

SANTA CLARA VALLEY HABITAT AGENCY

PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY AUGUST 2, 2018

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Glines called the Public Advisory Committee meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Jan Hintermeister, Julie Hutcheson, Richard Oliver, Kyle Wolfe, Joseph Lovelace,
Walt Glines

ABSENT: Craige Edgerton, Jess Brown

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Chair Glines announced that he attended the June 21st meeting for the budget and audit. He commented that it is amazing how the Agency is completely dependent on people building stuff for their revenue and said that we are putting those funds to good use. He also spoke regarding the funds for the Pacheco Reservoir and asked for a future report from the Water District.

PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Member Wolfe announced that Santa Clara County Fair going is on right now.

Committee Member Oliver announced that there are challenges with housing. We do not know what is going to happen.

Committee Member Lovelace announced that the Silicon Valley Chapter of Green Drinks will meet in Downtown San Jose the first Friday of every month. This month they will have the Sierra Club talking about soil quality and conditioning.

Committee Member Hutcheson announced that the Chamber will be hosting a High Speed Rail meeting on August 14th at the Morgan Hill Council Chamber. She also announced her candidacy for the Morgan Hill City Council.

Chair Glines announced his candidacy for the Gavilan Board on the November ballot.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Glines opened the public comment at 6:20 p.m.

Hearing no requests to speak, the public comment was closed.

PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTION

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 3, 2018 REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Recommended Action: Approve minutes

Action: *On a motion by Committee Member Oliver and seconded by Committee Member Lovelace Approving the May 3, 2018 regular meeting minutes. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 6 (Wolfe, Hintermeister, Hutcheson, Oliver, Lovelace, Glines); Noes: 0; Absent: 2 (Brown, Edgerton).*

2. **CALERO BASELINE INVENTORY AND RESTORATION ASSESSMENT**

Recommended Action: *Information item only.*

Executive Officer Edmund Sullivan introduced Heath Bartosh from Nomad Consulting who gave a presentation and answered questions.

Chair Glines opened the public comment at 6:39 p.m.
 Hearing no requests to speak, the public comment was closed.

Chair Glines opened the public comment at 7:06 p.m.
 Doug Muirhead spoke regarding endangered species and grazing management, the Water District's meeting regarding Calero, and assessment methods from various different agencies.
 Hearing no further requests to speak, the public comment was closed.

No action taken.

3. **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT**

Recommended Action: *Informational item only.*

Executive Officer Edmund Sullivan gave the report.

2017-18 BUDGET UPDATE

	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19
ESTIMATED REVENUES	Budget Estimate	*Estimated Actual	Budget Estimate
Land Cover (Zones A, B and C) Fees	\$ 2,059,000	\$ 4,463,635	\$ 3,224,000
Serpentine Fees	434,755	341,507	500,000
Western Burrowing Owl Fees	2,300,000	4,588,419	400,000
Nitrogen Deposition Fees	128,000	332,000	128,000
Wetland Fees	312,000	581,003	500,000
Participating Special Entity Fees	266,245	402,000	248,000
Sub-Total for Mitigation Fees	\$ 5,500,000	\$ 10,808,564	\$ 5,000,000
Grants	4,000,000	4,107,000	4,100,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$ 9,500,000	\$ 14,915,564	\$ 9,100,000

*Projected Estimated Actual

ADVOCACY UPDATE

State

- **Prop 68 passed with \$52M in funding for NCCPs! Proposition highlights:**
 - Appropriations of SB 5 funds for agency programs: \$57.2M to the Natural Resources Agency for support and local assistance funding for conservation, recreation and multi-benefit greening and water conservation projects.
 - Drought and Groundwater Investments: \$61.8M to the Department of Water Resources for drought and groundwater investments. This funding includes a 2-year extended encumbrance for local assistance funds.
 - Multi-Benefit Flood Improvement Projects: \$94M to the Department of Water Resources to implement multi-benefit flood improvement projects.
 - State Park System Planning & Redwood Reforestation: \$4.185M to the Department of Parks & Recreation to scope and plan for critical state park system projects for redwood reforestation.
 - Safe Neighborhood Parks Local Assistance: \$3.135 for support and \$460.29M for local assistance to the Department of Parks & Recreation.
 - Local Assistance and State Operations Funding: \$4.8M for local assistance and \$191K pursuant to Chapters 9 and 10 to the State Coastal Conservancy.
 - Coastal Watersheds: \$19.4M to the State Coastal Conservancy for coastal watersheds.
 - Watershed Improvement Program: \$6.4M.

Next steps - State legislator visits to Plan Area in September

Federal

\$2M HCP Land Acquisition Grant was finally awarded!

- Status of Fiscal 2019 funding for the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Program (Section 6):
 - Administration Budget request \$0 (zero)
 - House Appropriations - \$53.5 million (same as FY 2018 enacted)
 - Senate Appropriations - \$49.495 million
 - Likely that we will get \$53.5 million out of the Conference Committee.

LAND ACQUISITION/RESERVE SYSTEM UPDATE

- Calero Park enrollment into Reserve System - ongoing
- UTC- Shingle Valley- negotiations are moving along
- Regional Wastewater Facility Bufferlands enrollment into Reserve System is expected later this year.
- Others

San Felipe Creek Restoration Project - Grant Park

- We finally secured all necessary permits to begin construction. Construction activities have begun

No Action Taken.

FUTURE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS:

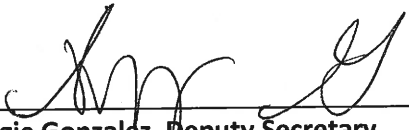
Committee members requested a presentation on the Santa Clara Valley Water District's new Dam project.

Committee Member Hutcheson asked if there was a way that we can approach the assessment project in a more compact way.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Glines adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

MINUTES PREPARED BY:



Angie Gonzalez, Deputy Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED BY:



Joseph Lovelace, Committee Vice-Chair

MINUTES ATTESTED BY:



Michelle Bigelow, Agency Secretary