policy Amendments

Special District Appointments to Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board District (action)

The Commission will consider recommended amendments to its existing policies governing the administration of the Procedures of Special District Appointments. The amendments address new legislation for LAFCO to conduct elections to appoint a special district representative to a consolidated oversight board tasked with completing the remaining activities of the three successor redevelopment agencies in Marin County. The amendments have been developed with feedback from the Policy and Personnel Committee and establish specific eligibility, allowances, and procedures in conducting an election ahead of the July 1, 2018 appointment deadline.

Staff gave a brief summary about new legislation impacting LAFCOs.

Commission discussion followed. Comments were received by Commissioner McEntee.

APPROVED; M/S made by Commissioner McEntee and Connolly to accept recommendations by staff to policies governing the administration on the procedures of Special District appointments with modifications.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Business items involve administrative, budgetary, legislative or personnel matters and may or may not be subjected to public hearings.

11. Approval of a New Payroll Accounting System and Related Actions (action)

The Commission will consider approving a new payroll accounting system marked by the transitioning away from the County of Marin to an independent process directly managed by Marin LAFCO through ADP Payroll Solutions. It is also requested the Commission authorize the Executive Officer to enter into a contract with ADP to provide payroll and related services as part of this transition through the end of the calendar year.

The Interim Executive Officer informed the Commission on the procedures of transitioning to a new accounting payroll system.

Commission discussion followed.

APPROVED; M/S made by Commissioners McEntee and Baker to approve a new payroll accounting system through ADP Payroll Solutions and for the Executive Officer to enter into a contract with ADP through the end of the calendar year.

12. Ratification on Selection of Executive Search Firm and Other Related Actions (action)

The Commission will consider formal ratification of the Policy Committee's recommendation and selection of Peckham & McKenney for professional services tied to the recruitment of the Executive Officer position. This includes entering into a contract agreement of \$29,000 and authorizing the Policy Committee to administer the recruitment process.

The Policy Committee spoke to the Commission on the competency and experience of the chosen executive search firm Peckham & McKenney.

Commission discussion followed.

APPROVED; M/S made by Commissioner Baker and Rodoni to formally ratify the Policy Committee's recommendation of Peckham & McKenney for their professional services tied to the search for a new Executive Officer.

13. Ratification on Selection of Commission Counsel and Other Related Actions (action)

The Commission will consider formal ratification of the Policy Committee's recommendation and selection of Best Best & Krieger (BBK) for legal services tied to the appointment of Commission Counsel. This includes entering into a contract agreement at a rate of \$250 per hour for general counsel services.

Staff explained Marin LAFCO's work plan included finding Commission Counsel and discussed three firms who submitted proposals. Staff outlined the Policy Committee's appointment of Best Best & Krieger as Commission Counsel based on their experience.

Comments were received from members of the Policy Committee. Commission discussion followed.

APPROVED; M/S made by Commissioners Murray and Baker to formally ratify the Policy Committee's recommendation of Best Best & Krieger for legal services tied to the appointment of Commission Counsel.

ADJOURNMENT TO NEXT MEETING

Chair Blanchfield adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.



Attest: Rachel Jones
Interim Executive Officer

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