



SANTA CLARA VALLEY  
**HABITAT AGENCY**

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## SANTA CLARA VALLEY HABITAT AGENCY

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022**

**IMPLEMENTATION BOARD MEETING**

**3:00 PM**

**VIRTUAL MEETING**

The regular meetings of both the Implementation Board of the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency is hereby called for the above-described time and place. The agenda for the meetings is as follows:

*The Committee makes the following findings required by AB 361 in order to hold this meeting by teleconferencing electronically: (1) the March 4, 2020 Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency is still in effect, (2) in the County of Santa Clara the seven day rolling average of new COVID-19 cases continues to be fairly high, even among vaccinated individuals, and (3) due to room capacity limitations, meeting in person could present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.*

### **MEETING GUIDELINES**

In accordance with AB 361 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation is allowed. Physical meetings will not be in the City Council Chamber until further notice.

Those members of the community that would like to participate in the meetings remotely may do so by joining the virtual meeting at: <https://bit.ly/IBMtg2022> or by calling in to: (669) 900-9128, then enter the webinar id: 815 2663 6730#.

Public comment may be provided in the following ways:

- Join the virtual meeting via the link above, when public comment is opened, raise your virtual hand and be called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes

- Join the virtual meeting by calling in to the number above, dial \*9 to raise your hand and be called upon to speak for up to 3 minutes
- Send public comments in writing to the Agency Secretary at [kim.mancera@morganhill.ca.gov](mailto:kim.mancera@morganhill.ca.gov)

The regular meeting of the Implementation Board of the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency is hereby called for the above-described time and place. The agenda for the meetings is as follows:

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**REPORT FROM THE CHAIR**

Implementation Board  
*Linda J. LeZotte*

**REPORT FROM THE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMISSION**

*Julie Hutcheson, Chair*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Members of the public may address the Governing Board and the Implementation Board concerning any item not on this agenda and within the respective subject matter jurisdiction of each of the Boards. The length of public comments may be limited by the Chair of each Board. With limited exceptions, the Boards are prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

**IMPLEMENTATION BOARD ACTION**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. **AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WILDLIFE DETECTIONS LLC** ..... 7-10  
**Recommended Action:** Authorize the Executive Officer to execute a 24-month not-to-exceed \$54,000 Professional Services Agreement (from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024) with Wildlife Detections LLC to assist with land management activities on Habitat Agency Reserve properties. The previous contract was a 12-month \$24,000 Agreement, amended with a time extension of 24 months and increased to \$44,000.
2. **AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE 2016 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ICF JONES & STOKES** ..... 11-30  
**Recommended Action:** Authorize the Executive Officer to execute a 36-month not-to-exceed \$924,719 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment to the 2016 Implementation Board approved Professional Services Agreement with ICF Jones & Stokes to assist with Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan implementation.

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- 3. **RESOLUTION HONORING LINDA J. LEZOTTE** .....31-34  
**Recommended Action:** Adopt the resolution recognizing Linda LeZotte’s service to the Habitat Agency.
  
- 4. **RESOLUTION HONORING MIKE WASSERMAN**.....35-38  
**Recommended Action:** Adopt the resolution recognizing Mike Wasserman’s service to the Habitat Agency.
  
- 5. **PACHECO PASS CONNECTIVITY PROJECT FINAL LAND BRIDGE DESIGN, ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND PERMITTING AGREEMENT WITH MARK THOMAS** .....39-72  
**Recommended Action:** Authorize the Executive Officer to execute a Final Land Bridge Design, Environmental Review and Permitting Agreement with Mark Thomas for the Pacheco Pass Connectivity Project in an amount not to exceed \$3,286,491. Construction of the project would be funded under separate authorization following completion of 100% design plans and permitting for the project.
  
- 6. **REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER**.....73-78  
**Recommended Action:** Receive verbal report.

**FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION BOARD INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS:**

Note: In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a), there shall be no discussion, debate and/or action taken on any request other than providing direction to staff to place the matter of business on a future agenda.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION**

Authority: Government Code 54957(b)

Employee Performance Evaluation: Executive Officer

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

**RECONVENE**

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **IMPLEMENTATION BOARD ADJOURNMENT**

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

### **Implementation Board:**

- January 19, 2023                      Implementation Board Meeting

## **NOTICE**

*Any documents produced by the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency and distributed to the majority of the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board less than 72 hours prior to an open meeting, will be made available for public inspection at the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency's public counter located at 17575 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA, 95037 during normal business hours. (Pursuant to Government Code 54957.5)*

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Members of the Public are entitled to directly address the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board concerning any item that is described in the notice of this meeting, before or during consideration of that item. If you wish to address the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board on any issue that is on this agenda, please complete a speaker request card and deliver it to the Minutes Clerk prior to discussion of the item. You are not required to give your name on the speaker card in order to speak to the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board, but it is very helpful. When you are called, proceed to the podium and the Chair will recognize you. If you wish to address the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board on any other item of interest to the public, you may do so by during the public comment portion of the meeting following the same procedure described above. Public comments may be limited as to time by the Board Chairperson.*

*Please submit written correspondence to the Minutes Clerk, who will distribute correspondence to the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board.*

*Persons interested in proposing an item for the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board agenda should contact a member of the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board who may place an item on the agenda for a future Governing Board and/or Implementation Board meeting. Should your comments require Board action, your request may be placed on the next appropriate agenda. Board discussion or action may not be taken until your item appears on an agenda. This procedure is in compliance with the California Public Meeting Law (Brown Act) Government Code §54950*

*The time within which judicial review must be sought of the action by the Governing Board and/or Implementation Board, which acted upon any matter appearing on this agenda is governed by the provisions of Section 1094.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.*

## **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

*In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Board Clerk's Office at (408) 779-7259, (408) 779-3117 (fax) or by email [michelle.bigelow@morganhill.ca.gov](mailto:michelle.bigelow@morganhill.ca.gov). Requests must be made as early as possible and at least two-full business days before the start of the meeting.*

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