# San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority March 24, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes

Director Abrica called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. via streaming video and teleconference call. Public input was solicited on each item and all public comments received are noted herein.

1) ROLL CALL

Members Present: Director Ruben Abrica, City of East Palo Alto

Director Drew Combs, City of Menlo Park

Director Pat Burt, City of Palo Alto

Director Gary Kremen, Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water)

Members Absent: Director Dave Pine, San Mateo County Flood and Seal Level Rise Resiliency

District (Not present at roll call)

JPA Staff Present: Margaret Bruce, Executive Director

Miyko Harris-Parker, Staff

Tess Byler, Staff

Legal Present: Trisha Ortiz

Ginetta Giovinco

## 2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Motion and second (Burt/Kremen) to approve the agenda passed 4-0.

Roll call vote:

Director Abrica Aye

Director Combs Aye

Director Burt Ave

Director Kremen Aye

**Director Pine Not Present** 

#### 3) APPROVAL OF THE January 27, 2022, REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

ACTION: Motion and second (Abrica/Kremen) to approve the January 27, 2022, Regular Board meeting minutes passed 4-0.

Roll call vote:

Director Abrica Ave

Director Combs Aye

Director Burt Not Aye

Director Kremen Ave

Director Pine Not Present

## 4) PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Director Pine arrived at 3:35 pm.

## 5) CONSENT AGENDA

Consider adopting a resolution reconsidering the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of

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emergency and making findings to authorize public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).

ACTION: Motion and second (Burt/Combs) to approve the Consent Agenda passed 5-0.

Roll call vote:

Director Abrica Aye

Director Combs Aye

Director Burt Aye

Director Kremen Aye

Director Pine Aye

## 6) INFORMATION ITEMS

**Executive Director's Report** 

Ms. Bruce presented the Executive Director's report providing updates on Reach 1 plantings, signage and memorial plaque and bench installation; potential repair/replacement of existing Palo Alto top-of-bank features, Reach 2 funding and permitting, and upstream detention evaluation. Ms. Bruce reminded the Board of the Form 700 due date.

Ms. Bruce, Board and staff gave appreciation and thanks to Senior Project Manager Tess Byler on her sixth anniversary of working for the SFCJPA.

## 7) ACTION ITEMS

Discussion and potential action on Draft Budget for FY22/23

No action taken.

### 8) CLOSED SESSION

<u>Conference with Legal Counsel — Existing Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)</u>

<u>Name of case: Peter Joshua v. San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority, et al. San Mateo</u>

County Court of Appeal Case No. A163294

Adjourned to closed session at 3:56 pm.

Public Employee Performance Evaluation Title: Executive Director

Adjourned to closed session at 3:59 pm.

Director Kremen left at 4:25 pm.

Readjourned at 4:25 pm.

Trisha Ortiz, SFCJPA legal representative and Director Abrica announced that there were no reportable actions from the closed sessions.

# 9) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS, INFORMATION ITEMS, REQUESTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS (Information only)

Director Burt commented on the new habitat and restoration growth in the Reach 1 project area. He has enjoyed seeing the new growth on his rides out to the levee.

## **10) ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 4:27 pm.

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