

MINUTES
SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD
26 April 2007

Chairperson Zlotnick called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. at the City of East Palo Alto Council Chambers, 2415 University Ave East Palo Alto, California.

1) ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairperson Zlotnick, Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD)
Director Abrica, City of East Palo Alto
Director Mossar, City of Palo Alto
Director Robinson, City of Menlo Park
Director Gordon, San Mateo County Flood Control District (SMCFCD)

Alternate Present: Peter Drekmeier, City of Palo Alto (present in audience only)

Associate Members: Pam Sturner, Watershed Council
Michael Fox, Stanford

JPA Staff Present: Cynthia D'Agosta, Executive Director (ED)
Kevin Murray, Staff
Miyko Harris-Parker, Staff

General Counsel Present: Greg Stepanicich

Others Present: Jim Porter, San Mateo County Public Works; Brian Lee, San Mateo County Flood Control District; Art Kraemer, Palo Alto resident; Mary & John Schaefer, Palo Alto Residents; Joe Teresi, City of Palo Alto; Anne Stillman, San Mateo County Flood Control District, Art Morimoto, City of Menlo Park; Trish Mulvey; Palo Alto resident; Jason Christie, Santa Clara Valley Water District

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved 5-0

3) CONSENT CALENDAR

None

4) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5) REGULAR BUSINESS –

- a. FY 07/08 Operational Budget – *Approval*
Attachment 1 – Proposed Operational Budget
Attachment 2 – Budget Features

The FY07/08 proposed operational budget was presented to the Board for approval. Director Gordon opened the discussion by presenting to the Board an adopted resolution from the SMCFCD, which stated that if the San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority membership fee for SMCFCD was higher than \$98,000 in new FY2007/08 budget, the SMCFCD would proceed with notification of withdrawal from the JPA effective May 1, 2007. According to the JPA agreement, this would be effective the beginning of the next fiscal year which starts July 1, 2007. Director Gordon continued to explain that the SMCFCD Board heard the item on April 24th and that several of his colleagues on the SMCFCD Board expressed frustration over with the level of slowness the project is experiencing and they questioned why so much time is being spent without many results. Chairperson Zlotnick stated that the concerns of the SMCFCD Board are not surprising, and that Director Gordon should assure the other SMCFCD Board members that the JPA Board is doing everything it can to move the project along faster.

Director Robinson stated that he attended the SMCFCD Board hearing and was pleased to know that other SMCFCD Board members were in support of the JPA and the project. Director Robinson also stated that with a

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substantial operational budget, more could be done for the Watershed. Director Mossar stated her appreciation to the JPA Board and its willingness to adopt the FY07/08 proposed budget increases. Director Abrica stated that it was good SMCFCFCD addressed the issue of funding the increased membership fee. Director Abrica also stated that the more the JPA is on the SMCFCFCD's agenda, the more awareness will be brought regarding the Watershed.

ED informed the Board of two possible options regarding the passing of the proposed budget; pass the budget as proposed with member agency fees at \$98,531 per member agency or pass the proposed budget recognizing SMCFCFCD's ceiling, and develop a budget with differential contributions.

Chairperson Zlotnick requested clarification that the proposed budget maintained the agency's reserve. ED replied that yes the proposed budget does maintain the agency reserves.

Director Mossar moved to approve the proposed FY07/08 operational budget with the SMCFCFCD paying \$98,000 and the City of Palo Alto, the City of Menlo Park, the City of East Palo Alto and the SCVWD splitting the \$531 balance. Director Robinson seconded the motion. The FY07/08 proposed operational budget was approved 5-0.

- 6) **BOARD AND ASSOCIATE MEMBER REPORTS** – *Non-agendized reports from Board and/or Associate members, requesting Board action. None*
- 7) **BOARD AND ASSOCIATE MEMBER MATTERS** – *Non-agendized comments, requests, or announcements by Board and/or Associate members, no action may be taken*
Director Gordon introduced Jim Porter, new San Mateo County and San Mateo County Flood Control District Public Works Director.
- 8) **ADJOURNMENT**
Meeting Adjourned to study session at 6:18 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Clerk of the Board: Miyko A. Harris-Parker