

Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Clara County

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REGULAR MEETING

Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, First Floor, San Jose

April 2, 2025 - 1:15 PM

AGENDA

Chairperson: Sylvia Arenas • Vice-Chairperson: Rosemary Kamei

PUBLIC ACCESS AND PARTICIPATION

This meeting will be held in person at the location listed above. As a courtesy, and technology permitting, members of the public may also attend by virtual teleconference. However, LAFCO cannot guarantee that the public's access to teleconferencing technology will be uninterrupted, and technical difficulties may occur from time to time. Unless required by the Brown Act, the meeting will continue despite technical difficulties for participants using the teleconferencing option. To attend the meeting by virtual teleconference, access the meeting at https://sccgov-org.zoom.us/i/95010537106 or by dialing (669) 900-6833 and entering Meeting ID 965 7919 4208# when prompted.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Written Public Comments may be submitted by email to LAFCO@ceo.sccgov.org. Written comments will be distributed to the Commission and posted to the agenda on the LAFCO website as quickly as possible but may take up to 24 hours.

Spoken public comments may be provided in-person at the meeting. Persons who wish to address the Commission on an item are requested to complete a Request to Speak Form and place it in the designated tray near the dais. Request to Speak Forms must be submitted prior to the start of public comment for the desired item. For items on the Consent Calendar or items added to the Consent Calendar, Request to Speak Forms must be submitted prior to the call for public comment on the Consent Calendar. Individual speakers will be called to speak in turn. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to the time limit allotted.

Spoken public comments may also be provided through the teleconference meeting. To address the Commission virtually, click on the link <u>https://sccgov-org.zoom.us/j/95010537106</u> to access the meeting and follow the instructions below:

- You will be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you when it is your turn to speak.
- When the Chairperson calls for the item on which you wish to speak, click on "raise hand" icon. The Clerk will activate and unmute speakers in turn. Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak. Call-in attendees press *9 to request to speak, and *6 to unmute when prompted.
- When called to speak, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

- Pursuant to Government Code §84308, no LAFCO commissioner shall accept, solicit, or direct a contribution of more than \$250 from any party, or a party's agent; or any participant or the participant's agent if the commission knows or has reason to know that the participant has a financial interest, while a LAFCO proceeding is pending, and for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered by LAFCO. Prior to rendering a decision on a LAFCO proceeding, any LAFCO commissioner who received a contribution of more than \$250 within the preceding 12 months from a party or participant shall disclose that fact on the record of the proceeding. If a commissioner receives a contribution which would otherwise require disqualification returns the contribution within 30 days from the time the commissioner knows or should have known, about the contribution and the proceeding, the commissioner shall be permitted to participate in the proceeding. A party to a LAFCO proceeding shall disclose on the record of the proceeding any contribution of more than \$250 within the preceding 12 months by the party, or the party's agent, to a LAFCO commissioner. For forms, visit the LAFCO website at www.santaclaralafco.org. No party, or the party's agent and no participant, or the participant's agent, shall make a contribution of more than \$250 to any LAFCO commissioner during the proceeding or for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered by LAFCO.
- Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56100.1, 56300, 56700.1, 57009 and 81000 et seq., any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly contribute(s) a total of \$1,000 or more or expend(s) a total of \$1,000 or more in support of or in opposition to specified LAFCO proposals or proceedings, which generally include proposed reorganizations or changes of organization, may be required to comply with the disclosure requirements of the Political Reform Act (See also, Section 84250 et seq.). These requirements contain provisions for making disclosures of contributions and expenditures at specified intervals. More information on the scope of the required disclosures is available at the web site of the FPPC: www.fppc.ca.gov. Questions regarding FPPC material, including FPPC forms, should be directed to the FPPC's advice line at 1-866-ASK-FPPC (1-866-275- 3772).
- Pursuant to Government Code §56300(c), LAFCO adopted lobbying disclosure requirements which require that any person or entity lobbying the Commission or Executive Officer in regard to an application before LAFCO must file a declaration prior to the hearing on the LAFCO application or at the time of the hearing if that is the initial contact. In addition to submitting a declaration, any lobbyist speaking at the LAFCO hearing must so identify themselves as lobbyists and identify on the record the name of the person or entity making payment to them. Additionally, every applicant shall file a declaration under penalty of perjury listing all lobbyists that they have hired to influence the action taken by LAFCO on their application. For forms, visit the LAFCO website at www.santaclaralafco.org.
- Any disclosable public records related to an open session item on the agenda and distributed to all or a majority of the Commissioners less than 72 hours prior to that meeting are available for public inspection at the LAFCO Office, 777 North First Street, Suite 410, San Jose, California, during normal business hours. (Government Code §54957.5.)
- In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodation for this meeting should notify the LAFCO Clerk 24 hours prior to meeting at (408) 993- 4705.

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This portion of the meeting provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on matters not on the agenda, provided that the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Commission. No action may be taken on offagenda items unless authorized by law. Speakers are limited to THREE minutes. All statements that require a response will be referred to staff for reply in writing.

3. APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar includes Agenda Items marked with an asterisk (*). The Commission may add to or remove agenda items from the Consent Calendar.

All items that remain on the Consent Calendar are voted on in one motion. If an item is approved on the Consent Calendar, the specific action recommended by staff is adopted. Members of the public who wish to address the Commission on Consent Calendar items should comment under this item.

*4. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2025 LAFCO MEETING

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. SOUTH SANTA CLARA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT DISSOLUTION AND SANTA CLARA COUNTY CENTRAL FIRE PROTECTION ANNEXATION / SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT

Application by the Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District (CCFD) and the South Santa Clara County Fire Protection District (SCFD) for the dissolution of the SCFD, and annexation of its territory to CCFD. The application also includes an amendment to the Sphere of Influence (SOI) of the CCFD.

Recommended Action:

CEQA Action

1. As a Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), determine that the proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines §15320, Class 20.

Project Actions

- 2. Approve LAFCO Resolution 2025-01 which:
 - a. approves the Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District (CCFD) Sphere of Influence (SOI) amendment to include all lands contained in the SOI of the South Santa Clara County Fire Protection District (SCFD) and adopts SOI determinations, and
 - b. approves the dissolution of the SCFD and concurrent annexation of its territory to the CCFD, subject to the listed terms and conditions.

3. Direct the LAFCO Executive Officer to conduct protest proceedings pursuant to GC §57000.

6. PROPOSED WORK PLAN AND BUDGET FOR FY 2026

Recommended Action:

- 1. Adopt the Proposed Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.
- 2. Adopt the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.
- 3. Find that the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 is expected to be adequate to allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.
- 4. Authorize staff to transmit the Proposed Budget adopted by the Commission including the estimated agency costs as well as the LAFCO public hearing notice for the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2026 Final Budget to the cities, the special districts, the County, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara County Special Districts Association.

ITEMS FOR ACTION / INFORMATION

7. PROPOSED WORK PLAN: PHASE 2 - COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW AND UPDATE OF LAFCO POLICIES

Recommended Action: Approve the work plan for Phase 2 Comprehensive Review and Update of LAFCO Policies, and provide direction, as necessary.

*8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Recommended Action: Accept report and provide direction, as necessary.

- 8.1 Protest Letter on Great Oaks Water Company's Advice Letter 329-W: Service Area Expansion
- 8.2 Presentation on LAFCO to Leadership Morgan Hill
- 8.3 Quarterly Special Districts Association Meeting
- 8.4 Quarterly Meeting with County Planning Department
- 8.5 Santa Clara County Association of Planning Officials' Meetings

*9. SPECIAL DISTRICT MEMBER TERMS EXPIRATION

For Information Only.

*10. CALAFCO UPDATE

Recommended Action: Accept report and provide direction, as necessary.

- 11. COMMISSIONER REPORTS
- 12. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES / NEWSLETTERS
- 13. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

14. ADJOURN

Adjourn to the regular LAFCO meeting on June 4, 2025 at 1:15 PM in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose.