

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AGENCY
FORMATION COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY

December 8, 2004

Present:

Henri F. Pellissier, Chairman
Yvonne B. Burke
Donald L. Dear
Jerry Gladbach
Carol Herrera
Cindy Miscikowski
Beatrice Proo
Zev Yaroslavsky

Kenneth I. Chappell, Alternate
Robert W. Goldsworthy, Alternate
Donald Knabe, Alternate
Cristina Cruz-Madrid, Alternate
Greig Smith, Alternate

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

Absent:

James DiGiuseppe
Richard Close, Alternate

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The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Henri F. Pellissier.

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The following matter was called up for consideration:

City of Culver City Annexation No. 99-R092 (West Los Angeles College)

On motion of Commissioner Smith, unanimously carried (Commissioners Burke, DiGiuseppe, Miscikowski and Yaroslavsky being absent), the Commission denied the request for annexation and terminated proceedings for Culver City Annexation 00-R92 due to opposition from the property owner, the Los Angeles Community College District and the County of Los Angeles.

[Commissioners Miscikowski and Yaroslavsky in at 9:05 and 9:06 respectively]

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The following matter was called up for consideration:

Santa Clara Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates

1. Regional MSR and City of Santa Clarita SOI Update
2. Water Providers MSR and SOI Update of Affected Agencies.

Steve Cole, Acting General Manager, Newhall County Water District, Lynn Plambeck, and Steven R. Smith addressed the Commission. Steve Cole reported the results of the special meeting held by the Newhall County Water District (NCWD) on December 7, 2004 to adopt the Stetson Report regarding available water supplies. Lynn Plambeck, President of the Newhall County Water District Board of Directors indicated that she was not speaking as a board member, but as a private citizen. She further indicated that in her opinion the NCWD held the special meeting in error (without proper notice) and the Stetson Report significantly changed data previously adopted by the NCWD Board and additional time was needed to give the community an opportunity for involvement. Ms. Plambeck also expressed concern over LAFCO's role, in that she believes LAFCO is pushing for annexations of developer owned properties and the NCWD Board has serious concerns as to whether they can service those areas.

Steven R. Smith raised concerns regarding where the residents of the Vasquez Canyon area whose wells are dry can receive water service from, the NCWD or the Santa Clarita Water Company. The Vasquez Canyon area has territory within the boundaries of the NCWD and the Santa Clarita Water Company. The Executive Officer indicated that he would be more than willing to walk Mr. Smith through the application process should he wish to apply for annexation to any of the special districts under LAFCO purveyance.

[Commissioner Burke in at 9:09 a.m.]

Minute Order No. 4 (Cont'd)

Commissioner Burke requested clarification on whether the water supply would be treated for all purposes to include drinking, as well as household purposes. Steve Cole assured Commissioner Burke that the water supply could be treated to the extent needed for drinking. Commissioner Yaroslavsky questioned some of the recommendations contained in the Santa Clara MSR and SOI update. He expressed concern as to whether or not the Executive Officer's authority to make recommendations was being properly utilized. There was further discussion regarding a study of all the water districts located within the Santa Clara region.

On motion of Commissioner Dear, unanimously carried (Commissioner DiGiuseppe being absent), the Commission held over both the Regional MSR and the Water Providers MSR until the meeting of January 26, 2005.

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The following matter was called up for consideration:

West San Gabriel Valley Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates

1. Regional MSR and SOI Update of 12 Affected Cities.
2. Water Providers MSR and SOI Update of 25 Affected Agencies.

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Commissioner DiGiuseppe being absent) the Commission took the following actions:

- Opened, and here being no further testimony, closed the public hearing.
- Adopted the Municipal Service Review report for the West San Gabriel Valley Region and the determinations contained in the report, as required by Government Code section 56430.
- Made a finding that the approval of this Sphere of Influence Updates are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because, as set forth in the State CEQA Guidelines section 15061, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the Sphere of Influence Updates will not have a significant effect on the environment, as it will not alter land use, permit greater development than is already allowed or alter jurisdictional control over the affected areas.
- Approved the update of the City of Alhambra's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-35RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.

Minute Order No. 5 (Cont'd)

- Approved the update of the City of Arcadia's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-36 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Bradbury's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-37 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Duarte's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-38 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of El Monte's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-39 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Irwindale's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-40 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of La Cañada Flintridge's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-41 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Monrovia's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report in accordance with Government Code section 56425. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-42 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Montebello's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-43 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Monterey Park's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-44 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of Pasadena's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-45 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425:

Minute Order No. 5 (Cont'd)

- Approved the update of the City of Rosemead's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-46 Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425:
- Approved the update of the City of San Gabriel's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-47RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425:
- Approved the update of the City of San Marino's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-48RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425:
- Approved the update of the City of Sierra Madre's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-49RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425:
- Approved the update of the City of South El Monte's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report in accordance with Government Code section 56425. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-50RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved the update of the City of South Pasadena's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-51RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425:
- Approved the update of the City of Temple City's Sphere of Influence, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-52RD Making Determinations, in accordance with Government Code section 56425:
- Adopted the Municipal Service Review report for Water providers in the West San Gabriel Valley region and the determinations contained in the report, as required by Government Code Section 56430.
- Made a finding that the approval of this Sphere of Influence Update is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because, as set forth in the State CEQA Guidelines section 15061, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the SOI Update will have a significant effect on the environment, as no changes to the SOI are recommended at this time.
- Approved the Foothill Municipal Water District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-53RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.

Minute Order No. 5 (Cont'd)

- Approved and amended Huntington Municipal Water District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-54RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved Kinneloa Irrigation District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-55RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved La & Dada Irrigation District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-56RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved San Gabriel County Water District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-57RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-58RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approved South Montebello Irrigation District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-59RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.
- Approve Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's Sphere of Influence Update, as recommended in the Municipal Service Review report. See the attached Resolution No. 2004-60RD Making Determinations in accordance with Government Code section 56425.

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The following matter was called up for consideration:

Protest Hearing for Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22, Annexation No. 366.

On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Commissioner DiGiuseppe being absent), the Commission took the following actions:

- Opened the protest hearing to receive written protests.
- Closed the protest hearing.

Minute Order No. 6 (Cont'd)

- Instructed the Executive Officer, pursuant to Government Code Section 57075, to determine the value of protests filed and not withdrawn and report back to the Commission with the results.
- Based upon the results of the protest hearing adopted the attached Resolution No. 2004-06P Ordering Annexation No. 366 to County Sanitation District No. 22.

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On motion of Commissioner Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Commissioner DiGiuseppe being absent), the minutes of the meeting held on November 10, 2004 were approved.

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The Executive Officer presented the pending proposal status report.

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No one came forward for public comment.

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The next meetings will be January 12, 2005 and January 26, 2005.

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The Chairman requested that the Code Section 57114.3 be distributed to all commissioners for the next agenda.

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On motion of Commissioner Burke, unanimously carried, (Commissioner DiGiuseppe, being absent), the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry J. Calemine
Executive Officer