



SAN FRANCISCO BAY
RESTORATION AUTHORITY

Governing Board

SUMMARY MINUTES

June 30, 2023

11:00 A.M. – 12:45 P.M.

Hybrid 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 11:05 A.M.

2. Roll Call

Paul Johnson, Clerk of the Governing Board, reported that four (4) members were present: Karen Holman, Lisa Gauthier, John Gioia, and Dave Pine.

A quorum of the Governing Board was present at 11:08 A.M.

3. Public Comments

Ann Schneider, Mayor of Millbrae, made a comment.

4. Board Member Announcements

There were no board member announcements.

5. Chair's Report

Chair Pine mentioned President Biden's visit to Palo Alto the week prior and the President's announcement of the Climate Resilience Regional Challenge, which is making \$575 million available for projects to build resilience in coastal communities.

6. Approval of Summary Minutes of May 05, 2023

Summary Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting of May 05, 2023 were approved with no corrections.

Moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

7. Advisory Committee Chair’s Report

Advisory Committee (AC) Chair Jessica Martini-Lamb presented an update on the Committee’s activity since the May 5 Governing Board meeting. The Advisory Committee’s Vice Chair position, previously held by Lisa Horowitz McCann, has been vacated and the Committee seeks a Vice Chair candidate to vote to recommend at their September meeting so that the Governing Board can vote to appoint them at the October meeting. The AC Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Equity has met twice and has been cooperating with Authority staff in reviewing a draft introduction section to the Equity Guidelines and developing a community outreach process for seeking input on the Guidelines. The Subcommittee members have encouraged staff to hold community outreach meetings on the shoreline on how to make funding more accessible to them.

8. Independent Citizens Oversight Committee’s Annual Review of Conformance with Measure AA

Dr. Terry Young, Chair of the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee presented a summary of the Annual Review Letter for the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

9. Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget and Staff Work Plan

Derek Hansel, Treasurer, presented the Authority’s Operating and Project Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

Jessica Davenport, Deputy Program Manager, presented the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Staff Work Plan.

Resolution 109 *Adopting the FY 2023-24 San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Operating and Project Budget* was moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

10. Deer Island Basin Phase 1 Tidal Wetlands Restoration Project (Augmentation)

Resolution:

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority hereby authorizes amendment of the grant to Marin County Flood Control District authorized on April 11, 2018 for preparation of designs, environmental documentation, and permit applications for the Deer Island Tidal Basin Wetlands Restoration Project, to expand the scope of the work to include preparation of final

construction designs for a portion of the Project consisting of restoration of 77 acres of tidal baylands and creation of 5,500 linear feet ecotone levees at Deer Island, Novato, Marin County. All conditions of the Authority's April 11, 2018 authorization apply to this amendment.

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 San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority has reviewed and considered the Deer Island Basin Complex Tidal Wetland Restoration Project Final Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (Final IS/MND) adopted by the Marin County Flood Control District on June 6, 2023 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act and attached to the accompanying staff recommendation as Exhibit 3. The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority finds that the Deer Island Basin Complex Tidal Wetland Restoration Project (Project), as designed and mitigated, avoids, reduces, or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects of the Project to a less-than-significant level, and that there is no substantial evidence based on the record as a whole that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment.

Moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

11. Terminal Four Wharf Removal Project (Augmentation)

Resolution:

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed two million three hundred thousand dollars (\$2,300,000) to the City of Richmond to augment the grant of \$2,300,000 previously authorized by the Authority on June 18, 2021 for preparation of final designs and implementation of the Terminal Four

Wharf Removal Project near Point San Pablo, Contra Costa County. 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).

Moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

12. Draft 2023 Grant Round Materials

Jessica Davenport, Deputy Program Manager, presented Resolution 110 *Authorizing the Release of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority's 2023 Grant Round Materials*.

Resolution 110 moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

13. Appointment of New Advisory Committee Members

Jessica Davenport, Deputy Manager, presented Resolution 111 *Appointing Members to the Restoration Authority Advisory Committee*, and Resolution 112 *Appointing a New Member to Represent the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board on the Restoration Authority Advisory Committee*.

Resolution 111 moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

Resolution 112 moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

14. Consideration and Possible Approval of Request for Qualifications for Parcel Tax Administration Services and Entry into a Contract for Services with the Selected Applicant

Karen McDowell, Deputy Program Manager, presented Resolution 113 *Authorizing the Release of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority's Request for Qualifications for Parcel Tax Administration Services and Entry into a Contract for Services with the Selected Applicant, Subject to Chair Approval.*

Resolution 113 moved and seconded.

Ayes: Gioia, Holman, Gauthier, Pine

15. Executive Reports

Amy Hutzel, Executive Officer, presented a state and federal funding opportunities update. She noted that there is additional funding from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and noted the Authority's work with several partners on applying for those funds. Ms. Hutzel provided a summary of the Quarterly Report on Expenditures and Letters under Delegated Authority.

Taylor Samuelson, Public Information Officer, presented details about the East Bay Board Tour on June 2, 2023, provided information about the upcoming West Bay Board Tour, and summarized outreach efforts of the Authority to local elected officials and local agency staff.

16. Adjournment

Chair Pine adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 12:45 P.M.