



Local Agency Formation Commission  
for the County of Los Angeles

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REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

April 10, 2019

Present:

Jerry Gladbach, Chair

Kathryn Barger  
Richard Close  
Donald Dear  
Margaret Finlay  
Janice Hahn  
Gerard McCallum  
John Mirisch  
Greig Smith

Lori Brogin-Falley, Alternate  
Judith Mitchell, Alternate  
Joe Ruzicka, Alternate

Paul Novak, Executive Officer  
Carole Suzuki, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Sheila Kuehl, Alternate  
David Ryu, Alternate

Vacant:

Alternate General Public Member

1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. in Room 381-B of the County Hall of Administration by Chair Jerry Gladbach.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Jerry Gladbach.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Gladbach indicated that Agenda Item 7.d. would be considered last, after all other agenda items.

3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

The Executive Officer (EO) read an announcement, asking that persons who made a campaign contribution of more than \$250 to any member of the Commission during the past twelve (12) months to rise and state for the record the Commissioner to whom such campaign contributions were made and the item of their involvement (None).

The EO read an announcement, asking if any Commissioner had received a campaign contribution that would require disclosure and recusal from any item on today's agenda (None).

4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)

The EO swore-in nine (9) members of the audience who planned to testify.

5 INFORMATION ITEM(S) – GOVERNMENT CODE §§ 56751 & 56857 NOTICE

None.

6 CONSENT ITEM(S)

The Commission took the following actions under Consent Items:

- a. Approved Minutes of March 13, 2019.
- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of March 2019.
- c. Received and filed update on pending proposals.
- d. Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 754 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2019-03RMD.

- e. Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 755 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2019-04RMD.
- f. Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 1087 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2019-05RMD.

MOTION: Dear                      SECOND: Finlay                      APPROVED: 8-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: Hahn

[Commissioner Hahn arrived at 9:06 a.m.]

## 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called for consideration:

- a. Draft Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Adriana Romo (Deputy Executive Officer) summarized the staff report concerning the Proposed Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

The budget hearing was opened to receive public comment. There being no public comment, the budget hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Approved the Proposed Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20;
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 56381, directed staff to forward the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20 to the County of Los Angeles, as well as the 88 cities and 52 independent special districts in Los Angeles County, for their comment; and
- Set May 8, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., in Room 381-B of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012, as the date, time, and place for the adoption of the Recommended Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

MOTION: Finlay                      SECOND: Dear                      APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

[Commissioner Brogin-Falley left at 9:11 a.m.]

## 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called for consideration:

- b. Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on the annexation. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2019-06RMD; and
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, set June 12, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. or at the Commission's next available meeting date consistent with the protest provisions, in Room 381-B of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012, as the date, time, and place for Commission protest proceedings.

MOTION: Finlay

SECOND: Smith

APPROVED: 9-0-0

AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

## 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called for consideration:

- c. Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption and amendments to the City of Los Angeles, Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, and West Basin Municipal Water District Spheres of Influence ("SOIs") (detachment from the City of Los Angeles

and annexation to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, and West Basin Municipal Water District).

The EO summarized the staff report concerning Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on the SOI amendments. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following action:

- Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles; Amendments to the City of Los Angeles, Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, and West Basin Municipal Water District Spheres of Influence; detachment from the City of Los Angeles; and annexation to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County and West Basin Municipal Water District; Resolution No. 2019-07RMD.

MOTION: Mirisch                      SECOND: Hahn                      APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

## 8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

None.

## 9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Appointment/Re-Appointment of Commission Public Member.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning the Appointment/Reappointment of Commission Public Member.

The Commission took the following action:

- Re-appointed Gerard McCallum to the position of Public Member, for the term which expires on May 1, 2023.

MOTION: Mirisch                      SECOND: Finlay                      APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

## 9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- b. Proposed Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Reimbursement Agreement.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning the Proposed Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Reimbursement Agreement.

The Commission took the following action:

- Approved and authorized the Executive Officer to execute the Reimbursement Agreement by and between the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA) and LAFCO.

MOTION: Dear                      SECOND: McCallum                      APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

## 10 LEGISLATION

- a. Legislative Update.

The Executive Officer summarized the staff report concerning the Legislative Update.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Took a “support” position on AB 1822, and directed staff to communicate the position in letters to members of the State Legislative and the Governor; and
- Received and filed the Legislative Update.

MOTION: Finlay                      SECOND: Barger                      APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

#### 11 MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

None.

#### 12 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

None.

#### 13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting room (381-B) will undergo renovations through the end of year 2020. The EO indicated he will keep the Commission apprised when those renovations will start. An alternate room for the monthly Commission meetings will take place in the Business License Commission meeting room (374-A) at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration.

The EO indicated that Commissioners received a Memorandum regarding the Recruitment of Alternate Public Member. The deadline to receive applications is Monday, May 6, 2019. Staff has received four applications so far. The Commission agreed to extend the deadline to receive applications regarding the recruitment of the Alternate Public Member to June 10, 2019.

#### 14 PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### 15 FUTURE MEETINGS

May 8, 2019

June 12, 2019

July 10, 2019

August 14, 2019

#### 16 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

## 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called for consideration:

- d. Reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD-Resolution of the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles Making Determinations Disapproving Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road).

The EO summarized the staff report concerning the Reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD-Resolution of the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles Making Determinations Disapproving Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road).

The EO indicated that the Commissioners received copies of additional correspondence (staff received after the posting of the Agenda).

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony.

Eight (8) members of the public testified before the Commission, as follows:

- Glenda Burnett, Irma Haldane, and Lygia Ionntiu (residents of the City of Agoura Hills) opposed the reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD.
- Deborah Klein Lopez (Councilmember, City of Agoura Hills) and Illece Buckley-Weber (Mayor Pro Tem, City of Agoura Hills) opposed the reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD and agreed with the staff report's recommendations.
- Joan Yacovone (representing the Liberty Canyon Homeowners Association and the Las Virgenes Homeowners Federation) and Lloyd W. "Bill" Pellman (Partner, Nossaman LL, and Special Counsel to the Los Angeles County Chief Executive Officer, Sachi Hamai and the County of Los Angeles) opposed the reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD and agreed with the staff report's recommendations.
- Matthew Summers (Assistant City Attorney, City of Calabasas) supported the reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD and opposed the disapproval of Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road).

Commission Hahn asked if the City of Calabasas will consider litigation. Mr. Pellman indicated that the Municipal Service Review is the correct path for a Sphere of Influence Update for the City of Calabasas as it relates to Annexation No. 2014-04.

There being no further testimony, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Partially approved the City of Calabasas' Request for Reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD, for the reasons stated in staff report and based on the written and oral



testimony and information provided to the Commission during and in advance of the public hearing regarding reconsideration of Resolution No. 2019-01RMD; and

- Approved and Adopted the Amended Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations; Resolution No. 2019-01RMD(AMENDED).

MOTION: McCallum      SECOND: Finlay      APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

#### 17 ADJOURNMENT MOTION

On motion of Chair Gladbach, the meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Novak', with a stylized, cursive script.

Paul Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03RMD**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION**  
**COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING**  
**"ANNEXATION NO. 754 TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 21**  
**OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY"**

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County (District) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the District, all within the City of Claremont; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 0.4± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 754 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County"; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide off-site sewage disposal to one existing single-family home; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the Proposal meets all of the criteria for the Commission to make a determination without notice and hearing and waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer set the item for consideration for April 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., at the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 381-B, located at 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2019, this Commission considered the Proposal and the report of the Executive Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission finds that this annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a), because the annexation consists of areas containing existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
  - a. The territory encompassed by the annexation is uninhabited; and
  - b. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56658(b)(1) and 56662(c), the Executive Officer has given the required mailed notice to each affected agency of the application to initiate proceedings for the proposed annexation, and no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period following the notice; and

- c. The annexation was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposal.

Based thereon, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662 (a), the Commission may, and hereby does, make determinations on the proposal without notice and hearing, and the Commission may, and hereby does, waive protest proceedings entirely.

- 3. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

- 4. The affected territory consists of 0.4± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 754 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County".

- 5. Annexation No. 754 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The District agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of LAFCO concerning this proposal or any action relating to or arising out of such approval.
- b. The effective date of the annexation shall be the date of recordation.
- c. Payment of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and State Board of Equalization fees.

- d. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the District.
  - e. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
  - f. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
  - g. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
  - h. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "g", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code Section 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
6. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County.
7. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

MOTION:	Dear	SECOND: Finlay	APPROVED: 8-0-0
AYES:	Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach		
NOES:	None.		
ABSTAIN:	None.		
ABSENT:	Hahn		

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**



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**Paul A. Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-04RMD  
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION  
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING  
"ANNEXATION NO. 755 TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 21  
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY"**

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County (District) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the District, all within the unincorporated Los Angeles County; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 2.5± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 755 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County"; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide off-site sewage disposal to one proposed single-family home; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the Proposal meets all of the criteria for the Commission to make a determination without notice and hearing and waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer set the item for consideration for April 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., at the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 381-B, located at 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2019, this Commission considered the Proposal and the report of the Executive Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission finds that this annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(b), because the annexation consists of an individual small parcel of the minimum size for facilities exempted by Section 15303(a), the proposed development involves new construction of one single-family residence. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
  - a. The territory encompassed by the annexation is uninhabited; and
  - b. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56658(b)(1) and 56662(c), the Executive Officer has given the required mailed notice to each affected agency of the



application to initiate proceedings for the proposed annexation, and no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period following the notice; and

- c. The annexation was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposal.

Based thereon, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662 (a), the Commission may, and hereby does, make determinations on the proposal without notice and hearing, and the Commission may, and hereby does, waive protest proceedings entirely.

- 3. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

- 4. The affected territory consists of 2.5± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 755 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County".

- 5. Annexation No. 755 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The District agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of LAFCO concerning this proposal or any action relating to or arising out of such approval.

- b. The effective date of the annexation shall be the date of recordation.
  - c. Payment of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and State Board of Equalization fees.
  - d. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the District.
  - e. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
  - f. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
  - g. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
  - h. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "g", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code Section 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
6. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County.
7. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

MOTION:	Dear	SECOND: Finlay	APPROVED: 8-0-0
AYES:	Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach		
NOES:	None.		
ABSTAIN:	None.		
ABSENT:	Hahn		

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**



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**Paul A. Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-05RMD  
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION  
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING  
"ANNEXATION NO. 1087 TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT  
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY"**

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District (District) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the District, all within the Los Angeles County unincorporated territory; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 0.311± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 1087 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County"; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide off-site sewage disposal to one existing single-family home; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the Proposal meets all of the criteria for the Commission to make a determination without notice and hearing and waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer set the item for consideration for April 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., at the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 381-B, located at 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2019, this Commission considered the Proposal and the report of the Executive Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission finds that this annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a), because it consists of areas containing existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
  - a. The territory encompassed by the annexation is uninhabited; and
  - b. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56658(b)(1) and 56662(c), the Executive Officer has given the required mailed notice to each affected agency of the application to initiate proceedings for the proposed annexation, and no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period following the notice; and

- c. The annexation was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposal.

Based thereon, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662 (a), the Commission may, and hereby does, make determinations on the proposal without notice and hearing, and the Commission may, and hereby does, waive protest proceedings entirely.

- 3. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

- 4. The affected territory consists of 0.311± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 1087 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County".

- 5. Annexation No. 1087 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

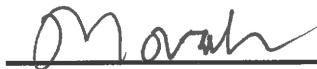
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- b. The effective date of the annexation shall be the date of recordation.

- c. Payment of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and State Board of Equalization fees.
  - d. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the District.
  - e. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
  - f. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
  - g. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
  - h. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "g", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code Section 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
6. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.
7. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

MOTION:	Dear	SECOND: Finlay	APPROVED: 8-0-0
AYES:	Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach		
NOES:	None.		
ABSTAIN:	None.		
ABSENT:	Hahn		

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**



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**Paul A. Novak, AICP**  
**Executive Officer**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06RMD  
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION  
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING  
"ANNEXATION NO. 298 TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 15  
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY "**

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County (District) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the District, all within the City of La Puente; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 4.01± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County"; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide off-site sewage disposal to 45 proposed single-family homes; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing pursuant to Government Code Sections 56150-56160, 57025, and 57026, wherein the public hearing notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on

March 8, 2019, which is at least 21 days prior to the public hearing, and said hearing notice was also mailed to all required recipients by first-class mail on or before the date of newspaper publication; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2019, after being duly and properly noticed, this proposal came on for hearing, at which time this Commission heard and received all oral and written testimony, objections, and evidence which were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to hear and be heard with respect to this proposal and the report of the Executive Officer; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, the Commission set the protest hearing for June 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., at the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 374-A, located at 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County, pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15096 of the CEQA guidelines, the Commission considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared and adopted by the City of La Puente, as lead agency, on January 24, 2017, together with any comments received during the public review process; certifies that the Commission has independently reviewed and considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the

project as shown in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Del Valle Residential Project- La Puente, CA) for the project, finding that the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Del Valle Residential Project- La Puente, CA) is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation as applicable to the responsible agency.

2. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.
3. The affected territory consists of 4.01± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:  
  
"Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County".
4. Annexation No. 298 to the County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - a. The District agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of LAFCO concerning this proposal or any action relating to or arising out of such approval.

- b. The effective date of the annexation shall be the date of recordation.
  - c. Payment of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and State Board of Equalization fees.
  - d. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the District.
  - e. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
  - f. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
  - g. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
  - h. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "g", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code Section 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
5. Pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, the Commission hereby sets the protest hearing for June 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. and directs the Executive Officer to give notice thereof pursuant to Government Code Sections 57025 and 57026.
6. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code Section 56882.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

MOTION: Finlay SECOND: Smith APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
ABSENT: None.

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul A. Novak', is written over a solid horizontal line.

**Paul A. Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-07RMD  
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION  
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING  
"REORGANIZATION NO. 2016-33 TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES, CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,  
AND WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT SPHERES OF INFLUENCE ("SOI")"  
(DETACHMENT FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND ANNEXATION TO THE  
CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND  
WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT)**

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles (County) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for reorganization and sphere of influence amendments of territory herein described to the City of Los Angeles, Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, detachment of said territory from the City of Los Angeles, and annexation of said territory to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County and West Basin Municipal Water District, all within the County; and

WHEREAS, the proposed reorganization consists of approximately 1.34± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles "; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed reorganization is to place a portion of a publicly-owned right-of way in the same jurisdiction as the adjacent residential area; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the Proposal meets all of the criteria for the Commission to make a determination without notice and hearing and waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662; and

WHEREAS, even though a public hearing is not required for the Proposal, a public hearing is nevertheless required for the proposed SOI amendment(s), pursuant to Government Code Section 56427; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing for the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendment(s) pursuant to Government Code Sections 56150-56160, wherein the public hearing notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on March 18, 2019, which is at least 21 days prior to the public hearing, and said hearing notice was also mailed to all required recipients by first-class mail on or before the date of newspaper publication; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2019, this Commission considered the Proposal and the report of Executive Officer, and heard and received all oral and written testimony, objections, and evidence which were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to hear and be heard with respect to the Sphere of Influence Amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission finds that Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles, is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15320 because it consists of a

reorganization of local government agencies where the changes do not change the geographical area in which previously existing powers are exercised. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.

2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:

- a. The territory encompassed by the reorganization is uninhabited; and
- b. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56658(b)(1) and 56662(c), the Executive Officer has given the required mailed notice to each affected agency of the application to initiate proceedings for the proposed reorganization, and no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period following the notice; and
- c. The reorganization was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposal.

Based thereon, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission may make determinations upon the proposed reorganization proposal without notice and hearing and may waive protest proceedings relative to the proposed reorganization.

However, with respect to the proposed SOI amendment(s), a public hearing is still required pursuant to Government Code Section 56427.



3. The Commission hereby amends the Spheres of Influence of the City of Los Angeles, Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, and West Basin Municipal Water District so as to exclude the subject territory described in Exhibit "A" and "B" from the City of Los Angeles, and include the subject territory described in Exhibit "A" and "B" within the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, and West Basin Municipal Water District and makes the following determinations in accordance with Government Code Section 56425:

- a. Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area

The present and future land use is publicly-owned right-of-way.

- b. Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area

The affected territory is located within the City of Los Angeles. General government services, including animal control, land use planning and regulation, law enforcement, fire protection, flood control, library, vector control, park and recreation, road maintenance, solid waste, street lighting, water, wastewater, and other services are provided by either the city, county, or a special district.

The affected territory includes publicly-owned right-of-way which requires limited organized governmental services.

- c. Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Adequacy of Public Services that the Agency Provides or is Authorized to Provide

The County of Los Angeles, Consolidated Fire Protection District, and West Basin Municipal Water District currently provide municipal services to many parcels of

land. The reorganization would add approximately 1.34± acres to their respective service areas. The County and the special districts have the ability to provide service to the affected territory once the reorganization is complete.

d. Existence of Any Social or Economic Communities of Interest

The proposal will have no adverse effect with respect to the fair treatment of people of all races and incomes, or the location of public facilities or services.

e. Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory.

There are existing DUCs within the jurisdictional boundaries and the Spheres of Influence ("SOI's") for the involved public agencies. The present and probable need for sewers, municipal and industrial water, and structural fire protection of these existing disadvantaged unincorporated communities is not in any way impacted by approval of the proposed reorganization.

f. Determination of the Services of the Existing District

The Commission has on file written statement of the functions and classes of service of the Consolidated Fire Protection District for Los Angeles County and West Basin Municipal Water District and can establish the nature, location and extent of its classes of service and that it provides fire protection and water services within its boundary.

4. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.
5. The affected territory consists of 1.34± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

" Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles ".
6. Reorganization No. 2016-33 to the City of Los Angeles is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - a. The County agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of LAFCO concerning this proposal or any action relating to or arising out of such approval.
  - b. The effective date of the reorganization shall be the date of recordation.
  - c. Payment of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and State Board of Equalization fees.
  - d. The territory so reorganized shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the County and/or special districts.
  - e. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the County and/or special districts.
  - f. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any,

of the County and/or special districts.

- g. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County and West Basin Municipal Water District.
- h. Detachment of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" from the City of Los Angeles.
- i. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, all right, title, and interest of the City, including but not limited to, the underlying fee title or easement where owned by the City, in any and all sidewalks, trails, landscaped areas, street lights, property acquired and held for future road purposes, open space, signals, storm drains, storm drain catch basins, local sanitary sewer lines, sewer pump stations and force mains, water quality treatment basins and/or structures, and water quality treatment systems serving roadways and bridges shall vest in the County.
- j. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, the County shall be the owner of, and responsible for, the operation, maintenance, and repair of all of the following property owned by the City: public roads, adjacent slopes appurtenant to the roads, street lights, traffic signals, mitigation sites that have not been accepted by regulatory agencies but exist or are located in public right-of-way and were constructed or installed as part of a road construction project within the reorganization area, storm drains and storm drain catch basins within street right-of-way and appurtenant slopes, medians and adjacent property.

- k. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, the County shall do the following:
  - (1) assume ownership and maintenance responsibilities for all drainage devices, storm drains and culverts, storm drain catch basins, appurtenant facilities (except regional Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) facilities for which LACFCD has a recorded fee or easement interest and which have been accepted into the LACFCD system), site drainage, and all master plan storm drain facilities that are within the reorganization area and are currently owned, operated and maintained by the County ; (2) accept and adopt the County of Los Angeles Master Plan of Drainage (MPD), if any, which is in effect for the reorganization area. Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Department (LACDPW) should be contacted to provide any MPD which may be in effect for the reorganization area. Deviations from the MPD shall be submitted to the Chief Engineer of LACFCD/Director of LACDPW for review to ensure that such deviations will not result in diversions between watersheds and/or will not result in adverse impacts to LACFCD's flood control facilities; (3) administer flood zoning and Federal Emergency Management Agency floodplain regulations within the reorganization area; (4) coordinate development within the reorganization area that is adjacent to any existing flood control facilities for which LACFCD has a recorded easement or fee interest, by submitting maps and proposals to the Chief Engineer of LACFCD/Director of LACDPW, for review and comment.

- I. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "k", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code Section 57325) shall apply to this reorganization.
7. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code Section 56882.
8. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" reorganization to the City.
9. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the County, upon the County's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

MOTION:     Finlay                      SECOND: Smith                      APPROVED: 9-0-0

AYES:         Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach

NOES:         None.

ABSTAIN:     None.

ABSENT:      None.

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**



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**Paul A. Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01RMD (AMENDED)**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION**  
**COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**MAKING DETERMINATIONS DISAPPROVING**  
**"ANNEXATION NO. 2014-04 TO THE CITY OF CALABASAS (WEST AGOURA ROAD)"**

WHEREAS, the City of Calabasas (City) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with § 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the City, and detachment of said territory from County Road District No. 3 and withdrawal from County Lighting Maintenance District 1687 and County Public Library System, all within the County of Los Angeles (County); and

WHEREAS, the City requested that the Commission amend the existing Sphere of Influence (SOI) for the City of Calabasas, which is currently a Coterminous SOI (one in which the City's jurisdictional boundary is the same as the SOI boundary), to add the affected territory in the proposed annexation to the City's SOI; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation ("Proposal") consists of approximately 57.78± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road)"; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the Proposal and submitted to the Commission written reports on January 9, 2019 and April 10, 2019, including his recommendations therein, pursuant to Government Code § 56665; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer provided notice of the Commission's public hearings on January 9, 2019 and April 10, 2019 pursuant to Government Code §§ 56150-56160, 56427, 57025, and 57026, wherein the public hearing notices were published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County at least 21 days prior to the public hearings, and said hearing notices were also mailed to all required recipients by first-class mail on or before the date of newspaper publication; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2019, after being duly and properly noticed, this Proposal came on for hearing, at which time this Commission heard and received all oral and written testimony, objections, and evidence which were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to hear and be heard with respect to this Proposal and the report of the Executive Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Commission disapproved the proposed annexation and the proposed SOI amendment at its January 9, 2019 public hearing; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2019, the Commission adopted Resolution No. 2019-01RMD - Resolution of the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles Making Determinations Disapproving Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has considered the request for reconsideration from the City dated March 12, 2019, which is partially approved as provided herein, to include consideration of Government Code section 56668(q); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has carefully considered the Executive Officer's written reports dated January 9, 2019 and April 10, 2019, including all factors required by Government



Code § 56668 (subsections “a” through “q”); the written testimony submitted in advance of the public hearings; the written testimony submitted during the public hearings on January 9, 2019 and April 10, 2019; and the oral testimony at the public hearings;

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668 identifies seventeen (17) subsets of factors (identified as subsections (a) through (q)) to be considered in the review of a proposal; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(a) identifies “topography” as a factor, and the affected territory lies westerly of the existing boundary of the City, and the overwhelming majority of the existing City is on the far (easterly) side of a hill, and therefore somewhat removed from, the affected territory in the proposed annexation; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(a) identifies “proximity to other populated areas” as a factor, and the nearest existing homes in the City are found in a neighborhood which is located on the other side of a hill from the affected territory, and another neighborhood which is separated from most of the affected territory by the Ventura (U.S. 101) Freeway; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(b) identifies “the present cost and adequacy of governmental services and controls in the areas,” and nothing was provided in the record to suggest that existing governmental services and controls in the affected territory are, in any way, inadequate, and, during commission deliberations at the public hearing on January 9, 2019, commissioners stated that the County does a good job in providing services to unincorporated communities, and that all five County Supervisors devote extraordinary efforts to allocating resources to unincorporated communities; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(c) identifies “[t]he effect of the proposed action and of alternative actions, on adjacent areas,” and residents living in the City of Agoura Hills

near the affected territory testified at the public hearing, and in writing, that they experience impacts associated with lighting, noise, and traffic from development within the affected territory, and to a degree substantially more significant than is experienced by residents living within the City, all of which were considered by the Commission, as further reflected during the Commission's deliberations at the public hearing on January 9, 2019, at which time individual commissioners referred to this testimony, noting that the property is contiguous to existing homes in Agoura Hills, whose residents experience these impacts, and that one of the Commission's purposes is to put residents first; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(i) identifies "[t]he sphere of influence of any local agency which may be applicable to the proposal being reviewed," and the affected territory is outside the boundaries of the City's SOI; the SOI was originally determined to be an SOI that is coterminous to the City's existing boundary by the Commission on July 8, 1992; the SOI was reconfirmed by the Commission on August 25, 2004 and October 10, 2012; in the 2004 and 2012 reconfirmations, the Commission adopted an SOI that is coterminous to the City's existing boundary; and the Commission disapproved the SOI amendment at the January 9, 2019 public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(j) identifies "[t]he comments of any affected local agency or other public agency," and LAFCO received two letters from the County (dated December 19, 2018; and January 9, 2019) opposing the proposed annexation; four letters from the City of Agoura Hills (dated April 18, 2014; May 6, 2014; April 16, 2018; and January 3, 2019) expressing concerns about and/or opposing the proposed annexation; and four letters from the City (dated June 5, 2014; December 26, 2018; December 28, 2018; and December 27, 2019)

supporting the proposed annexation, and addressing concerns raised by opponents of the proposed annexation; all of which were considered by the Commission; and, at the public hearing on January 9, 2019; several individuals spoke on behalf of public agencies; including individuals representing and speaking on behalf of the City (Mayor, Mayor pro Tem, two City Council-Members, City Manager, Assistant City Attorney, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Community Development Director, and City Planner); individuals representing and speaking on behalf of the City of Agoura Hills (Mayor, Mayor pro Tem, City Council-Member); the Senior Manager, Economic Development, in the Chief Executive Office of the County; an attorney representing and speaking on behalf of the County; as well as several individuals who formerly served on the city councils of the City of Agoura Hills and the City; all of which also were considered by the Commission, as further reflected during the Commission's deliberations at the public hearing on January 9, 2019, at which time individual commissioners referred to specific letters and testimony from various public agency representatives. The Commission considered the City's written request for reconsideration of disapproval of annexation No. 2014-04 and the associated amendment to the City's SOI, including consideration of all written communications and oral testimony as described in the record of the April 10, 2019 public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 56668(n) identifies "[a]ny information or comments from the landowner, voters, or residents of the affected territory," and LAFCO received separate letters from two different parties owning land in the affected territory and in support of the proposed annexation (both dated December 11, 2018); separate letters from two different attorneys representing one of the landowners in the affected territory (both dated

December 19, 2018); and a letter in support of the proposed annexation from a tenant in an existing office building located in the affected territory (dated December 5, 2018); all of which were considered by the Commission; and, at the public hearing on January 9, 2019; an individual who owns land in the affected territory spoke in support of the proposed annexation; and two different attorneys representing one of the landowners in the affected territory; which also was considered by the Commission; as further reflected during the Commission's deliberations at the public hearing on January 9, 2019, at which time individual Commissioners referred to specific testimony from a landowner within the affected territory, as well as lengthy discussions at the hearing between commissioners and an attorney representing a landowner within the affected territory; and, the Commission considered written and oral testimony at the public hearing of April 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is disapproving the proposed Sphere of Influence amendment to the City associated with the Proposal, the Commission therefore does not make the determinations required in Government Code § 56425(e), subsections (1) through (5); and

WHEREAS, the Commission is disapproving the proposed annexation which does not require conducting authority (protest) proceedings pursuant to Government Code § 57000(b), which only requires conducting authority (protest) proceedings when "a proposal is approved by the commission;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines § 15270, CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves, and, therefore, the Commission's disapproval of the proposed annexation and SOI amendment is exempt from

CEQA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. This resolution making determinations is made pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, California Government Code § 56000 *et seq*;
2. The affected territory consists of 57.78± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road)",

and is hereby not annexed to the City of Calabasas;
3. The Commission has reviewed the request for reconsideration by the City of Calabasas and partially approves the City's request in order to provide for consideration of the Executive Officer report of April 10, 2019, including its analysis of Government Code section 56668(q);
4. Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road) is hereby disapproved;
5. The proposed SOI amendment to the City of Calabasas associated with the Proposal is hereby disapproved;
6. In disapproving Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road) and associated Sphere of Influence amendment to the City of Calabasas, the Commission makes the following determinations:
  - a. Commission proceedings were commenced by the City in 2014;
  - b. The affected territory consists of approximately 57.78± acres of

unincorporated territory, composed of commercial and vacant land, and it is unpopulated;

- c. The affected territory is located generally westerly of the existing boundary of the City, and generally easterly of the existing boundary of the City of Agoura Hills;
- d. The Commission conducted a public hearing on January 9, 2019, at which time testimony was provided by twenty-seven (27) individuals, including persons representing and speaking on behalf of the County, the City, and the City of Agoura Hills; separate legal counsel to the County, the City, and a landowner in the affected territory; former elected officials of the City and the City of Agoura Hills; residents of the City of Agoura Hills who live near the affected territory; a resident of the City of Calabasas; and others;
- e. The Commission conducted a public hearing on April 10, 2019, at which time testimony was provided regarding the City's request for reconsideration of the disapproval of Annexation No. 2014-014 and associated SOI amendment;
- f. In making its decision to disapprove Annexation No. 2014-14 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road) and the associated Sphere of Influence amendment to the City of Calabasas, the Commission has considered all evidence, testimony, and documentation submitted to the Commission from all agencies, jurisdictions, landowners, members of the public, proponents, opponents, and others, all of which was submitted to the Commission prior to and at the January 9, 2019 and April 10, 2019 public hearings;

- g. The Commission exercised independent judgment and discretion in making a reasonable and well-informed decision based on the information provided and, on that basis, determined to disapprove the annexation and associated SOI amendment; and, further, in making its decision, the Commission exercised independent judgment on behalf of the interests of residents, property owners, and the public as a whole;
- h. Annexation of the affected territory to the City will not promote orderly growth and development, discourage urban sprawl, preserve open space and efficiently extend government services, including providing governmental services and housing for persons and families at all incomes in the most efficient manner feasible;
- i. The affected territory lies westerly of the existing boundary of the City, and the overwhelming majority of the existing City is on the far (easterly) side of a hill, and therefore somewhat removed from, the affected territory in the proposed annexation;
- j. The nearest existing homes in the City are found in a neighborhood which is located on the other side of a hill from the affected territory, and another neighborhood which is separated from most of the affected territory by the Ventura (U.S. 101) Freeway, and both neighborhoods are therefore somewhat removed from the affected territory in the proposed annexation;

- k. The County currently allocates resources to provide adequate, reliable, and sound governmental services and controls in the affected territory; and there was no evidence in the record to suggest that existing governmental services and controls in the affected territory are, in any way, inadequate;
- l. The effect of the proposed action, and/or any alternate action, is felt most by residents living in the City of Agoura Hills near the affected territory, from whom substantial testimony was provided at the public hearing, documenting how these residents experience impacts associated with lighting, noise, and traffic from existing development within the affected territory, and to a degree substantially more significant than is experienced by residents living within the City;
- m. The affected territory is not located within the City's SOI; and the Commission reconfirmed the City's SOI in 1992 and 2004 as an SOI that is coterminous to the City's existing jurisdictional boundary;
- n. The record includes substantial correspondence from representatives of affected public agencies, including multiple letters from the County, the City, and the City of Agoura Hills; as well as testimony at the public hearing from a representative of the County and outside legal counsel for the County; three elected officials of the City of Agoura Hills; and several individuals who formerly served as elected officials of the City and the City of Agoura Hills;




- o. The record includes correspondence from two landowners in the affected territory; letters from two attorneys representing a landowner in the affected territory; and a letter from a tenant in an existing office building located in the affected territory; as well as testimony at the public hearing from an individual who owns land in the affected territory;
  - p. The record includes all staff reports, correspondence, and written and oral testimony submitted at and in advance of the public hearings of January 9, 2019 and April 10, 2019;
  - q. These determinations are final and conclusive pursuant to section 56895(h) of the Government Code.
- 7. The Commission finds that, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15270, CEQA does not apply to projects that a public agency rejects or disapproves, and therefore, in disapproving Annexation No. 2014-04 to the City of Calabasas (West Agoura Road) and the proposed SOI amendment, the Commission finds that its actions are exempt from CEQA;
- 8. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code § 56882; and
- 9. As allowed under Government Code § 56107, the Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Officer to make non-substantive corrections to this resolution to address any technical defect, error, irregularity, or omission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of April 2019.

MOTION: McCallum SECOND: Finlay APPROVED: 9-0-0  
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, Hahn, McCallum, Mirisch, Smith, Gladbach  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Novak", is written above a horizontal line.

**Paul A. Novak, AICP  
Executive Officer**