

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 10, 2002

Present: Henri Pellissier, Chairman
Yvonne Brathwaite-Burke
James DiGiuseppe
Jerry E. Gladbach
Carol Herrera
Cindy Miscikowski
Beatrice Proo, Vice Chairman
William Wentworth
Zev Yaroslavsky
Hal Bernson, Alternate
Kenneth I. Chappell, Alternate
Richard Close, Alternate
Robert W. Goldsworthy, Alternate
Donald Knabe, Alternate
Cristina Cruz-Madrid, Alternate

Larry J. Calemine, Executive Officer
John Krattli, Legal Counsel

Absent: None

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The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Henri F. Pellissier.

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The Executive Officer requested that anyone present who has made a contribution of more than \$250 to any member of the Commission during the preceding 12 months to come forward and state for the record the Commissioner to whom such contribution was made and the item of their involvement. None

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On motion of Commissioner Gladbach, unanimously carried (Commissioner Yaroslavsky being absent), the Commission took the following actions relating to Annexation No. 2001-01 (SC 96-01) to the City of Santa Clarita:

- a. Acting in its role as a responsible agency, with respect to Annexation No. 2001-01 (SC 96-01), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15096, the Commission certified that it has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the proposed project and the environmental documents certified by the City of Santa Clarita, as lead agency, namely FEIR SCH No. 98111013 and City of Santa Clarita Ordinance No. 01-73, approving and adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations that weights project benefits against the project's significant impacts of the proposed project. The Commission further certified that it as complied with the requirements of CEQA with respect to the process for a responsible agency, and adopted by reference the environmental findings and statement of overriding considerations, where applicable, previously adopted by the City of Santa Clarita in connection with the certification of that report for the proposed project.
- b. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663 (c), waived protest proceedings in its entirely based on the following findings: (1) all owners of land have given written consent to the change of organization; (2) all affected agencies have consented in writing to the waiver of protest proceedings; and
- c. Adopted the attached Resolution No. 2002-19RD, Making Determinations and Approving and Ordering the annexation of certain territory designated as "Annexation 2001-01 (SC 96-01) to the City of Santa Clarita, and detachment of the same from the Los Angeles County Road District No. 5.

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On motion of Commissioner Proo, unanimously carried (Commissioner Yaroslavsky being absent), the Commission took the following actions relating to Annexation No. 00-C7 to the City of Azusa:

- a. Acting in its role as a responsible agency, with respect to Annexation No. 00-C7, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15096, the Commission certified that it has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the proposed project and the documents certified by the City of Azusa, as lead agency, namely EIR 99061054 and City of Azusa Ordinance No. 00-C3, approving the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Mountain Cove Residential Development Project to facilitate Annexation No. 00-C7, and has determined that the documents adequately address the environmental impacts of the proposed project. The Commission further made a finding that it has complied with the requirements of CEQA with respect to the process for a responsible agency, and adopted by reference the environmental findings and statement of overriding considerations, where applicable, previously prepared by the City of Azusa in connection with its certification of

that report for the project.

- b. Amended the sphere of influence for the City of Azusa and the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District and made the following determinations:

Present and planned land uses in the area:

The current Los Angeles County General Plan designation north of the subject territory is O, Open Space. The City of Azusa proposed General Plan land use designations for the subject territory are C, Conservation and L, Lower Density Residential.

The City of Azusa General Plan land use designations for the area are: R, Rural Density, southeast of subject territory: R, Rural Density and C, Conservation, to the south; CF, Community Facilities, C, Conservation and R, Rural Density, southwest of the proposed annexation area.

Present and probable need for public facilities and services:

The subject territory is currently undeveloped and uninhabited. Upon development and habitation, public facilities and services will be required to meet the needs of the community and will be provided as set forth in (c), below.

The present capacity of public facilities:

Construction of water facilities, sewer, roads and other infrastructure will be provided by the developer. Landscaping of common areas and roadway improvements will be maintained by the Mountain Cove Homeowners Association.

The City of Azusa will provide general municipal services such as law enforcement, sewage collection, water and power services, animal regulation, parks and recreation.

Fire, paramedic and ambulance services are provided to the City of Azusa through contract with the Los Angeles County Fire Department, which will provide these services to the subject territory and are considered adequate to maintain the current level of existing services.

The City of Azusa maintains that current public safety facilities, such as, police, fire and paramedic/ambulance services are adequate to serve the development. Sewage collection, water delivery and electrical services are also deemed adequate.

Existence of any social or economic communities of interest:

The subject property includes a proposal to build 33 single-family homes and is part of a single-gated community development containing a total of 331 homes; the remaining 298 homes are proposed within the City of Azusa.

The annexation and sphere of influence amendment will place the entire complex under one jurisdiction.

c. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663 (c), waived protest proceedings in its entirety based on the following findings: (1) all owners of land have given written consent to the change of organization; (2) all affected agencies have consented in writing to the waiver of protest proceedings; and

d. Adopted the attached Resolution No. 2002-20RD Making Determinations and Approving and Ordering the annexation of the subject territory to the City of Azusa, the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, and the detachment of same said territory from Los Angeles County Road District No. 5.

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Special Reorganization Update:

The Executive Officer informed the Commission of the attached revised schedule for the regular and special reorganization public hearing dates.

[Commissioner Yaroslavsky in at 9:18 a.m.]

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No one spoke during the time allotted for public comment.

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Settings for Future Meeting:

Friday, July 26, 2002, 9:00 a.m.: Request for Reconsideration of Resolution Making Determinations for Hollywood Special Reorganization.

Wednesday, July 31, 2002, 9:00 a.m.: Protest Hearing on the Hollywood Special Reorganization.

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On motion of Commissioner Proo, unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m. The next meeting of the Commission is July 24, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

LARRY J. CALEMINE
Executive Officer