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MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES LIVE VIRTUAL MEETING

August 12, 2020

Present:

Jerry Gladbach, Chair

Kathryn Barger
Richard Close
Donald Dear
Margaret Finlay
Gerard McCallum
John Mirisch

Lori Brogin-Falley, Alternate
David Lesser, Alternate
Judith Mitchell, Alternate

Paul Novak, Executive Officer
Tiffani Shin, Legal Counsel

Absent:

David Ryu
Hilda Solis

Sheila Kuehl, Alternate

Vacant:

City of Los Angeles, Alternate Member
Special District, Alternate Member

1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. as a live virtual Commission meeting, with public comment accepted via email or phone through the conclusion of the meeting.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Gladbach.

3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

The Executive Officer (EO) read an announcement, asking if any Commissioners had received a campaign contribution that would require disclosure or any other issue requiring recusal from any item on today's agenda (None).

ANNOUNCEMENT

The EO noted that today's meeting was conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Governor's Executive Orders No-25-20 and N-29-20, under the modified laws of the Ralph M. Brown Act for the COVID-19 emergency, as well as the County of Los Angeles "Safer at Home Order for Control of COVID-19."

The EO noted that all public hearing notices, and the agenda, clearly stated that interested persons were afforded the opportunity to submit written opposition or comments by email, or via United States mail, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020. For any communications received after the agenda was posted, staff has forwarded copies via e-mail to the Commission. LAFCO staff continued to monitor e-mail and comments received during the meeting and prior to the conclusion of each hearing item were read to the Commission. The EO further commented that LAFCO's legal counsel reviewed the public hearing agenda, and public hearing notices, and has affirmed that the conduct of today's meeting is consistent with State law as modified by the Governor and County orders.

4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)

The EO swore in four (4) members of the public.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Carmillis (Cam) Noltemeyer (ratepayer), Lynne Plambeck (Santa Clarita Organization for Planning and the Environment, (SCOPE)), Stacy Fortner (resident), and Steve Cole (Assistant General Manager, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency) provided public testimony regarding Agenda Item No. 7.a. – Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA or District) Municipal Service Review (MSR)/Sphere of Influence (SOI) Update (MSR/SOI Update).

Mrs. Noltemeyer noted that she submitted a comment letter to the Commission on July 29, 2020.

Mrs. Noltemeyer stated that she did not agree with the staff recommendations, that a local consultant from the Santa Clarita area should have prepared the MSR/SOI Update and that the proposed SOI amendments benefit developers.

Ms. Plambeck, speaking on behalf of SCOPE, indicated that she agreed with the staff recommendation to remove Tapia Ranch from the proposed SOI amendment and the recommendation to include portions of the Chiquita Canyon Landfill (Area B). Ms. Plambeck indicated that the MSR/SOI Update did not address the Valencia Water Company purchase agreement and that the financing authority which finances debt for the SCVWA should have been reviewed within the MSR/SOI Update.

Ms. Fortner stated that the Spring Canyon development is in a High Fire Hazard Area, and the developer previously filed for bankruptcy and approached the SCVWA Board of Directors (Board) for financial assistance. Ms. Fortner stated that the SCVWA Board previously approved a policy for potentially creating a Mello-Roos Community Facilities District (CFD) to fund the Spring Canyon development, which was not addressed in the MSR/SOI Update. She indicated that a district is not authorized to form a CFD.

Commissioner Barger asked what the role of the SCVWA is to form a CFD. The EO addressed Commissioner Barger's question.

Agenda Item No. 7.a. was taken out of order.

7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called for consideration:

- a. MSR No. 2020-06 Municipal Service Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI) Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.

The EO summarized the staff report and introduced LAFCO's consultant, Elliott Mulberg (Principal, E. Mulberg & Associates), to make a presentation concerning the MSR/SOI Update.

Chair Gladbach, who is a member of the SCVWA Board of Directors, asked if he was required to recuse himself from consideration of Agenda Item No. 7.a. Tiffani Shin (Legal Counsel) addressed Chair Gladbach's question.

Commissioner Barger indicated that she supports the formation of a citizens advisory committee as it relates to a possible consolidation of the Los Angeles County Waterworks No. 36, Val Verde and SCVWA.

Commissioner Lesser asked that the VWC purchase agreement and SCWA's financing authority be addressed.

Mr. Cole addressed four (4) issues:

- Rate payer advocate – He indicated that SCVWA representatives are supportive of any public outreach that increases the transparency of the District. SCVWA is starting the process to hire a consultant to conduct a rate study.
- Community facilities district – He stated that the District has the legal authority to form a CFD. The SCVWA Board of Directors approved a policy with a broader approach for the Spring Canyon development.
- Valencia Water Company purchase agreement – He indicated that the former Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA) purchased the Valencia Water Company water resources as it relates to future annexations.
- SCVWA’s financing authority – He noted that the financing authority was utilized by the former CLWA to assist in bond financing which resulted in significant savings for the District and the community.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Adopted and Approved the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency;
- Removed Tapia Ranch from the Proposed Sphere of Influence amendment for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency;
- Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving MSR No. 2020-06 Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency which amends the existing coterminous Sphere of Influence for the remaining six (6) areas, to include, Area A, Area B, Area C, Area D, and Area E; and Tesoro de Valle: Resolution No. 2020-18RMD; and
- Directed the Executive Officer to add the words “Amended August 12, 2020” to the official Los Angeles LAFCO SOI map for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.

MOTION: Finlay SECOND: Barger APPROVED: 6-1-0
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Gladbach
NOES: Mirisch
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Ryu, Solis

The Commission moved back to Agenda Item No. 5.

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 July 08, 2020.
- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of July 2020.
- c. Received and filed update on Pending Proposals.

MOTION: Finlay SECOND: Dear APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Barger, Dear, Close, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Ryu, Solis

8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

The following item was called for consideration:

- a. Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon).

The EO stated that this is the Commission protest hearing pursuant to Government Code Section 57000 *et seq.* and that no written protest(s) have been received in advance of the hearing.

The protest hearing was opened to receive testimony and/or written protest(s). There being no testimony or written protest(s) submitted, the protest hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following action:

- Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations Ordering Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon); Resolution No. 2020-01PR.

MOTION: Barger SECOND: Mirisch APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Ryu, Solis

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Recommendation to Extend the Term of the Contract to Consultant for the Cities of La Mirada and Whittier Municipal Service Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI) Update.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning this item.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Directed staff to negotiate and execute an extension of the term of the existing contract with RSG, Inc., to extend the term (Section 2.1) through March 31, 2021, with potential month-to-month extensions exercisable by the Executive Officer thereafter as necessary, for up to six (6) additional months, with said amendment being approved as to form by LAFCO Counsel; and
- Delegated authority to the Executive Officer to exercise month-to-month extensions of the contract term with RSG, Inc., as necessary for up to six (6) additional months to complete the MSR/SOI Update for the Cities of La Mirada and Whittier.

MOTION: Barger SECOND: Finlay APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Ryu, Solis

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- b. Request for Authorization to Commence Negotiations to Extend Lease at 80 South Lake Avenue, Pasadena.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning this item.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Authorized the Executive Officer to commence negotiations with IDS Real Estate Group (IDS) on a potential lease extension; and
- Instructed the Executive Officer to provide periodic updates to the Commission relative to the status of negotiations with IDS.

MOTION: Barger SECOND: McCallum APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Ryu, Solis

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- c. California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (“CALAFCO”) Elections: Appointment of Voting Representatives and Alternate.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning this item.

The Commission took the following action:

- Designated Commission Chair Jerry Gladbach as the Voting Member and Commission First Vice Chair Don Dear as the Alternate Member for the purpose of voting to elect commissioners to serve upcoming two-year terms on the CALAFCO Board of Directors.

MOTION: Mirisch SECOND: Finlay APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Ryu, Solis

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- d. CALAFCO University Sessions.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning this item. No Commission action was required.

[Commissioner Barger left at 10:30 a.m.]

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- e. FY 2019-20 Davis Farr Audit Planning Letter to Commission.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning this item.

The Commission took the following action:

- Received and filed the Davis Farr Audit Planning Letter to the Commission dated July 16, 2020.

MOTION: Finlay SECOND: McCallum APPROVED: 6-0-0
AYES: Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Barger, Ryu, Solis

10 LEGISLATION

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Legislative Update.

The EO summarized the staff report concerning this item.

The Commission took the following action:

- Took a position opposing the amendments to SB 414, and directed staff to communicate this position to members of the State Legislature and the Governor; and
- Received and filed the Legislative Update.

MOTION: Finlay SECOND: Dear APPROVED: 6-0-0
AYES: Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Barger, Ryu, Solis

11 MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Letter of July 29, 2020 from Orange LAFCO Chair Cheryl Brothers to State Senator Steven Bradford regarding neutral position on SB 625.

[Commissioner Mitchell arrives at 10:34 a.m.]

12 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Lesser indicated that he attended a CALAFCO 101 webinar on August 6, 2020.

[Commissioners Dear and Finlay left at 10:35 a.m.]

13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

a. Written Update

The EO noted that staff received a request yesterday by the Applicant (City of Inglewood) to move the hearing date of September 9th to October 14th for Formation No. 2020-05 of the Inglewood Transportation Management Community Services District.

b. Verbal Update.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Received and filed the Written Update and Verbal Update from the Executive Officer.

MOTION: McCallum SECOND: Mirisch APPROVED: 5-0-0
AYES: Close, McCallum, Mirisch, Mitchell (Alt. for Finlay), Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Barger, Dear, Finlay, Ryu, Solis

14 PUBLIC COMMENT

Adriana Romo (Deputy Executive Officer) read Ms. Plambeck's e-mail comments which were submitted during the meeting.

15 FUTURE MEETINGS

September 9, 2020
October 14, 2020
November 18, 2020 (Special Meeting)

16 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

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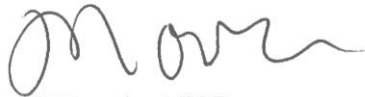
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17 ADJOURNMENT MOTION

The live virtual meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

MOTION: McCallum SECOND: Mirisch APPROVED: 5-0-0
AYES: Close, McCallum, Mirisch, Mitchell (Alt. for Finlay), Gladbach
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Barger, Dear, Finlay, Ryu, Solis

Respectfully submitted,

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

Paul Novak, AICP
Executive Officer

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-018RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MAKING DETERMINATIONS ADOPTING THE
“MSR NO. 2020-06
MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW AND THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE
FOR THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY”**

WHEREAS, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), provides that a Local Agency Formation (LAFCO) shall develop and determine a Sphere of Influence (SOI) for each special district (Government Code Section 56425(a)) and that every five years thereafter, the Commission shall, as necessary, review and update each SOI (Government Code Section 56425(g)); and

WHEREAS, the SOI is the primary planning tool for LAFCO and defines the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local agency as determined by LAFCO; and

WHEREAS, Section 56430 requires that, in order to prepare and to update Spheres of Influence, the Commission shall conduct a Municipal Service Review (MSR) prior to, or in conjunction, with action to update or adopt an SOI; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has undertaken the MSR and SOI Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA); and

WHEREAS, this proposed MSR and SOI Update consists of inhabited territory and is assigned the following short-form designation: “MSR No 2020-06—Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency”; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has submitted to the Commission “Municipal

Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency”, including recommendations relative to any potential changes to the existing SOI for the SCVWA; and

WHEREAS staff shared a Draft MSR with representatives of the SCVWA, and the Draft MSR reflects input provided by this representative and

WHEREAS, the MSR and SOI Update for the SCVWA contain the determinations required by Section 56430 for the municipal services provided by the SCVWA; and

WHEREAS, a map of the existing SOI of the SCVWA is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein; and

WHEREAS, a map of the recommended SOI amendment of the SCVWA is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer set August 12, 2020, as the hearing date on this MSR and SOI update, and gave notice of public hearing pursuant to Government Code Section 56427, wherein the public hearing notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on July 20, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2020, 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, for the SCVWA, and pursuant to Section 56425(d)(5), the Commission has considered the impacts of the proposed MSR and SOI Update relative to Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs), noting that the DUC which is along the southeast boundary of the District and extends beyond the SCVWA's SOI boundaries. This area potentially could be served by the SCVWA or from private wells, sewer service provided by the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County, and fire service provide by the County of Los Angeles Fire Department.

WHEREAS, based upon staff review and the feasibility of governmental reorganization identified in Section 56425(h), staff has determined that any such reorganizations will not further the goals of orderly development and affordable service delivery, and therefore will not recommend reorganization of the SCVWA; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action consists of the adoption of the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, finds that MSR No. 2020-06—Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the update of the Sphere of Influence of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency will have a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). In the alternative, this

recommendation is not a project for the purposes of CEQA because it is an organizational activity of government with no direct or indirect effects on the physical environment and therefore is excluded from the definition of a project, pursuant to Section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

2. The Commission adopts the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, as prepared by E Mulberg & Associates.
3. The Commission hereby amends the Sphere of Influence of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and makes the following determinations in accordance with Government Code Section 56425(e).
 - A. Present and planned land uses in the area: Area A is currently zoned OS-NF (Open Space – National Forest) and will most likely remain as this designation. Including this area within the SOI boundaries of the SCVWA will complete the consolidation of the former boundaries of the NCWD. Area B is designated as Significant Ecological Area and will most likely remain this designation. This area is currently undeveloped as part of a landfill. Including this area within the SOI boundaries of the SCVWA creates a logical boundary line. Area C is developed as residential, including schools and parkland. This area already receives services (formerly served by the VWC). Including this area into the SOI boundaries of the SCVWA allows for a concurrent annexation (Annexation No. 2019-08 to the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency). This fulfills required *Condition No. 9*, which was imposed by the Commission, on April 11, 2018. Area D is currently zoned as H2 or Residential 2 (two dwelling units per acre) and H5 or Residential 5 (five dwelling units per acre). There is currently no proposed development at this time. Including this area within the SOI boundaries of the SCVWA creates a logical boundary line and provides future annexation into the SCVWA for water service. Area E is currently zoned National Forest. There is currently no proposed development at this time. Including this area within the SOI boundaries of the SCVWA provides future annexation into the SCVWA for water

service. The Tesoro de Valle developments (Phase A-D) is a master-planned community. Phase A is already developed as residential. The remaining phases (Phase B-D) of the development are pre-zoned by the City of Santa Clarita. Including this area within the SOI boundaries of the SCVWA provides future annexation into the SCVWA for water service.

- B. Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area: Area A and Area B are currently not served but would require services if land is eventually developed. Area C is currently developed and receiving services from the SCVWA. Area D is currently undeveloped with no proposed development at this time. Area E is currently not served by the SCVWA but would require service for large-scale developments. The remaining phases (Phase B-D) of the Tesoro de Valle development, known as Tesoro Highlands, would require an estimated 298 AFY from the District's storage facilities.
- C. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide: As indicated in Chapter 5 of the MSR/SOI Update, the District has sufficient capacity to provide water service to new development. In addition, there is sufficient capacity at the water treatment facilities.
- D. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest: There are two (2) areas of social or economic communities of interest: City of Santa Clarita and the unincorporated community of Castaic.
- E. Present and probable need for public facilities or services related to sewers, municipal and industrial water, and structural fire protection for any disadvantaged unincorporated communities within the existing and proposed SOI. The DUC located along the southeast boundary of the District and extends beyond the SCVWA's SOI boundaries. This area potentially could be served by the SCVWA or from private wells, sewer service provided by the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County, and fire service provide by the County of Los Angeles Fire Department.

- 4. The Commission has on file a written statement of the functions and classes of service of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and is required to establish the nature, location and extent of any functions or classes of service and that

it provides accordance with Government Code Sections 56425(i).

5. The affected territory is inhabited and is assigned the following short form designation: "MSR No. 2020-06—Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency".
6. A map of the recommended SOI amendment of the SCVWA is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.
7. The Executive Officer's staff report and recommendations for adoption of the MSR and adoption of an SOI Update for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.
8. The Executive Officer is hereby directed to add the words "Amended August 12, 2020" to the official LAFCO SOI map for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.
9. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Section 56882 of the Government Code.

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10. Pursuant to Government Code 56883, the Executive Officer may make non-substantive corrections to this resolution to address any technical defect, error, irregularity, or omission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of August 2020.

MOTION:	Finlay	SECOND: Barger	APPROVED: 6-1-0
AYES:	Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Gladbach		
NOES:	Mirisch		
ABSTAIN:	None.		
ABSENT:	Ryu, Solis		

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



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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-01PR
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MAKING DETERMINATIONS ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 2020-03 TO THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (VERNON)"**

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Fire Protection District 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 Vernon; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 3,300± acres of inhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon)"; 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 fire protection, emergency medical, and related services to the City of Vernon; and

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2020, the Commission approved Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, the Commission set the protest hearing for August 12, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., conducted as a virtual meeting with public participation by U.S. mail, internet and /or telephone; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the protest hearing pursuant to Government Code Sections 56150-56160, 56660-56661, 57025, and 57026, wherein the protest hearing notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on July 22, 2020, which is at least 21 days prior to the protest hearing; and

WHEREAS, at the time and place fixed in the notice, the hearing was held, and any and all oral or written protests, objections, and evidence were received and considered; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, acting as the conducting authority, has the ministerial duty of tabulating the value of protests filed and not withdrawn and either terminating these proceedings if a majority protest exists or ordering the annexation directly or subject to confirmation by the registered voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission finds that this action is within the scope of its California Environmental Quality Act findings made at the Commission hearing on July 8, 2020.
2. The Commission finds that the number of property owners is 642, and the number of registered voters is 104, and the total assessed value of land within the affected territory is \$6,083,555,787.
 - a) The Commission finds that the number of property owners who filed written protests in opposition to Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon) and not withdrawn is 0, which, even if valid, represents less than 25 percent of the number of owners of land who own at least 25 percent of the assessed value of land within the affected territory; and

- b) The Commission finds that the number of registered voters who filed written protests in opposition to Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon) and not withdrawn is 0, which, even if valid, represents less than 25 percent of the number of registered voters residing within boundaries of the affected territory.
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 3,300± acres, is inhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:
- "Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon)"
5. Annexation No. 2020-03 to the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Vernon) is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:
- a. The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles 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 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 inhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the Consolidated Fire Protection 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 12th day of August 2020.

MOTION:	Barger	SECOND:	Mirisch	APPROVED:	7-0-0
AYES:	Barger, Close, Dear, Finlay, McCallum, Mirisch, Gladbach				
NOES:	None.				
ABSTAIN:	None.				
ABSENT:	Ryu, Solis				

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
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**Paul A. Novak, AICP
Executive Officer**