



SAN FRANCISCO BAY
RESTORATION AUTHORITY

Governing Board

SUMMARY MINUTES

April 22, 2022

11:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Teleconference Meeting

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Agenda and attachments available at:
www.sfbayrestore.org

1. Call to Order

Dave Pine, Chair of the Governing Board, called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M. Chair Pine provided Zoom teleconference meeting instructions.

2. Roll Call

Anulika White, Clerk of the Governing Board, reported that six (6) members were present: Aaron Peskin, Karen Holman, Sally Lieber, John Gioia, Sophie Hahn, and Dave Pine.

A quorum of the Governing Board was present at 11:01 A.M.

Susan Gorin joined at 11:02 A.M.

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Board Member Announcements

There were no board member announcements.

5. Chair's Report

Chair Pine announced his attendance at the groundbreaking for the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Project.

6. Executive Reports

Amy Hutzel, Executive Officer of the Authority, reported on the following:

- Updates on federal and state funding for San Francisco Bay restoration.

- Tribal Engagement Policy update.
 - A. A memo and resolution on continuation of remote meetings. Resolution 94 *Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Legislative Bodies of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority* was moved and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn.
 - B. Proposed to the board consideration of cancellation of the May 26th board meeting to consider whether to pass another resolution on continuation of remote meetings. The board discussed. Cancellation of the May 26th board meeting was moved and second. Motion passed unanimously.
Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn.
 - C. A memo and resolution on pending bills concerning remote meetings under the Brown Act. Resolution 95 *Approving Letter to Assemblymembers Alex Lee and Cristina Garcia in Support of AB 1944* was moved and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn.
 - D. The Quarterly Report on Expenditures under Executive Officer's Delegated Authority.
 - E. Taylor Samuelson, Public Information Officer of the Authority, presented the Annual Report of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority, FY 2020-2021.
- 7. Advisory Committee Chair's Report to the Governing Board**
Jessica Martini-Lamb, Chair of the Authority's Advisory Committee, gave a report on the Advisory Committee. There were no public or board comments.
- 8. Approval of Summary Minutes of February 25, 2022**
Summary minutes of the Governing Board Meeting of February 25, 2022 were approved with no corrections.
Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn
- 9. Approval of Summary Minutes of March 28, 2022**
Summary minutes of the Governing Board Meeting of March 28, 2022 were approved with no corrections.
Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn

GRANT ITEMS

10. Shoreline Park – Burlingame Project

Karen McDowell, Deputy Program Manager of the Authority, presented the staff recommendation on behalf of Natasha Dunn, Project Manager of the Authority.

Speaking in favor of the staff recommendation: Will Johnson of Sphere Institute.

Resolution:

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed nine hundred ninety-one thousand four hundred and ninety-nine dollars (\$991,499) to the SPHERE Institute to augment the grant of \$500,000 previously authorized by the Authority to conduct site studies and community engagement, prepare detailed plans and detailed designs, prepare regulatory permit applications and environmental review documents, and prepare a long-term lease application for the Shoreline Park – Burlingame Project, which will transform a 9.4-acre vacant parcel of State-owned bayfront land into a public nature and recreation park and will include restoration of approximately 3-3.5 acres of tidal marsh and transition zone habitats along the shoreline and an education center designed with bird safety features in San Mateo County (Exhibit 1). All conditions of the Authority's prior authorization to grant funds for this project apply to this augmentation.

Findings:

Based on the accompanying staff recommendation and attached exhibits, the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Act, Gov. Code Sections 66700-66706.
2. The proposed authorization is consistent with The San Francisco Bay Clean Water, Pollution Prevention and Habitat Restoration Measure (Measure AA).
3. The grantee is not required to enter into a project labor agreement per Resolution 22 because the proposed authorization is for planning work.

The board commented and discussed. Project approval was moved and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn

11. Tiscornia Marsh Restoration and Sea Level Rise Adaptation Project

Linda Tong, Project Manager of the Authority, presented the staff recommendation.

Speaking in favor of the staff recommendation: Barbara Salzman of the Marin Audubon Society.

Resolution:

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed three million eighty-two thousand dollars (\$3,082,000) to Marin Audubon Society to prepare permit applications, develop final designs, continue engaging community members, and begin construction for the restoration of Tiscornia Marsh. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Authority the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be employed in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Authority funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the grantee has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the grantee to implement, operate, and maintain the project.
6. Evidence that the grantee has entered into a project labor agreement consistent with San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Resolution 22.

Findings:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Act, Gov. Code Sections 66700-66706.
2. The proposed authorization is consistent with The San Francisco Bay Clean Water, Pollution Prevention and Habitat Restoration Measure (Measure AA).
3. The Authority has independently reviewed and considered the Tiscornia Marsh Habitat Restoration and Sea Level Rise Adaptation Project Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR), certified by the City of San Rafael on January 11, 2022 and attached to the accompanying staff recommendation as Exhibit 5.

4. The Final EIR identifies potentially significant effects of the Tiscornia Marsh Restoration and Sea Level Rise Adaptation Project (Project) with respect to Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, and Transportation and Traffic. The Project as modified by the mitigation measures identified in the Final EIR avoids, reduces or mitigates the possible significant environmental effects to less than significant and there is no substantial evidence that the Project as modified will have a significant effect on the environment.

The board commented and discussed. Project approval was moved and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn

12. Consideration of Sending Letter of Support for Newark Baylands Project

Amy Hutzler, Executive Officer of Authority, presented Resolution 96 *Approving Letter of Support for Newark Baylands Project*. The board discussed and requested a revision to the letter. Resolution 96 *Approving Letter of Support for Newark Baylands Project* with revision was moved and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Pine, Gioia, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn

13. Proposed Approach for Grant Round 6 (FY 2022-2023)

Jessica Davenport, Deputy Program Manager, presented a memo and resolution on Proposed Approach for Grant Round 6. Resolution 97 *Adopting Alternative Approach to Project Selection in Grant Round 6 (FY 2022-2023)*, was moved and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Pine, Peskin, Lieber, Gorin, Holman, Hahn

Absent: Gioia

14. Community Grants Program Update

Jessica Davenport, Deputy Program Manager, presented a memo on Community Grants Program progress. The board discussed and commented. There were no public comments.

15. Adjournment

Chair Pine adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 12:41 P.M.