

**San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority**  
**September 23, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes**

Director Abrica called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. via streaming video and teleconference call. Public input was solicited on each item and all public comments received are noted herein.

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**1) ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Director Abrica, City of East Palo Alto  
Director Drew Combs, City of Menlo Park  
Director Gary Kremen, Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Not present at roll call  
Director Dave Pine, San Mateo County Flood & Sea Level Rise Resiliency District

Members Absent: Director Pat Burt, City of Palo Alto

JPA Staff Present: Margaret Bruce, Executive Director  
Kevin Murray, Staff  
Tess Byler, Staff  
Miyko Harris-Parker, Staff

Legal Present: Trisha Ortiz

**2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

ACTION: Motion and second (Combs/Pine) to approve the agenda passed unanimously 3-0.

Roll call vote:  
Director Abrica Aye  
Director Combs Aye  
Director Pine Aye

Director Kremen not present at time of vote. Director Burt not present.

**3) APPROVAL July 22, 2021, REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

ACTION: Motion and second (Pine/Combs) to approve the July 22, 2021, Regular Board meeting minutes passed unanimously 3-0.

Roll call vote:  
Director Abrica Aye  
Director Combs Aye  
Director Pine Aye

Director Kremen not present at time of vote. Director Burt not present.

**4) PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jerry Hearn, Portola Valley Resident, commented on the success of Coastal Cleanup Day. Mr. Hearn stated that the areas of Cooley Landing and San Francisquito Creek were both well attended with over one hundred people in attendance at each location.

Director Kremen arrived at 3:38 pm.

**5) STUDY SESSION – Shoreline projects, SFCJPA and partner organization roles and responsibilities**

Presentations were given by Ms. Bruce, Rechelle Blank of Valley water and Len Materman of One

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Mark Dinan, East Palo resident, shared his excitement that the new levee will replace the old dirt berm.

Director Pine questioned if it is most imminent to complete the East Palo Alto portion of the project before the other project areas are completed. Ms. Bruce responded saying that in terms of construction she believes the most imminent part of the project is construction of the East Palo Alto Levees. Ms. Bruce explained that before that determination is made the NOP and the CEQA process must first happen for the pragmatic level and the project level.

Mr. Dinan commented on the importance of public outreach to residents as the project will have major impacts to the community. Mr. Dinan asked if there is guidance regarding the timing of the project and where people can send their questions regarding the project status. Ms. Bruce stated that construction is at least three years out and that there will be opportunity for the public to comment and participate in public meetings regarding the project.

Mr. Hearn asked Ms. Bruce to speak about the pollution efforts. Ms. Bruce stated that capping contaminated soils cannot be done by the SFCJPA and that property owners are responsible. Ms. Bruce stated that these efforts need to be completed before the completion of the project.

Mr. Dinan asked if it is feasible to build a conduit for the powerlines in the levee. Ms. Bruce stated that staff will follow up with PG&E.

Director Abrica expressed his appreciation to the presenters, staff, Board, and members of the public for participating in the study session. Director Abrica invited staff from the member agencies to reach out to the SFCJPA and provide any information that they believe the SFCJPA should be aware of regarding the project.

Ms. Bruce asked if there would be an opportunity for One Shoreline to work with the Army Corps. Ms. Blank commented that Valley Water has worked with the Army Corps and that it can be challenging. Mr. Materman stated that One Shoreline is not pursuing a relationship with the Army Corps at this time.

Mr. Materman commented on the many projects being planned on and that they are complicated and are all related. Mr. Materman expressed the importance that every agency continues to coordinate and stay diligent with working together on planning and progress updates.

Director Combs left at 4:40 pm.

**6) INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Bruce provided a summary of the Executive Director's.

**7) CONSENT AGENDA**

**Consider approval of the CALPERS SSI Section 218 Resolution**

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Pine/Combs) to approve the consent agenda which: CALPERS SSI Section 218 Resolution passed unanimously 3-0.

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Roll call vote:

Director Abrica Aye  
Director Kremen Aye  
Director Pine Aye

Director Combs not present at time of vote. Director Burt not present.

Director Kremen left at 4:48 pm.

**8) ACTION ITEMS**

Consider Resolution Approving Consultant Services Agreement for Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting with HT Harvey and Associates and Authorizing Executive Director to Execute and Deliver the Agreement

Item carried to next agenda due to lack of quorum.

Consider Resolution to Accept Comprehensive Plan 2021 Update

Item carried to next agenda due to lack of quorum.

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

None.

**10) ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 4:48 pm.

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