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LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, June 14th, 2023
9:00 a.m.

Room 381-B

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles 90012

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- a. Commissioner(s) request to participate remotely pursuant to Government Code § 54953.(f)(2): Commissioner Francine Oschin requests to participate remotely for the June 14, 2023 Meeting (today).

NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION

CS-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(Government Code § 54957)
 Title: Executive Officer

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
(Government Code § 54957.6)
 Agency Designated Representative – Don Dear
 Unrepresented Employee: Executive Officer

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY CHAIR DEAR**
- 3. DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)**
- 4. SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)**
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on any items, including those items that are on the posted agenda, provided that the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Commission. Public comments are limited to three minutes.

- 6. CONSENT ITEM(S)**

All matters are approved by one motion unless held by a Commissioner or member(s) of the public for discussion or separate action.

- a. Approve Minutes of May 10, 2023.
- b. Approve Operating Account Check Register for the month of May, 2023.
- c. Receive and file Update on Pending Proposals.
- d. Legislative Update
- e. Executive Officer Written Update
- f. Information Item(s) – Government Code §§ 56751 & 56857
 - i. Annexation No. 2023-03 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.
- g. Miscellaneous Communications –
 - i. California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) “Save the Date” Flyer for the 2023 Annual Conference in Monterey (October 18-20, 2023)

7. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption.
- b. Annexation No. 763 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption.
- c. Annexation No. 1109 to Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption.
- d. Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County (Amendment to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County Sphere of Influence), and Environmental Impact Report.

8. PROTEST HEARING(S)

(None)

9. OTHER ITEMS

- a. Interview Finalists for New Alternate Public Member (*continued from the May 10, 2023 Commission Meeting*)
- b. Appoint Alternate Public Member
- c. Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption (*continued from the April 12, 2023 Commission Meeting*)
- d. Proposed Payments Policy (Revisions to existing Check-Signing Policy)
- e. Proposed Filing Fee to Provide New or Different Classes or Functions of Services or to Divest Existing Classes or Functions or Classes of Services
- f. Report to the Commission concerning the City Selection Committee
- g. Appointment of the Public Member
- h. Voting Members for the Southern Region of CALAFCO

10. **REQUESTED POSITION(S) ON LEGISLATION**

(None)

11. **COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioners' questions for staff, announcements of upcoming events and opportunity for Commissioners to briefly report on their LAFCO-related activities since last meeting.

12. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Executive Officer's announcement of upcoming events and brief report on activities of the Executive Officer since the last meeting.

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items not on the posted agenda, provided that the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Commission. Speakers are reminded of the three-minute time limitation.

14. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

July 12, 2023

August 9, 2023

September 13, 2023

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

May 10, 2023

Present:

Donald Dear, Chair

Margaret Finlay (virtual)
John Lee
Robert Lewis (virtual)
Gerard McCallum
Holly Mitchell
Francine Oschin (virtual)

Anthony Bell, Alternate
Michael Davitt, Alternate
Mel Matthews, Alternate (virtual)

Paul Novak, Executive Officer
Tiffiani Shin, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Kathryn Barger
John Mirisch

Hilda Solis, Alternate

Vacant:

City of Los Angeles, Alternate Member
Alternate General Public Member

1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:53 a.m. as both an in-person and virtual meeting.

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Commissioners request to participate remotely pursuant to Government Code § 54953(f)(2): Commissioners Robert Lewis and Francine Oschin request to participate remotely for the May 10, 2023 Meeting (today).

The Commission took the following action:

- Approved Commissioners Lewis' and Oschin's request to participate at today's meeting (May 10, 2023), remotely.

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

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Dear.

3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

The 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).

4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)

No speakers provided testimony.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

The Commission moved to Agenda Item No. 9.a.

9 OTHER ITEMS

The following item was called up for consideration:

- a. Interview Finalists for New Alternate Public Member.

Adriana Romo, Deputy Executive Officer (DEO), summarized the staff report on this item.

The Commission interviewed four (4) of the six (6) candidates for Alternate Public Member.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Interviewed four (4) of the six (6) finalists for Alternate Public Member vacancy; and
- Continued the interviews to the June 14, 2023 meeting to allow the remaining two (2) of the six (6) finalists for Alternate Public Member to be interviewed; and
- Directed staff to agendize the appointment of the new Alternate Public Member at the June 14, 2023 meeting.

MOTION: Mitchell SECOND: McCallum APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Davitt (Alt. for Mirisch), Lee, Lewis, McCallum, Mitchell, Oschin, Dear
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Mirisch

[Commissioner Finlay arrived at 9:15 a.m.]

The Commission moved to Agenda Item Nos. 6.a. through 6.i. (Consent Items).

6 CONSENT ITEM(S)

The Commission took the following actions under Consent Item(s):

- a. Approved Minutes of April 12, 2023.
- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of April 2023.
- c. Received and filed update on Pending Proposals.

- d. Information Item(s) – Government Code §§ 56751 & 56857.
 - i. Reorganization No. 2023-02 to the City of Monrovia (Amendments to the City of Arcadia and City of Monrovia Spheres of Influence; Detachment from the City of Arcadia; and Annexation to the City of Monrovia).
- e. Miscellaneous Communications.
(None).
- f. Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 433 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2023-04RMD.
- g. Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 766 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2023-05RMD.
- h. Legislative Update.
- i. Executive Officer Written Report.

MOTION: McCallum SECOND: Mitchell APPROVED: 7-0-0
AYES: Finlay, Lee, Lewis, McCallum, Mitchell, Oschin, Dear
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Barger, Mirisch

7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

(None).

8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

(None).

10 REQUESTED POSITION(S) ON LEGISLATION

(None).

11 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Chair Dear indicated that Executive Officer Paul Novak's 3-year performance evaluation will be on a future agenda as a Closed Session Item for discussion. Chair Dear noted that completed performance evaluation surveys are due no later than Monday, June 5, 2023.

12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The EO thanked Doug Dorado (Senior Government Analyst), Taylor Morris (GIS Technician), and Alisha O'Brien (Government Analyst) for speaking at the 2023 CALAFCO Workshop in Murphy's.

[Commissioner Mitchell left at 9:32 a.m.]

13 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

14 FUTURE MEETINGS

June 14, 2023

July 12, 2023

August 9, 2023

15 ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Commissioner Dear adjourned the in-person and virtual meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Novak, AICP
Executive Officer

12:50 PM

05/31/23

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Register Report

May 2023

Type	Date	Num	Name	Paid Amount	Balance
May 23					
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11175	CTS Clouds LLC	-1,035.00	-1,035.00
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11176	Eide Bailly	-453.75	-1,488.75
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11177	FedEx	-45.71	-1,534.46
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11178	LACERA	-19,687.99	-21,222.45
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11179	MMASC	-90.00	-21,312.45
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11180	ODP Business Solut...	-386.08	-21,698.53
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11181	The Lincoln National	-319.76	-22,018.29
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11182	Yvonne Green CPA	-150.00	-22,168.29
Bill Pmt -Check	05/01/2023	11183	SP Plus Corporation	-30.00	-22,198.29
Check	05/02/2023	WIRE	TRPF 80 South Lak...	-10,929.02	-33,127.31
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Ambar De La Torre	-2,581.86	-35,709.17
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Douglass S Dorado	-4,359.31	-40,068.48
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Adriana L Flores	-1,529.95	-41,598.43
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Taylor J Morris	-2,467.67	-44,066.10
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Paul A Novak	-6,159.76	-50,225.86
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Alisha O'Brien	-2,699.78	-52,925.64
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Adriana Romo	-3,966.84	-56,892.48
Check	05/15/2023	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-6,639.81	-63,532.29
Check	05/15/2023	DD	State Income Tax	-1,923.00	-65,455.29
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11562	Canon Financial Ser...	-222.93	-65,678.22
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11563	Certified Records M...	-1,205.74	-66,883.96
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11564	Charter Communica...	-447.90	-67,331.86
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11565	County Counsel	-19,976.94	-87,308.80
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11566	FedEx	-27.34	-87,336.14
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11567	LACERA-OPEB	-1,693.01	-89,029.15
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11568	Lagerlof, LLP	-1,488.91	-90,518.06
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11569	Wells Fargo-Elite C...	-2,960.85	-93,478.91
Bill Pmt -Check	05/17/2023	11570	ATT	-278.95	-93,757.86
Bill Pmt -Check	05/19/2023	11579	County of Los Angel...	0.00	-93,757.86
Bill Pmt -Check	05/19/2023	11580	Daily Journal	0.00	-93,757.86
Bill Pmt -Check	05/19/2023	11581	FedEx	0.00	-93,757.86
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Federal Tax Deposit	-6,968.62	-100,726.48
Check	05/30/2023	DD	State Income Tax	-1,936.26	-102,662.74
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Ambar De La Torre	-2,581.85	-105,244.59
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Douglass S Dorado	-3,750.66	-108,995.25
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Adriana L Flores	-1,592.05	-110,587.30
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Taylor J Morris	-2,467.66	-113,054.96
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Paul A Novak	-6,159.75	-119,214.71
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Alisha O'Brien	-2,699.79	-121,914.50
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Adriana Romo	-3,966.84	-125,881.34
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Anthony E Bell	-138.53	-126,019.87
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Michael T Davitt	-138.53	-126,158.40
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Donald Dear	-138.53	-126,296.93
Check	05/30/2023	90269...	Margaret E Finlay	-138.53	-126,435.46
Check	05/30/2023	DD	John S Lee	-138.53	-126,573.99
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Melvin L Matthews	-138.53	-126,712.52
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Gerard McCallum II	-138.53	-126,851.05
Check	05/30/2023	DD	John A Mirisch	-63.75	-126,914.80
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Holly J Mitchell	-134.21	-127,049.01
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Francine Oschin	-138.52	-127,187.53
Check	05/30/2023	DD	Paychex	-236.82	-127,424.35
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11571	County Counsel	0.00	-127,424.35
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11572	County of Los Angel...	-47,851.08	-175,275.43
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11573	Delta Dental*	-2,624.34	-177,899.77
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11574	Deltacare	-153.84	-178,053.61
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11575	Kaiser*	-18,734.76	-196,788.37
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11576	LACERA	-19,637.68	-216,426.05
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11577	MetLife (SafeGuard)	-63.42	-216,489.47
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11578	SDRMA	-9,931.84	-226,421.31
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11582	FedEx	-21.94	-226,443.25
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11583	ODP Business Solut...	-236.95	-226,680.20
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11584	Quadient Finance U...	-200.00	-226,880.20
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11585	SP Plus Corporation	-630.00	-227,510.20
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11586	The Lincoln National	-319.76	-227,829.96
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11587	County Counsel	-801.89	-228,631.85
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11588	County of Los Angel...	-361.47	-228,993.32
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11589	Daily Journal	-672.00	-229,665.32

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May 2023

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Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11590	FedEx	-159.14	-229,824.46
Bill Pmt -Check	05/31/2023	11591	FedEx	-21.99	-229,846.45
May 23				-229,846.45	-229,846.45

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6.c. June 14th, 2023						
PENDING PROPOSALS As of June 6th, 2023						
		LAFCO Designation Number	Applicant	Description	Status	Est. Date of Completion
1	DD	Annexation 2006-12 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Land Resource Investors	Annex 20 acres of vacant land located at the northeast corner of Avenue J and 37th Street East, City of Lancaster. Will be developed into 80 single family homes.	Incomplete application. Email dated 1-30-13 waterworks stopped working on TTR, no water commitment. Emailed applicant 2-6-22	5/16/2006
2	DD	Annexation No. 2006-46 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Annex 1,567 acres of vacant land located near Lake Elizabeth Road and Avenue S in the city of Palmdale. Will be developed into 313 single family home.	Incomplete application. Email dated 1-30-13 waterworks stopped working on TTR, no water commitment. Emailed applicant 2-6-23	10/5/2006
3	DD	Annexation No. 2011-17 (2006-50) to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Behrooz Haverim/Karmyar Lastgari	Annex 20.62 acres of vacant land located south of Avenue H between 42nd Street West and 45th Street West in the City of Lancaster. To be developed into single family homes	Incomplete application. Email dated 1-30-13 waterworks stopped working on TTR, no water commitment. Emailed applicant 2-6-24	12/1/2006
4	DD	Annexation 2008-13 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40	Lancaster School Dist.	Annex 20.47 acres of vacant land located 2 miles west of the Antelope Valley frw. And the nearest paved major streets are ave. H, And Ave. I, in the City of Lancaster. For future construction of a school.	Application complete, missing BOE fees to place on agenda for approval. Emailed district for fees on 4-18-17	9/22/2008
5	DD	Reorganization 2010-04 Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29	Malitex Partners, LLC	Detach 88 acres of vacant land from the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District and annex same said territory to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No 29 and West Basin Municipal Water District. The project includes future construction of three homes and dedicates open space. The project site is located north of Pacific Coast Highway at the end of Murphy Way, in the unincorporated area adjacent to Malibu.	Notice of Filing sent 07-15-10. Incomplete filing: CEQA. EIR on hold 4-14-15. Applicant requested to keep this file open, pending details how to proceed with the project 04/29/15.	6/9/2010
6	DD	City of Palmdale Annexation 2010-05	City of Palmdale	49.6 acres located adjacent to residential properties to the southwest, southeast, and separated by the Amargosa Creek to the north.	Notice of Filing sent 1-3-11 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, insufficient CEQA, unclear pre-zoning ordinance, approved map and legal. Need to include DUC .	10/25/2010
7	DD	Reorganization No. 2014-03 to the City of Calabasas	City of Calabasas	176± acres immediately north of and adjacent to the 101 freeway between the City of Calabasas and Hidden Hills.	Notice of Filing sent 1-8-15. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution and approved map and legal.	12/10/2014
8	DD	Annexation No. 2015-10 to the City of Agoura Hills	City of Agoura Hills	117 acres uninhabited territory. Located northeast and southwest of Chesebro Road directly north of the Highway 101	Notice of Filing sent 11-3-15 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	11/2/2015
9	DD	Reorganization No. 2016-01 to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District	Las Virgenes Municipal Water District	Detachment from West Basin Municipal Water District, and annexation to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District. Both districts require SOI amendments. The territory consists of 26 single-family homes, generally located south of Cairnloch Street, west of Summit Mountain Way. all within the City of Calabasas.	Notice of Filing sent 04-19-16 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, and map and legal not approved.	2/22/2016
10	DD	Annexation No. 2017-09 to the Wilmington Cemetery District	Wilmington Cemetery District	inhabited territory around Wilmington	Notice of Filing sent 6-10-17 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution	7/10/2017

		LAFCO Designation Number	Applicant	Description	Status	Date Filed	Est. Date of Completion
11	DD	Annexation No. 2018-12 to the City of Agoura Hills	City of Agoura Hills	82.58± acres of inhabited territory to the City of Agoura Hills. Area A of the affected territory is generally located east of the intersection of Liberty Canyon Road and Agoura Road and Area C is generally located west of the intersection of Liberty Canyon Road and Revere Way, in Los Angeles County unincorporated territory adjacent to the City of Agoura Hills	Notice of Filing sent 11-20-18 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, CEQA, map of limiting addresses, pre-zoning, register voter labels, approved map and geographic description.	11/19/2018	Unknown
12	DD	Reorganization No. 2019-01 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes	Rajendra Makan	1.17± acres of uninhabited territory located along Re Le Chardlene, east of the intersection of Chandeleur and Rue Le Charlene, in the City of Los Angeles.	Notice of Filing Sent 5-14-19 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution and approved map and legal.	5/14/2019	Unknown
13	DD	Formation No. 2019-06 of the Lower Los Angeles River Recreation and Park District	City of South Gate	inhabited territory, along the Los Angeles River between Vernon and Long Beach	TTR/Auditor's determination, plan for services, and approved map and geographic description.	10/2/2019	Unknown
14	DD	Formation No. 2019-04 of the Acton/Agua Dulce Garbage Disposal District	County of Los Angeles	150,982 acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is located in the unincorporated county area of Acton and Agua Dulce	Notice of Filing sent 9-29-21 financial info, CEQA, and approved map and geographic description.	9/14/2021	Unknown
15	DD	Formation No. 2019-05 East Antelope Valley Garbage Disposal District	County of Los Angeles	459,925 acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is located in the unincorporated county area of the Antelope Valley, east of state route 14.	Notice of Filing sent 9-29-21 financial info, CEQA, and approved map and geographic description.	9/14/2021	Unknown
16	DD	Formation No. 2019-06 of the West Antelope Valley Garbage Disposal District	County of Los Angeles	293,394 acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is located in the unincorporated county area of the Antelope Valley, west of state route 14.	Notice of Filing sent 9-29-21 financial info, CEQA, and approved map and geographic description.	9/14/2021	Unknown
17	DD	Formation No. 2021-07 of the Quartz Hill Garbage Disposal District	County of Los Angeles	6,575 acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is located in the unincorporated county area of Quartz Hill	Notice of Filing sent 9-29-21 financial info, CEQA, and approved map and geographic description.	9/14/2021	Unknown
18	AD	Annexation 433 to District no. 14	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	81 Acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on 40th street East approximately 800 feet south of Avenue L, all within the City of Palmdale.	Notice of Filing Sent 11-4-21 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	11/4/2021	Jun-2023
19	AOB	Reorganization No. 2021-03 for the Artesia Cemetery District, the Downey Cemetery District, and the Little Lake Cemetery District	Artesia Cemetery District, and behalf of Downey Cemetery District and Little Lake Cemetery District	Reorganization of territories located within Cities of Bellflower, Bell Gardens, Cerritos, Downey, La Mirada, Lakewood, Norwalk, Paramount, Santa Fe Springs, South Gate; and Los Angeles County unincorporated territory (South Whittier).	Notice of Filing Sent 12-22-21 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	12/20/2021	Unknown
20	DD	Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury	City of Bradbury	.66± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located along Royal Oaks Drive North between Braewood Drive and Woodlyn Lane, adjacent to the City of Bradbury.	continued to June 2023	11/29/2021	Unknown

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21	DD	Annexation No. 2021-09 to the City of Whittier	City of Whittier	58± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located along Whittier Blvd. between Interstate 605 and Sorensen Ave, adjacent to the City of Whittier.	Notice of Filing sent 12-22-21 Incomplete Filing: property tax transfer resolution, limiting addresses map and list, approved map and geographic description, and BOE fees	12/13/2021	Unknown
22	DD	Reorganization No. 2019-04 to the City of La Verne	Saint George Properties, LLC	19.44± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located north of Baseline Road and Japonica Avenue, adjacent to the City of La Verne.	Notice of Filing sent 12-22-21 Incomplete Filing: property tax transfer resolution, BOE fees and 2nd application submittal	12/21/2021	Unknown
23	DD	Reorganization No. 2021-11 to the City of Los Angeles	Television City Studios, LLC	.64± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located south of the intersection of Beverly Blvd and Genesee Ave, surrounded by the City of Los Angeles.	Notice of Filing sent 3-9-22: property tax transfer resolution, limiting address map & list, pre-zoning ordinance, and BOE fees	12/29/2021	Unknown
24	AOB	Annexation No. 2022-01 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Western Funding, LLC	30± acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is generally located at northwest corner of 40th Street East and Lancaster Boulevard, within the City of Lancaster.	Notice of Filing Sent 02-01-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, approved map and geographic description	1/20/2022	Aug-2023
25	AD	Annexation 434 to District no. 14	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	40.26 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southwest corner of 20th Street West and Avenue D, all within Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-17-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	5/16/2022	Jul-2023
26	AD	Annexation 102 to District no. 20	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	2.56 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Avenue L approximately 400 feet east of 60th Street East, all within the City of Palmdale.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-17-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	5/17/2022	Jul-2023
27	AD	Annexation 763 to District no. 21	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.44 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the east side of Mountain Avenue approximately 100 feet south of Sage Street, all within unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-17-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	5/18/2022	Jul-2023
28	AD	Annexation 766 to District no. 21	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	2.75 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southwest corner of San Jose Hills Road and Atterbury Drive, all within the City of Walnut.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-17-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	5/19/2022	Jun-2023
29	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation No. 1109	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.6 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Sloan Canyon Road approximately 350 feet north of Meadow Grass Drive, all within Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-17-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	5/20/2022	Jul-2023
30	AD	Annexation 58 to District no. 2	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	7.37 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the northwest corner of Marianna Avenue and Worth Street, all within the City of Los Angeles.	Notice of Filing Sent 09-29-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution. Notice of Filing sent not sent.	9/27/2022	Unknown
31	DD	Annexation No. 2022-06 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	New Anaverde, LLC	1.553 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is generally located southeast of the intersection of Elizabeth Lake Road and Ranch Center Drive.	Need better map and geographic description to start. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, NOD, LLC documentation, approved map and geographic description.	9/29/2022	Unknown
32	AD	Annexation 767 to District no. 21	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.32 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the east side of Garey Avenue approximately 100 feet south of White Oak Drive, all within unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-19-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	10/13/2022	Unknown
33	AD	Annexation 440 to District no. 22	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.1 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Holt Avenue approximately 350 feet east of Grand Avenue, all within the City of West Covina.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-19-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	10/13/2022	Unknown

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34	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1107	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	9.68 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the west side of Sierra Highway at Soledad Canyon Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-19-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	10/13/2022	Unknown
35	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1108	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	4.41 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the east side of Alderbrook Drive approximately 100 feet north of Oak Orchard Road, all within the city of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-19-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	10/13/2022	Unknown
36	AD	Annexation 769 to District no. 21	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	2.36 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the east side of Fruit Street approximately 600 feet north of Foothill Boulevard, all within the City of La Verne.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-25-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	10/13/2022	Unknown
37	AD	Annexation 439 to District no. 22	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	4.29 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Winston Avenue approximately 200 feet south of Lemon Avenue, all within the City of Bradbury.	Notice of Filing Sent 10-25-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	10/13/2022	Unknown
38	AD	Annexation 765 to District no. 21	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.75 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Annellen Street approximately 300 feet east of Hacienda Boulevard, all within unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 11-22-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	11/21/2022	Unknown
39	AD	Annexation 438 to District no. 22	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.98 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Cameron Avenue approximately 160 feet south of Navaro Lane, all within the City of West Covina.	Notice of Filing Sent 11-22-22 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	11/21/2022	Unknown
40	DD	Detachment No. 2022-08 from Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Val Verde	Claremont Homes, Inc.	73 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located southwest corner of Mandolin Canyon Road and Sloan Canyon Road, all within unincorporated Los Angeles County (Castaic)	Received application packet 3-15-23 Notice of Filing sent 4-3-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	12/13/2022	Unknown
41	AD	Annexation 437 to District no. 14	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.257 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southeast corner of Market Street and Enterprise Parkway, all within the City of Lancaster.	Notice of Filing Sent 03-08-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	1/23/2023	Unknown
42	AD	Annexation 441 to District no. 22	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.185 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Rancho Del Monico Road approximately 200 feet east of Banna Avenue, all within the City of Covina.	Notice of Filing Sent 03-14-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	3/14/2023	Unknown
43	AD	Annexation 770 to District no. 21	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.226 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southeast corner of Padua Avenue and Lamondette Street, all within the City of Claremont.	Notice of Filing Sent 03-14-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution.	3/14/2023	Unknown
44		Annexation No. 2023-01 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Robert Sarkissian	The application proposes to annex approximately 78.97± acres of uninhabited territory to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley. The affected territory is located southwest of the intersection of Blackbird Way and Lockheed Way, in the City of Palmdale.	Notice of Filing sent 2-15-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, map and geographic description	2/15/2023	Unknown
45	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1115	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	62.093 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Bouquet Canyon Road north of Nickie Lane, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing Sent 04-11-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	4/4/2023	Unknown
46	AD	Annexation 442 to District no. 22	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.42 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the north side of Covina Hills Road approximately 200 feet west of San Joaquin Road, all within the City of Covina.	Notice of Filing Sent 04-18-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	4/5/2023	Unknown
47	AD	Annexation 443 to District no. 22	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	39.61 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located at the northern terminus of Hilltop Drive approximately 120 feet east of Ridge View Drive, all within Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing Sent 04-11-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	4/6/2023	Unknown
48	AOB	Reorganization No. 2023-02 to the City of Monrovia	Elizabeth and Jimmy Kho	0.46 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is generally located at the terminus of El Norte Avenue and 10th Avenue, all within the City of Arcadia.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-01-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, map and geographic description	4/24/2023	Unknown

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49	AOB	Annexation No. 2023-03 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	San Yu Enterprises (NorthPoint Development)	121 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is generally located at the intersection of 20th Street West and Avenue F, all within the unincorporated County territory.	Notice of Filing Sent 05-09-23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, CEQA, map and geographic description.	5/4/2023	Unknown
50	AOB	Annexation No. 2023-05 to the County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley	Real Holdings, LLC (NorthPoint Development)	38 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located at the corner of West Avenue G and 45th Street West, all within the City of Lancaster	Notice of Filing Sent TBD Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution, CEQA, map and geographic description.	5/31/2023	Unknown
51	DD	Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte	HumanGood	19 acres of inhabited territory. The affected territory is located north of Royal Oaks Drive between Braewood Drive and Woodlyn Lane, in Los Angeles County unincorporated territory adjacent to the City of Duarte.	Notice of Filing sent 6-7-23 Incomplete filing: TTR, pre-zoning, party disclosure, limiting addresses, radius map, mailing labels, approved map and legal	5/31/2023	Unknown
52	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1112	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.15 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the northeast corner of Church Street and Cherry Drive, all within Unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing sent 6/6/23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	5/30/2023	Unknown
53	AD	Annexation 438 to District no. 14	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	121.46 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southeast corner of 10th Street West and Avenue M/Columbia Way, all within the City of Palmdale.	Notice of Filing sent 6/6/23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	5/30/2023	Unknown
54	AD	Annexation 101 to District no. 20	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	39.29 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the north side of Pear Blossom Highway, southeast of Fort Tejon Road, all within the City of Palmdale.	Notice of Filing sent 6/6/23 Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	5/30/2023	Unknown
55	AD	Annexation 439 to District no. 14	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	17.52 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the north side of Avenue J-12 and the west side of 60th Street West, all within the City of Lancaster.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	5/30/2023	Unknown
56	AD	Annexation 440 to District no. 14	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.26 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the north side of Avenue L approximately 500 feet west of 50th Street West, all within unincorporated Los Angeles County.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	5/30/2023	Unknown
57	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1128	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.11 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on Trail Ridge Road south of Live Oak Springs Canyon Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	5/30/2023	Unknown
58	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1110	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	4.41 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the south side of Lost Canyon Road approximately 900 feet east of Sand Canyon Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
59	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1111	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.95 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southeast corner of Clearlake Drive and Live Oak Springs Canyon Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
60	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1117	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.65 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the north side of Beneda Lane approximately 120 feet east of Stonehill Way, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
61	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1118	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.69 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the northeast east corner of Scherzinger Lane and Sierra Highway, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
62	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1119	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.9 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located on the southwest corner of Sierra Highway and Sierra Cross Avenue, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
63	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1123	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	2.12 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located southwest of Stonehill Wy and North of Beneda Ln, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown

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64	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1125	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.54 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located between Alderbrook Dr. and Hacienda Ln, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
65	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1126	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	1.4 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located south of Oak Orchard Rd. and north of Placeritos Blvd, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown
66	AD	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Annexation 1127	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts	0.35 acres of uninhabited territory. The affected territory is located to the west of Scherzinger Ln and north of Sierra Cross Avenue, all within the City of Santa Clarita.	Notice of Filing not sent. Incomplete filing: property tax transfer resolution is missing.	6/1/2023	Unknown

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Agenda Item No. 6.d.

Legislative Update

Legislation:

- **AB 1753 (Assembly Local Government Committee):** The annual Omnibus Bill, sponsored by CALAFCO, was introduced on March 2, 2023. **The Assembly unanimously approved AB 1753 on April 27th. The bill is pending before the Senate Governance & Finance Committee.**

Commission Position: SUPPORT (Meeting of April 12, 2023)

- **AB 1460 (Bennett):** This bill, which was introduced on February 17th, is potentially of interest because the introduction mentions the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000. **AB 1460 failed to meet the policy committee deadline, and it is now a two-year bill (and will be removed from future updates for this Legislative Session).**
- **SB 411 (Portantino), SB 537 (Becker), AB 557 (Hart), AB 817 (Pacheco), and AB 1379 (Papan):** These bills address related issues concerning the Ralph M. Brown Act, open meetings, and teleconference meetings. **AB 557 passed the Assembly and is pending before the Senate. SB 411 and SB 537 passed the Senate and are pending before the Assembly. Both AB 817 and AB 1379 failed to meet the policy committee deadline, and both are now two-year bills (and will be removed from future updates for this Legislative Session).**

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that the Commission:

1. Receive and file the Legislative Update.

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Agenda Item No. 6.e.

Executive Officer's Written Report

The Executive Officer reports the following:

- **CALAFCO 2023 Annual Conference:** This year's Annual Conference is scheduled for October 18-20 in Monterey. To the extent commissioners have any interest in a particular topic they would like addressed, please advise staff at your earliest convenience.
- **NorthPoint Development:** On Thursday, May 11th, staff met with representatives of NorthPoint Development, a Kansas City-based owner, developer, and manager of industrial and multifamily properties throughout the United States. The meeting focused on proposed annexation into water and sewer districts for NorthPoint's industrial developments in the Antelope Valley.
- **Presentation:** On Thursday, May 18th, the Executive Officer gave a presentation about LAFCOs to the California Special District Association (CSDA) North Los Angeles County Chapter in Palmdale.

Staff Recommendation:

1. Receive and file the Executive Officer's Report.

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Agenda Item No. 6.f.i.

GOVERNMENT CODE § 56857 NOTICE (For Information Purposes Only, Receive and File)

Upon receipt of any proposed change of organization or reorganization that includes the annexation of territory to any district, if the proposal is not filed by the district to which annexation of territory is proposed, Government Code Section 56857(a) requires the Executive Officer to place the proposal on its agenda for information purposes only, and to transmit a copy of the proposal to any district to which annexation is requested. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56857(b), no more than 60 days after the meeting agenda date, the district to which annexation is being proposed may adopt and submit to the Local Agency Formation Commission (“LAFCO”) a resolution requesting termination of the proceedings. The law requires that any such resolution requesting termination must be based upon written findings supported by substantial evidence in the record that the request is justified by a financial or service-related concern, or the territory is already receiving electrical services under a service area agreement approved by the Public Utilities Commission. Prior to LAFCO’s termination of proceedings, the resolution is subject to judicial review as provided in Government Code Sections 56857(b).

LAFCO may not hear and consider the proposal until after the 60-day termination period has expired unless the district to which an annexation of territory is requested adopts and submits to LAFCO a resolution supporting the proposal.

The following is a summary of the proposal filed with LAFCO:

Annexation No. 2023-03 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley

Description: NorthPoint Development (working on behalf of landowner, San Yu Enterprises, Inc.) filed an application to annex 160± acres of vacant land to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley. The project includes future construction of two (2) industrial warehouse buildings.

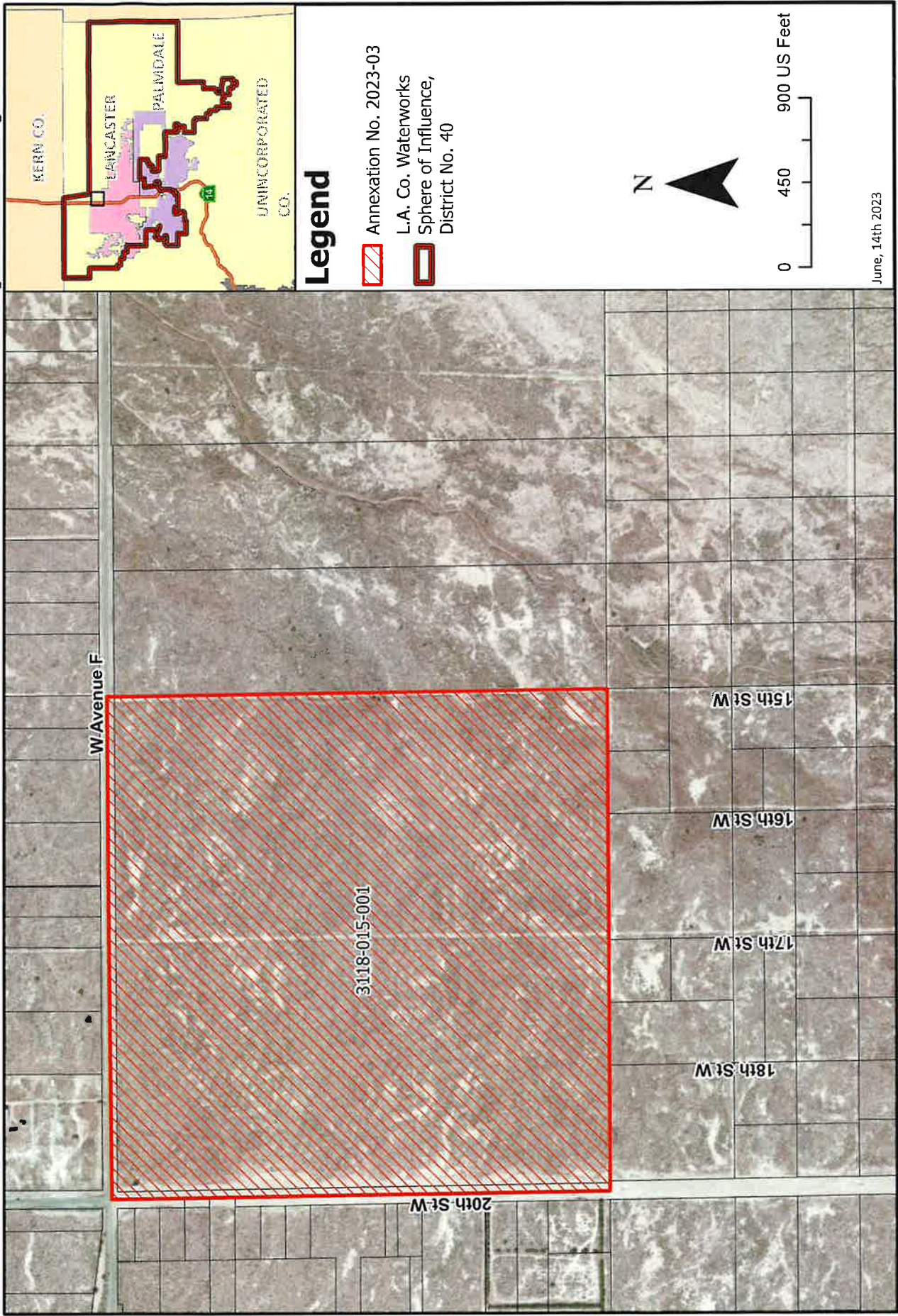
Location: The project site is generally located at the intersection of 20th Street West and Avenue F, located in unincorporated County territory.

The Executive Officer will transmit a copy of the proposal to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley, as required by Government Code Section 56857(a).

Recommended Action

Receive and file.

Annexation No. 2023-03 to L.A. County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley



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Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 7.a.

Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County

PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

Size of Affected Territory:	40.26± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Uninhabited
Applicant:	County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County (District)
Resolution:	February 10, 2022
Application Filed with LAFCO:	May 16, 2022
Certificate of Filing	May 16, 2023
Location:	The affected territory is located on the southwest corner of 20 th Street West and Avenue D.
City/County:	Los Angeles County unincorporated territory.
Affected Territory:	The affected territory is vacant. The territory consists of one (1) proposed full-service automobile center, including fueling stations, convenience store, and a fast-food restaurant. The topography is flat.
Surrounding Territory:	Surrounding territory is residential.
Landowner:	Loves Country Stores California
Registered Voters:	Zero (0) registered voters as of July 28, 2020.
Purpose/Background:	For the District to provide off-site sewage disposal service.
Jurisdictional Changes:	The jurisdictional changes that result from this proposal include annexation to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County.

Within SOI:	Yes. The affected territory is within the County Sanitation District No. 14 SOI.
Public Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56658(h), and upon issuing a Certificate of Filing, the Executive Officer set the proposal for public hearing and gave published notice thereof, within the required ninety (90) days.
Waiver of Protest Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings that would otherwise be required if all of the criteria therein have occurred.
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Clearance:	The proposed annexation is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed annexation will have a significant effect on the environment. A Categorical Exemption was adopted by the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County, as lead agency for this annexation, on February 10, 2022. Additionally, it was previously determined by the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning in a Notice of Exemption filed with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk on April 30, 2021, that the project entitled Love's Travel Center – Antelope Valley, which includes this annexation, is exempt from CEQA.
Additional Information:	None.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING

Pursuant to Government Code § 56020.6, a Certificate of Filing (COF) is “the document issued by the executive officer that confirms an application for a change of organization or reorganization has met submission requirements and is accepted for filing.”

Upon reviewing the proposal for completeness, and pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 56658, the Executive Officer issued the COF to the applicant on May 16, 2023. In conjunction with the issuance of the COF, the Executive Officer set the public hearing date as Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668:

a. Affected population, territory and adjacent areas:

The existing population is zero (0) residents as of July 28, 2020.

The population density issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

The estimated future population is 0 (zero) residents (no anticipated change).

The affected territory is 40.26+/- acres. The affected territory is vacant. The territory consists of one (1) proposed full-service automobile center, including fueling stations, convenience store, and a fast-food restaurant.

The assessed valuation is \$316,229 as of July 28, 2020.

The per capita assessed valuation issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

On February 28, 2023, the County adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution; all other involved public agencies have adopted a corresponding property tax transfer resolution.

The topography of the affected territory is flat.

There are no natural boundaries within or adjacent to the affected territory.

There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The nearest populated area is 3,000 feet to the south of the affected territory.

The affected territory is likely to experience modest growth in the next ten years. The adjacent areas are likely to experience modest growth in the next ten years.

b. *Governmental Services and Controls:*

The affected territory will be developed into one (1) full-service automobile center, including fueling stations, a convenience store, and a fast-food restaurant which requires organized governmental services. The affected territory will require governmental services indefinitely.

The present cost and adequacy of governmental services and controls in the area are acceptable. With respect to sanitary sewage disposal, other than service provided by the District, there is no other sewer service alternative. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health prohibits the installation, alteration, or repair of any on-site wastewater treatment systems for any building for which connection to a public sewer system is available within 200 feet. Due to the proposed land uses within the annexation area and its proximity to existing sewer infrastructure, public sewer service is the only viable alternative for development to occur. The cost of sewage disposal by the District is relatively preferable since the annexation is relatively close to an existing public sewer system. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:*

The proposed action will have no effect on adjacent areas. The proposed action will have no effect on mutual social and economic interests. The proposal has no impact on the local government structure of the County. There is no alternative to public sewage disposal. Service by the District is considered more reliable than septic systems. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space, and Conformity with Open Space Land Conversion Policies in Government Code § 56377:*

The proposal does not conflict with any Commission-adopted policies on urban development and open space conversion.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code § 56377.

e. *Agricultural Lands:*

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code § 56016. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes, land left fallow under a crop rotation program, or land enrolled in an agricultural subsidy or set-aside program. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka "Williamson Act") contract nor in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2020-2021 Status Report).

f. *Boundaries:*

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

As a special district annexation, the proposal has no impact on existing city-county boundaries, nor does it create islands or corridors of unincorporated territory.

g. *Regional Transportation Plan:*

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080. The closest highway to the annexation is part of the RTP and SCS's State Highway improved program. The closest highway in the RTP/SCS is the Antelope Valley Freeway, which is immediately west from the affected territory.

h. *Consistency with Plans:*

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's General Plan designation of Light Industrial (IL).

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning is not a requirement for a special district proposal.

i. *Sphere of Influence:*

The affected territory is within the Sphere of Influence of the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County.

j. *Comments from Public Agencies:*

Staff did not receive any significant comments from public agencies or any resolutions raising objections from any affected agency.

k. *Ability to Provide Services:*

Although the affected territory is not currently served by the District, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District in its Sewer Facilities Plan. The District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant 2020 Facilities Plan.

l. *Timely Availability of Water Supplies:*

There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery. The affected territory is within the boundaries of the Beverly-Martin Water System which is the local water purveyor.

m. Regional Housing Needs:

As a special district annexation, the proposal will not affect any city, nor the county, in achieving their respective fair shares of the regional housing needs as determined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

n. Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents.

o. Land Use Designations

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's General Plan designation of Light Industrial (IL).

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's zoning designation of Light Manufacturing (M-1).

p. Environmental Justice:

The former owners of real property within the affected territory have requested, in writing, that the District provide off-site sewage disposal service. Property-owners of adjacent areas did not request such service, and/or were contacted by Sanitation District staff and were not interested in securing such service or did not respond. The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

There are Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within and adjacent to the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2016-2020 American Community Survey (ACS).

q. Hazard Mitigation Plan:

The County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan (approved February 13, 2019) establishes the County's emergency policies and procedures in the event of a disaster and addresses allocation of resources and protection of the public in the event of an emergency.

The Safety Element of the General Plan for the County of Los Angeles (approved October 6, 2015) addresses reduction of the potential risk of death, injuries, and economic damages resulting from natural and man-made hazards.

The affected territory is not within a Very High Fire Hazard Zone pursuant to maps published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire). The affected territory is not within the maps that identify State Responsibility Area. Both the County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Safety Element of the General Plan include information relating to mitigation and management of wildfire and fire hazard severity zones.

**ADDITIONAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE § 56668.3:**

a) District Annexation or City Detachment:

The proposed action involves a district annexation.

(1) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, district annexations:

The proposed action will be for the interest of the landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the district and within the affected territory.

(2) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, city detachments:

The proposed action does not involve a city detachment.

***(3) Any factors which may be considered by the commission provided in Government
Code § 56668:***

The Commission has addressed the factors in *Government Code* § 56668, subsections (a) through (q), above.

(4) Any resolution raising objections to the action that may be filed by an affected agency:

No affected agency has filed a resolution raising objections to the proposed action.

(5) Any other matters which the commission deems material:

There are no additional matters which the commission deems material to the proposed action.

**REGIONAL GROWTH CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE § 56668.5:**

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080.

Regional growth goal and policies were a consideration of the proposed action.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/OTHER MATTERS (RELEVANT TO THE
PROPOSAL):**

None.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:

The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen within certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE:

Mailed Notice: LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing to “landowners and registered voters within the affected territory” and to “all landowners and registered voters within 300 feet” of the affected territory pursuant to Government Code § 56157(d) and (f); notice “shall be sent first class and deposited, postage prepaid, in the United States mails” pursuant to Government Code § 56155; and notice “shall be mailed at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for hearing” pursuant to Government Code § 56156.

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All requirements for the public hearing notice have been satisfied.

WAIVER OF PROTEST PROCEEDINGS:

Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings if all of the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceedings on the proposal.

All criteria have been met for the Commission to waive protest proceedings; however should written opposition be received by the Commission prior to the conclusion of the Commission proceeding, the matter should be referred to staff to schedule protest proceedings.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposal as a logical and reasonable extension of the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County which will be for the interest of landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the District and within the annexation territory.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony on the annexation;
2. There being no further testimony, close the public hearing; and
3. There being no written opposition submitted by the landowners or registered voters within the affected territory before the conclusion of this hearing on the proposal, waive the protest proceedings pursuant to Government Code § 56663 and Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 434 TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 14
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY"**

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 14 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 § 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 area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 40.26± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation:

"Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 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 (1) proposed full-service automobile center, including fueling stations, a convenience store, and a fast-food restaurant; 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 §§ 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 May 18, 2023, 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, in accordance with Government Code § 56663, mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; and the mailed notice discloses that: 1) the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory, and 2) unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2023, 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, acting as the conducting authority, has the ministerial duty of accepting any written opposition to the proposal and either, waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, if no written opposition was received, or pursuant to Government Code § 57002, set the protest hearing for the next available meeting date, and held 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, unless cancelled or rescheduled by the Commission or the Commission Chair approves

an alternative meeting location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, with respect to Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County, finds that the annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3), because it can be seen within certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.
2. The Commission finds the number of written opposition filed by landowners and registered voters is ____.
3. Mailed notice has been provided pursuant to Government Code § 56663 on May 18, 2023.
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 40.26± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County".
6. Annexation No. 434 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 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 of the Certificate of Completion with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- c. Recordation of the Certificate of Completion shall not occur prior to the conclusion of the 30-day reconsideration period provided under Government Code § 56895.
- d. All fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles (including, but not limited to, fees owed to the County Assessor and/or the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk), and the State of California Board of Equalization; shall be paid by the Applicant, in full, prior to LAFCO's filing the Certificate of Completion. Failure to pay any and all fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles, and the State Board of Equalization, within one year of the Commission approval of this change of organization/reorganization, will result in the change of organization/reorganization being terminated pursuant to Government Code §57001 unless, prior to expiration of that year, the Commission authorizes an extension of time for that completion.
- e. 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.
- f. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.

- g. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
 - h. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
 - i. The map and geographic description of the affected territory shall comply with all requirements of LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and the State of California Board of Equalization. If LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and/or the State of California Board of Equalization require changes, the map and geographic description shall be revised and all associated costs shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
 - j. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "i", 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 § 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
7. Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission finds that all the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from

landowners or registered voters have been submitted before the conclusion of the proceeding/hearing. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission hereby waives protest proceedings.

8. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County.
9. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code § 56882.
10. 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 § 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code § 57200, *et seq.*
11. 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 14th day of June 2023.

MOTION:

SECOND:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

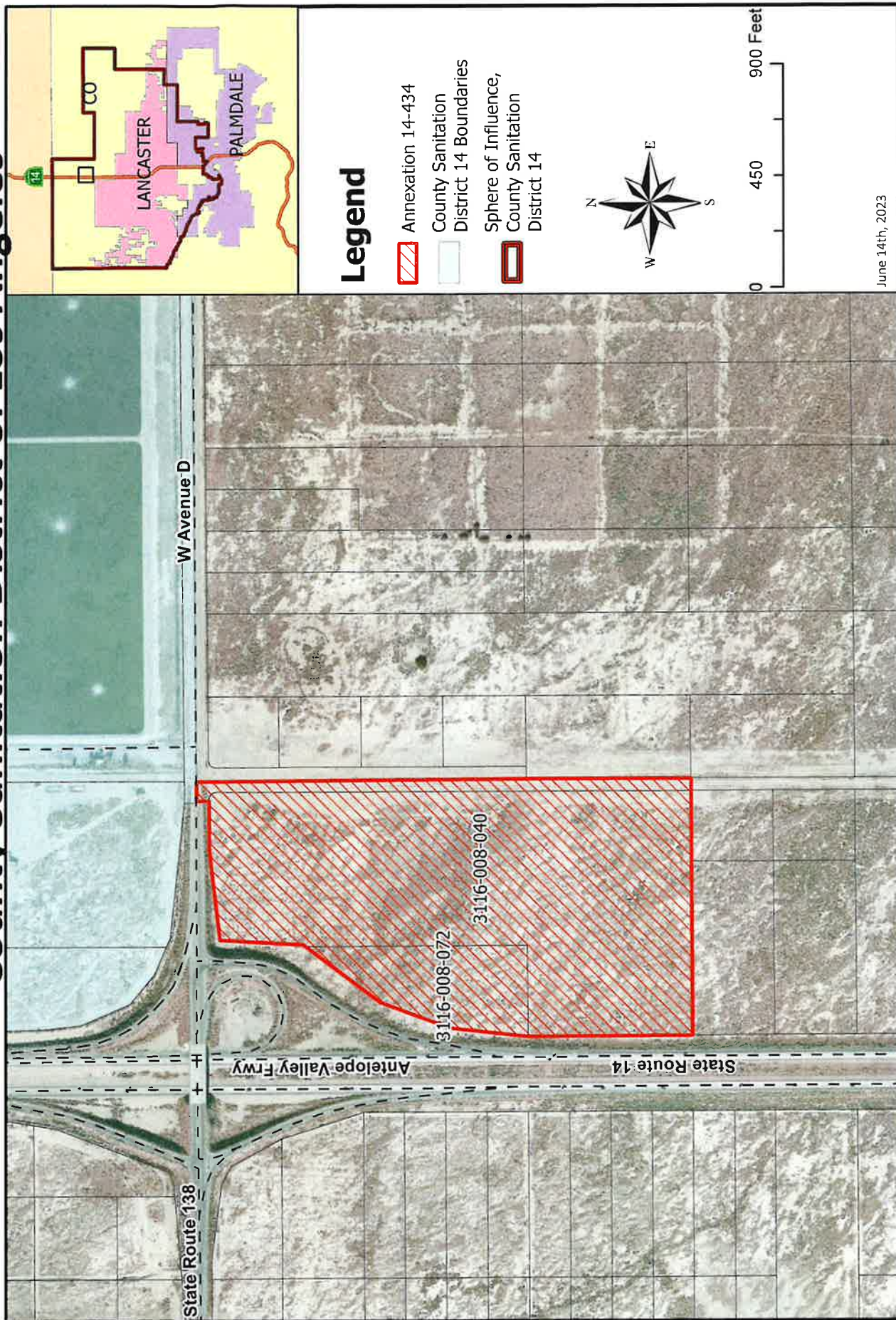
ABSENT:

MOTION PASSES: 0/0/0

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

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

Annexation No. 14-434 to the County Sanitation District of Los Angeles



Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 7.b.

Annexation No. 763 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County

PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

Size of Affected Territory:	0.44± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Uninhabited
Applicant:	County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County (District)
Resolution:	January 26, 2022
Application Filed with LAFCO:	May 16, 2022
Certificate of Filing	May 16, 2023
Location:	The affected territory is located on the east side of Mountain Avenue approximately 100 feet south of Sage Street.
City/County:	Los Angeles County unincorporated territory
Affected Territory:	The affected territory is residential. The territory consists of one (1) existing single-family home. The topography is flat.
Surrounding Territory:	Surrounding territory is residential.
Landowner:	Lee Hsin Lai Chung Yin T
Registered Voters:	One (1) registered voter as of February 3, 2020.
Purpose/Background:	For the District to provide off-site sewage disposal service.
Jurisdictional Changes:	The jurisdictional changes that result from this proposal include annexation to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County.

Within SOI:	Yes. The affected territory is within the County Sanitation District No. 21 SOI.
Public Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56658(h), and upon issuing a Certificate of Filing, the Executive Officer set the proposal for public hearing and gave published notice thereof, within the required ninety (90) days.
Waiver of Protest Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings that would otherwise be required if all of the criteria therein have occurred.
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Clearance:	The proposal is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a) because the annexation area consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning and the sewer service capacity will be to serve the existing structure only. A Categorical Exemption was adopted by the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County, as lead agency, on January 26, 2022.
Additional Information:	None.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING

Pursuant to Government Code § 56020.6, a Certificate of Filing (COF) is “the document issued by the executive officer that confirms an application for a change of organization or reorganization has met submission requirements and is accepted for filing.”

Upon reviewing the proposal for completeness, and pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 56658, the Executive Officer issued the COF to the applicant on May 16, 2023. In conjunction with the issuance of the COF, the Executive Officer set the public hearing date as Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668:

a. Affected population, territory and adjacent areas:

The existing population is one (1) resident as of February 3, 2020. The population density is 2.27 persons per acre.

The estimated future population is 1 resident (no anticipated change).

The affected territory is 0.44+/- acres. The affected territory is residential. The territory consists of one (1) existing single-family home.

The assessed valuation is \$551,352 as of April 26, 2022.

The per capita assessed valuation is \$551,352.

On February 28, 2023, the County adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution; all other involved public agencies have adopted a corresponding property tax transfer resolution.

The topography of the affected territory is flat.

There are no natural boundaries within or adjacent to the affected territory.

There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The affected territory is surrounded by populated areas on all sides.

The affected territory is likely to experience no growth in the next ten years. The adjacent areas are likely to experience no growth in the next ten years.

b. *Governmental Services and Controls:*

The affected territory includes one (1) existing single-family home which requires organized governmental services.

The present cost and adequacy of governmental services and controls in the area are acceptable. With respect to sanitary sewage disposal, other than service provided by the District, there is no other sewer service alternative. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health prohibits the installation, alteration, or repair of any on-site wastewater treatment systems for any building for which connection to a public sewer system is available within 200 feet. Due to the proposed land uses within the annexation area and its proximity to existing sewer infrastructure, public sewer service is the only viable alternative for development to occur. The cost of sewage disposal by the District is relatively preferable since the annexation is relatively close to an existing public sewer system. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:*

The proposed action will have no effect on adjacent areas. The proposed action will have no effect on mutual social and economic interests. The proposal has no impact of the local government structure of the County. There is no alternative to public sewage disposal. Service by the District is considered more reliable than septic systems. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space, and Conformity with Open Space Land Conversion Policies in Government Code § 56377:*

The proposal does not conflict with any Commission-adopted policies on urban development and open space conversion.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code § 56377.

e. *Agricultural Lands:*

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code § 56016. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes, land left fallow under a crop rotation program, or land enrolled in an agricultural subsidy or set-aside program. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka "Williamson Act") contract nor in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2020-2021 Status Report).

f. *Boundaries:*

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

As a special district annexation, the proposal has no impact on existing city-county boundaries, nor does it create islands or corridors of unincorporated territory.

g. *Regional Transportation Plan:*

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080. The closest highway to the annexation is part of the RTP and SCS's State Highway improved program. The closest highway in the RTP/SCS is the Foothill Freeway, which is approximately 800 feet from the affected territory.

h. *Consistency with Plans:*

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's General Plan designation of Residential 5 (H5).

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning is not a requirement for a special district proposal.

i. *Sphere of Influence:*

The affected territory is within the Sphere of Influence of the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County.

j. *Comments from Public Agencies:*

Staff did not receive any significant comments from public agencies or any resolutions raising objections from any affected agency.

k. *Ability to Provide Services:*

Although the affected territory is not currently served by the District, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District in its Sewer Facilities Plan. The District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Joint Outfall System 2010 Master Facilities Plan.

l. *Timely Availability of Water Supplies:*

There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery. The affected territory is within the boundaries of the Golden State Water Company which is the local water purveyor.

m. Regional Housing Needs:

As a special district annexation, the proposal will not affect any city, nor the county, in achieving their respective fair shares of the regional housing needs as determined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

n. Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents.

o. Land Use Designations

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's General Plan designation of Residential 5 (H5).

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's zoning designation of Light Agricultural (A-1-15000).

p. Environmental Justice:

The former owner of real property within the affected territory requested, in writing, that the District provide off-site sewage disposal service. Property-owners of adjacent areas did not request such service, and/or were contacted by Sanitation District staff and were not interested in securing such service or did not respond. The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

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The proposed action does not involve a city detachment.

***(3) Any factors which may be considered by the commission provided in Government
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The Commission has addressed the factors in *Government Code § 56668*, subsections (a) through (q), above.

(4) Any resolution raising objections to the action that may be filed by an affected agency:

No affected agency has filed a resolution raising objections to the proposed action.

(5) Any other matters which the commission deems material:

There are no additional matters which the commission deems material to the proposed action.

**REGIONAL GROWTH CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE § 56668.5:**

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080.

Regional growth goal and policies were a consideration of the proposed action.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/OTHER MATTERS (RELEVANT TO THE
PROPOSAL):**

None.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:

The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319 (a) because the annexation consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning and the sewer service capacity will be to serve the existing structure only. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code § 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would made the exemption inapplicable.

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All criteria have been met for the Commission to waive protest proceedings; however should written opposition be received by the Commission prior to the conclusion of the Commission proceeding, the matter should be referred to staff to schedule protest proceedings.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposal as a logical and reasonable extension of the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County which will be for the interest of landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the District and within the annexation territory.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony on the annexation;
2. There being no further testimony, close the public hearing; and
3. There being no written opposition submitted by the landowners or registered voters within the affected territory before the conclusion of this hearing on the proposal, waive the protest proceedings pursuant to Government Code § 56663 and Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 763 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-00RMD
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"ANNEXATION NO. 763 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 § 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 area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 0.44± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation:

"Annexation No. 763 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 (1) 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 Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing pursuant to Government Code §§ 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 May 18, 2023,

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, in accordance with Government Code § 56663, mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; and the mailed notice discloses that: 1) the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory, and 2) unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2023, 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, acting as the conducting authority, has the ministerial duty of accepting any written opposition to the proposal and either, waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, if no written opposition was received, or pursuant to Government Code § 57002, set the protest hearing for the next available meeting date, and held 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, unless cancelled or rescheduled by the Commission or the Commission Chair approves an alternative meeting location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, with respect to Annexation No. 763 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County, finds that the annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a), because it consists of areas containing existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning and the sewer service capacity will be to serve the existing structure only. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code § 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would made the exemption inapplicable.
2. The Commission finds the number of written opposition filed by landowners and registered voters is ____.
3. Mailed notice has been provided pursuant to Government Code § 56663 on May 18, 2023.
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 0.44± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 763 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of Los Angeles County".
6. Annexation No. 763 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 of the Certificate of Completion with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- c. Recordation of the Certificate of Completion shall not occur prior to the conclusion of the 30-day reconsideration period provided under Government Code § 56895.
- d. All fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles (including, but not limited to, fees owed to the County Assessor and/or the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk), and the State of California Board of Equalization; shall be paid by the Applicant, in full, prior to LAFCO's filing the Certificate of Completion. Failure to pay any and all fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles, and the State Board of Equalization, within one year of the Commission approval of this change of organization/reorganization, will result in the change of organization/reorganization being terminated pursuant to Government Code §57001 unless, prior to expiration of that year, the Commission authorizes an extension of time for that completion.
- e. 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.

- f. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
 - g. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
 - h. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
 - i. The map and geographic description of the affected territory shall comply with all requirements of LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and the State of California Board of Equalization. If LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and/or the State of California Board of Equalization require changes, the map and geographic description shall be revised and all associated costs shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
 - j. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "i", 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 § 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
7. Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission finds that all the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends

to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters have been submitted before the conclusion of the proceeding/hearing. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission hereby waives protest proceedings.

8. 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.
9. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code § 56882.
10. 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 § 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code § 57200, *et seq.*
11. 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 14th day of June 2023.

MOTION:

SECOND:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

MOTION PASSES: 0/0/0

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

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

Annexation No. 763 to the County Sanitation District No. 21 of L.A. County



June, 14th 2023

Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 7.c.

Annexation No. 1109 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County

PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

Size of Affected Territory:	1.6± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Uninhabited
Applicant:	Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County (District)
Resolution:	February 28, 2022
Application Filed with LAFCO:	May 16, 2022
Certificate of Filing	May 16, 2023
Location:	The affected territory is located on Sloan Canyon Road approximately 350 feet north of Meadowgrass Drive.
City/County:	Los Angeles County unincorporated territory.
Affected Territory:	The affected territory is residential. The territory consists of one (1) existing single-family home. The topography is slightly hilly.
Surrounding Territory:	Surrounding the affected territory is residential.
Landowner:	Maria Gonzalez
Registered Voters:	Zero (0) registered voters as of September 15, 2020.
Purpose/Background:	For the District to provide off-site sewage disposal service.
Jurisdictional Changes:	The jurisdictional changes that result from this proposal include annexation to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.

Within SOI:	Yes, the affected territory is within the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District SOI.
Public Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56658(h), and upon issuing a Certificate of Filing, the Executive Officer set the proposal for public hearing and gave published notice thereof, within the required ninety (90) days.
Waiver of Protest Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings that would otherwise be required if all of the criteria therein have occurred.
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Clearance:	The proposal is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a) because the annexation area consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning and the sewer service capacity will be to serve the existing structure only. A Categorical Exemption was adopted by the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County, as lead agency, on February 28, 2022.
Additional Information:	None.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING

Pursuant to Government Code § 56020.6, a Certificate of Filing (COF) is “the document issued by the executive officer that confirms an application for a change of organization or reorganization has met submission requirements and is accepted for filing.”

Upon reviewing the proposal for completeness, and pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 56658, the Executive Officer issued the COF to the applicant on May 16, 2023. In conjunction with the issuance of the COF, the Executive Officer set the public hearing date as Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668:

a. Affected population, territory and adjacent areas:

The existing population is one (1) resident as of September 15, 2020. The population density is .63 persons per acre.

The estimated future population is one (1) resident (no anticipated change).

The affected territory is 1.6+/- acres. The affected territory is residential. The territory consists of one (1) existing single-family home.

The assessed valuation is \$600,785 as of September 15, 2020.

The per capita assessed valuation is 600,785.

On February 28, 2023, the County adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution; all other involved public agencies have adopted a corresponding property tax transfer resolution.

The topography of the affected territory is slightly hilly.

There are no natural boundaries within or adjacent to the affected territory.

There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The affected territory is surrounded by populated areas on all sides.

The affected territory is likely to experience no growth in the next ten years. The adjacent areas are likely to experience modest growth in the next ten years.

b. Governmental Services and Controls:

The affected territory includes one (1) single-family home which requires organized governmental services.

The present cost and adequacy of governmental services and controls in the area are acceptable. With respect to sanitary sewage disposal, other than service provided by the District, there is no other sewer service alternative. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health prohibits the installation, alteration, or repair of any on-site wastewater treatment systems for any building for which connection to a public sewer system is available within 200 feet. Due to the proposed land uses within the annexation area and its proximity to existing sewer infrastructure, public sewer service is the only viable alternative for development to occur. The cost of sewage disposal by the District is relatively preferable since the annexation is relatively close to an existing public sewer system. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:*

The proposed action will have no effect on adjacent areas. The proposed action will have no effect on mutual social and economic interests. The proposal has no impact of the local government structure of the County. There is no alternative to public sewage disposal. Service by the District is considered more reliable than septic systems. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space, and Conformity with Open Space Land Conversion Policies in Government Code § 56377:*

The proposal does not conflict with any Commission-adopted policies on urban development and open space conversion.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code § 56377.

e. *Agricultural Lands:*

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code § 56016. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes, land left fallow under a crop rotation program, or land enrolled in an agricultural subsidy or set-aside program. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka “Williamson Act”) contract nor in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2020-2021 Status Report).

f. *Boundaries:*

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

As a special district annexation, the proposal has no impact on existing city-county boundaries, nor does it create islands or corridors of unincorporated territory.

g. Regional Transportation Plan:

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080. The closest highway to the annexation is part of the RTP and SCS's State Highway improved program. The closest highway in the RTP/SCS is the Interstate 5 Freeway, which is approximately 4,000 feet from the affected territory.

h. Consistency with Plans:

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's General Plan designation of Rural Land 2 (RL2).

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning is not a requirement for a special district proposal.

i. Sphere of Influence:

The affected territory is within the Sphere of Influence of the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of the Los Angeles County.

j. Comments from Public Agencies:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from public agencies or any resolutions raising objections from any affected agency.

k. Ability to Provide Services:

Although the affected territory is not currently served by the District, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District in its sewer facilities plan. The District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the 2015 Santa Clarita Joint Sewerage System Facilities Plan and Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

l. Timely Availability of Water Supplies:

There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery. The affected territory is within the boundaries of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency which is the local water purveyor.

m. Regional Housing Needs:

As a special district annexation, the proposal will not affect any city, nor the county, in achieving their respective fair shares of the regional housing needs as determined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

n. Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents.

o. Land Use Designations

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's General Plan designation of Rural Land 2 (RL2).

The proposal is consistent with the existing County's zoning designation of Heavy Agricultural (A-2-2).

p. Environmental Justice:

The former owner of real property within the affected territory requested, in writing, that the District provide off-site sewage disposal service. Property-owners of adjacent areas did not request such service, and/or were contacted by Sanitation District staff and were not interested in securing such service or did not respond. The proposal makes no representation on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2016-2020 American Community Survey (ACS).

q. Hazard Mitigation Plan:

The County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan (approved February 13, 2019) establishes the County's emergency policies and procedures in the event of a disaster and addresses allocation of resources and protection of the public in the event of an emergency.

The Safety Element of the General Plan for the County of Los Angeles (approved October 6, 2015) addresses reduction of the potential risk of death, injuries, and economic damages resulting from natural and man-made hazards.

The affected territory is within a Very High Fire Hazard Zone pursuant to maps published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire). The affected territory is within the maps that identify State Responsibility Area. Both the County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Safety Element of the General Plan include information relating to mitigation and management of wildfire and fire hazard severity zones.

ADDITIONAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668.3:

a) District Annexation or City Detachment:

The proposed action involves a district annexation.

(1) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, district annexations:

The proposed action will be for the interest of the landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the district and within the affected territory.

(2) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, city detachments:

The proposed action does not involve a city detachment.

(3) Any factors which may be considered by the commission provided in Government Code § 56668:

The Commission has addressed the factors in *Government Code* § 56668, subsections (a) through (q), above.

(4) Any resolution raising objections to the action that may be filed by an affected agency:

No affected agency has filed a resolution raising objections to the proposed action.

(5) Any other matters which the commission deems material:

There are no additional matters which the commission deems material to the proposed action.

REGIONAL GROWTH CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668.5:

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080.

Regional growth goal and policies were a consideration of the proposed action.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/OTHER MATTERS (RELEVANT TO THE PROPOSAL):

None.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:

The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319 (a) because the annexation consists of existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning and the sewer service capacity will be to serve the existing structure only. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other exceptions that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE:

Mailed Notice: LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing to “landowners and registered voters within the affected territory” and to “all landowners and registered voters within 300 feet” of the affected territory pursuant to Government Code § 56157(d) and (f); notice “shall be sent first class and deposited, postage prepaid, in the United States mails” pursuant to Government Code § 56155; and notice “shall be mailed at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for hearing” pursuant to Government Code § 56156.

Newspaper Notice: LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing “in one or more newspapers of general circulation within each affected county, affected city, or affected district,” pursuant to Government Code § 56153, and notice “shall be commenced at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for the public hearing,” pursuant to Government Code § 56154. LAFCO published a hearing notice in the Daily Commerce on May 18, 2023.

All requirements for the public hearing notice have been satisfied.

WAIVER OF PROTEST PROCEEDINGS:

Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings if all of the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceedings on the proposal.

All criteria have been met for the Commission to waive protest proceedings; however should written opposition be received by the Commission prior to the conclusion of the Commission proceeding, the matter should be referred to staff to schedule protest proceedings.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposal as a logical and reasonable extension of the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of the Los Angeles County which will be for the interest of landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the District and within the annexation territory.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony on the annexation;
2. There being no further testimony, close the public hearing; and
3. There being no written opposition submitted by the landowners or registered voters within the affected territory before the conclusion of this hearing on the proposal, waive the protest proceedings pursuant to Government Code § 56663 and Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 1109 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of the Los Angeles County.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 1109 TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT
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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 (1) 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 Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing pursuant to Government Code §§ 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 May 18, 2023,

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, in accordance with Government Code § 56663, mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; and the mailed notice discloses that: 1) the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory, and 2) unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2023, 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, acting as the conducting authority, has the ministerial duty of accepting any written opposition to the proposal and either, waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, if no written opposition was received, or pursuant to Government Code § 57002, set the protest hearing for the next available meeting date, 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, unless cancelled or rescheduled by the Commission or the Commission Chair approves an alternative meeting location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, with respect to Annexation No. 1109 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County, finds that the annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(a), because it consists of areas containing existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning and the sewer service capacity will be to serve the existing structure only. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.
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 - j. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "i", 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 § 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
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mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters have been submitted before the conclusion of the proceeding/hearing. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission hereby waives protest proceedings.

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11. 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 14th day of June 2023.

MOTION:

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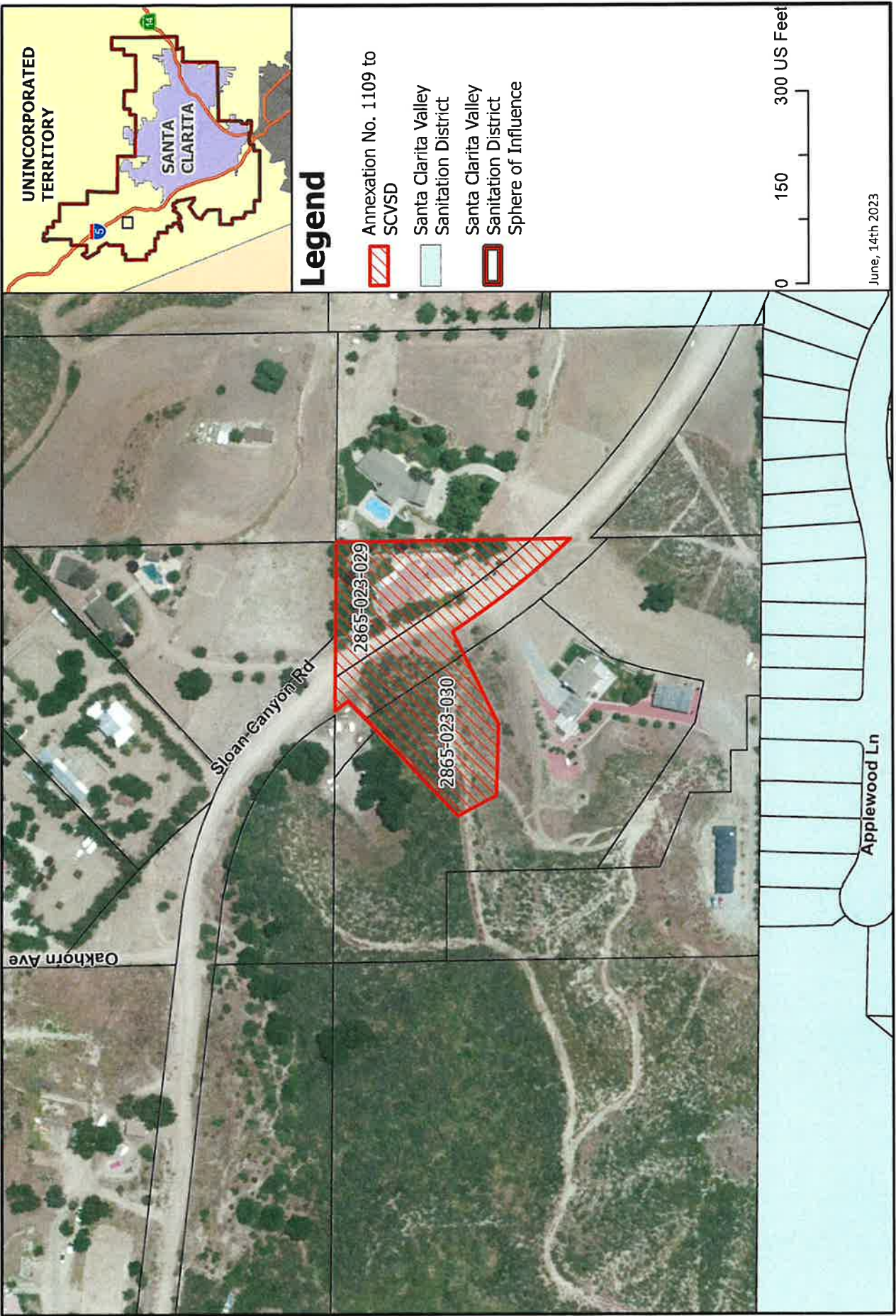
**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
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Local Agency Formation Commission
for the County of Los Angeles

Annexation No. 1109 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of L.A. County



Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 7.d.

**Annexation No. 102 to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20;
Amendment to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 Sphere of Influence (SOI)**

PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

Size of Affected Territory:	2.56± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Uninhabited
Applicant:	County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County (District)
Resolution:	February 16, 2022
Application Filed with LAFCO:	May 16, 2022
Certificate of Filing	May 16, 2023
Location:	The affected territory is located on the south side of Avenue L approximately 400 feet east of 60 th Street East.
City/County:	City of Palmdale
Affected Territory:	The affected territory is vacant. The territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan. The topography is flat.
Surrounding Territory:	Surrounding territory is vacant.
Landowner:	County Sanitation District No. 20
Registered Voters:	Zero (0) registered voters as of November 30, 2021.
Purpose/Background:	The subject territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

Jurisdictional Changes:	The jurisdictional changes as a result of this proposal include an annexation to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County and a concurrent sphere of influence amendment to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20.
Within SOI:	No, a concurrent sphere of influence amendment to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 is being processed with this annexation.
Public Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56658(h), and upon issuing a Certificate of Filing, the Executive Officer set the proposal for public hearing and gave published notice thereof, within the required ninety (90) days.
Waiver of Protest Hearing:	Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings that would otherwise be required if all of the criteria therein have occurred.
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Clearance:	The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) clearance consist of the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan Environmental Impact Report certified by the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County, as lead agency, on October 26, 2005.
Additional Information:	None.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING

Pursuant to Government Code § 56020.6, a Certificate of Filing (COF) is “the document issued by the executive officer that confirms an application for a change of organization or reorganization has met submission requirements and is accepted for filing.”

Upon reviewing the proposal for completeness, and pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 56658, the Executive Officer issued the COF to the applicant on May 16, 2023. In conjunction with the issuance of the COF, the Executive Officer set the public hearing date as Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668:

a. Affected population, territory and adjacent areas:

The existing population is zero (0) residents as of November 30, 2021.

The population density issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

The estimated future population is zero (0) residents (no anticipated change).

The affected territory is 2.56+/- acres. The affected territory is vacant. The territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

The assessed valuation is \$20,217 as of November 30, 2021. The affected agencies have adopted a zero tax exchange resolution.

The per capita assessed valuation issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

The topography of the affected territory is flat.

There are no natural boundaries within or adjacent to the affected territory.

There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The affected territory is not surrounded by populated areas on all sides.

The affected territory is likely to experience no growth in the next ten years. The adjacent areas are likely to experience no growth in the next ten years.

b. *Governmental Services and Controls:*

The affected territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

The present cost and adequacy of governmental services and controls in the area are acceptable.

c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:*

The proposed action will have no effect on adjacent areas. The proposed action will have no effect on mutual social and economic interests. The proposal has no impact of the local government structure of the County. There is no alternative to public sewage disposal. Service by the District is considered more reliable than septic systems. Service by the District is environmentally superior in terms of wastewater treatment, effluent discharge, and impacts on surface water bodies and groundwater.

d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space, and Conformity with Open Space Land Conversion Policies in Government Code § 56377:*

The proposal does not conflict with any Commission-adopted policies on urban development and open space conversion.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code § 56377.

e. *Agricultural Lands:*

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code § 56016. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes, land left fallow under a crop rotation program, or land enrolled in an agricultural subsidy or set-aside program. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka "Williamson Act") contract nor in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2020-2021 Status Report).

f. *Boundaries:*

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

As a special district annexation, the proposal has no impact on existing city-county boundaries, nor does it create islands or corridors of unincorporated territory.

g. *Regional Transportation Plan:*

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to

Government Code § 65080. The closest highway to the annexation is part of the RTP and SCS's State Highway improved program. The closest highway in the RTP/SCS is the Antelope Valley Freeway, which is approximately 3,800 feet from the affected territory.

h. Consistency with Plans:

The proposal is consistent with the existing City's General Plan designation of Industrial.

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning is not a requirement for a special district proposal.

i. Sphere of Influence:

The affected territory is not within the Sphere of Influence of the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County, but a concurrent Sphere of Influence Update is being processed with this application.

j. Comments from Public Agencies:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from public agencies or any resolutions raising objections from any affected agency.

k. Ability to Provide Services:

Although the affected territory is not currently served by the District, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District. The District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

l. Timely Availability of Water Supplies:

There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery. The affected territory is within the boundaries of the East Kern Water Agency which is the local water purveyor.

m. Regional Housing Needs:

As a special district annexation, the proposal will not affect any city, nor the county, in achieving their respective fair shares of the regional housing needs as determined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

n. Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents.

o. Land Use Designations

The proposal is consistent with the existing City's General Plan designation of Industrial.

The proposal is consistent with the existing City's zoning designation of Peregzone Light Industrial (LI).

p. Environmental Justice:

The affected territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of the pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within the affected territory, however, there is an adjacent DUC according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2016-2020 American Community Survey (ACS). Because the property is to be utilized to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan there are no environmental justice issues relative to the adjacent DUC.

q. Hazard Mitigation Plan:

The City of Palmdale Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (approved September 30, 2021) establishes the County's emergency policies and procedures in the event of a disaster and addresses allocation of resources and protection of the public in the event of an emergency.

The Safety Element of the General Plan for the City of Palmdale (adopted January 25, 1993) addresses reduction of the potential risk of death, injuries, and economic damages resulting from natural and man-made hazards.

The affected territory is not within a Very High Fire Hazard Zone pursuant to maps published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire). The affected territory is not within the maps that identify State Responsibility Area. Both the County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Safety Element of the General Plan include information relating to mitigation and management of wildfire and fire hazard severity zones.

**ADDITIONAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE § 56668.3:**

a) District Annexation or City Detachment:

The proposed action involves a district annexation.

(1) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, district annexations:

The proposed action will be for the interest of the landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the district and within the affected territory.

(2) Interest in landowners/inhabitants, city detachments:

The proposed action does not involve a city detachment.

(3) Any factors which may be considered by the commission provided in Government Code § 56668:

The Commission has addressed the factors in *Government Code* § 56668, subsections (a) through (q), above.

(4) Any resolution raising objections to the action that may be filed by an affected agency:

No affected agency has filed a resolution raising objections to the proposed action.

(5) Any other matters which the commission deems material:

There are no additional matters which the commission deems material to the proposed action.

REGIONAL GROWTH CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668.5:

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080.

Regional growth goal and policies were a consideration of the proposed action.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/OTHER MATTERS (RELEVANT TO THE PROPOSAL):

None.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) clearance is the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan Environmental Impact Report certified by the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County, as lead agency, on October 26, 2005. The Commission is a responsible agency pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15096.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE:

Mailed Notice: LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing to “landowners and registered voters within the affected territory” and to “all landowners and registered voters within 300 feet” of the affected territory pursuant to Government Code § 56157(d) and (f); notice “shall be sent first class and deposited, postage prepaid, in the United States mails” pursuant to Government Code § 56155; and notice “shall be mailed at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for hearing” pursuant to Government Code § 56156. LAFCO is also required to provide mailed notice of the public hearing to “each affected local agency, or affected county, and to any interested party who has filed a written request” pursuant to Government Code § 56427.

Newspaper Notice: LAFCO is required to provide notice of the public hearing “in one or more newspapers of general circulation within each affected county, affected city, or affected district,” pursuant to Government Code § 56153, and notice “shall be commenced at least 21 days prior to the date specified in the notice for the public hearing,” pursuant to Government Code § 56154. LAFCO published a hearing notice in the Daily Commerce on May 18, 2023.

All requirements for the public hearing notice have been satisfied.

WAIVER OF PROTEST PROCEEDINGS:

Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission may waive protest proceedings if all of the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceedings on the proposal.

All criteria have been met for the Commission to waive protest proceedings; however should written opposition be received by the Commission prior to the conclusion of the Commission proceeding, the matter should be referred to staff to schedule protest proceedings.

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENT FOR SOI AMENDMENT(S):

Although the Commission may waive the public notice, hearing, and protest hearing relative to the proposed annexation, as described above, a public hearing is still required for the proposed SOI amendment pursuant to Government Code § 56427.

Therefore, the recommended actions include a public hearing on the SOI amendment and a waiver of the notice, hearing, and protest proceedings for the annexation.

SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56425(e):

1. Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area:

The present land use is vacant.

2. *Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area:*

The affected territory is located within the City of Palmdale. Although the affected territory is not currently served by the District, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District. The District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (PWRP) 2025 Facilities Plan.

The affected territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan. Which requires organized governmental services.

3. *Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Services:*

The capacity of the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (PWRP) is 12 mgd. On October 6, 2005 the Board of Directors of District No. 20 approved the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plan 2025 Facilities Plan and certified the associate EIR. The 2025 Plan addresses the sewerage needs of the PWRP service area through the year 2025 and the services planned to meet those needs. The 2025 plan allows the capacity of the PWRP to increase to 22.4 mgd by 2025.

4. *Social or Economic Communities of Interest:*

The subject territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures. The proposal promotes environmental justice, in that there is fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the location of public facilities and the provision of public services.

5. *Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities:*

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within the affected territory, however, there is an adjacent DUC according to the data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2016-2020 American Community Survey (ACS). Because the property is to be utilized to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan, there are no environmental justice issues relative to the adjacent DUC.

**SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO
GOVERNMENT CODE § 56425(i):**

The Commission has a written statement of the functions and classes of service of the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County specifying the nature, location and extent of its classes of service that it provides within its boundary on file. The Commission's written statement remain unchanged by this amendment.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO
GOVERNMENT CODE § 56430(a):**

In order to prepare and to update spheres of influence in accordance with § 56425, the commission shall conduct a Municipal Service Review (MSR) of the municipal services provided in the county or other appropriate area designated by the commission.

A MSR for the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County was completed during the Commission's initial round of service reviews. Since this annexation is not expected to impact the overall comprehensive services of the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County, an MSR is not being required for the current sphere of influence amendment to include the affected territory. At this time, the existing MSR is sufficient to fulfill the requirements of Government Code § 56430 for this sphere amendment.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposal as a logical and reasonable extension of the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County since the subject territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony on the annexation and Sphere of Influence amendment;
2. There being no further testimony, close the public hearing; and
3. Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County; AND Amendment to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County Sphere of Influence.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
" ANNEXATION NO. 102 TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 20
AMENDMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 20
SPHERE OF INFLUENCE (SOI)"**

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 20 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 § 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 Palmdale (City); and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 2.56± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20 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 consists of land the District has acquired in order to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan; 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 proposed annexation ("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 § 56662; and

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

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing pursuant to Government Code §§ 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 May 18, 2023, 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, in accordance with Government Code § 56663, mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; and the mailed notice discloses that: 1) the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory, and 2) unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2023, 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, acting as the conducting authority, has the ministerial duty of accepting any written opposition to the proposal and either, waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, if no written opposition was received, or pursuant to Government Code § 57002, set the protest hearing for the next available meeting date, 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, unless cancelled or rescheduled by the Commission or the Commission Chair approves an alternative meeting location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15096, the Commission considered the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan Final Environmental Impact Report prepared and certified by the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County, as lead agency, on October 26, 2005 for the project; 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 Final Environmental Impact Report; adopts the mitigation monitoring program document, finding that the mitigation monitoring program document is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation as applicable to the responsible agency; finds that there are no further feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures within the Commission's power that would substantially lessen or avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment; and

determines that the significant adverse effects of the project have either been reduced to an acceptable level or are outweighed by the specific considerations of the project, as outlined in the environmental findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations, which findings and statement are adopted and incorporated as applicable herein by reference.

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

- a. The territory encompassed by the annexation is uninhabited; and
- b. Pursuant to Government Code §§ 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 § 56662(a), the Commission may make determinations upon the proposed annexation proposal without notice and hearing and may waive protest proceedings relative to the proposed annexation.

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

3. The Commission hereby amends the Sphere of Influence of the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County and makes the following determinations in accordance with Government Code § 56425(e):

(1) Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area:

The present land use is vacant. The future planned land use is vacant.

(2) Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area:

The affected territory is located within the City of Palmdale. Although the affected territory is not currently served by the District, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District. The District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan. The affected territory consists of land the District has acquired to meet environmental mitigation measures related to the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan (PWRP).

(3) Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Adequacy of Public Services that the Agency Provides or is Authorized to Provide:

The capacity of the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (PWRP) is 12 mgd. On October 6, 2005 the Board of Directors of District No. 20 approved the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plan 2025 Facilities Plan and certified the associate EIR. The 2025 Plan addresses the sewerage needs of the PWRP service area through the year 2025 and the services planned to meet those needs. The 2025 plan allows the capacity of the PWRP to increase to 22.4 mgd by 2025.

(4) Existence of Any Social or Economic Communities of Interest:

There are no significant social or economic communities of interest within the subject territory. The proposal promotes environmental justice, in that there is fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the location of public facilities and the provision of public services.

(5) Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities:

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2016-2020 American Community Survey (ACS).

4. The Commission finds the number of written opposition filed by landowners and registered voters is ____.
5. Mailed notice has been provided pursuant to Government Code § 56663 on May 18, 2023.
6. 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.
7. The affected territory consists of 2.56± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County".
8. Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20 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 of the Certificate of Completion with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- c. Recordation of the Certificate of Completion shall not occur prior to the conclusion of the 30-day reconsideration period provided under Government Code § 56895.
- d. All fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles (including, but not limited to, fees owed to the County Assessor and/or the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk), and the State of California Board of Equalization; shall be paid by the Applicant, in full, prior to LAFCO's filing the Certificate of Completion. Failure to pay any and all fees due to LAFCO, the County of Los Angeles, and the State Board of Equalization, within one year of the Commission approval of this change of organization/reorganization, will result in the change of organization/reorganization being terminated pursuant to Government Code §57001 unless, prior to expiration of that year, the Commission authorizes an extension of time for that completion.

- e. 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.
 - f. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the District.
 - g. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the District.
 - h. Annexation of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the District.
 - i. The map and geographic description of the affected territory shall comply with all requirements of LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and the State of California Board of Equalization. If LAFCO, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, and/or the State of California Board of Equalization require changes, the map and geographic description shall be revised and all associated costs shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
 - j. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "i", 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 § 57325) shall apply to this annexation.
9. Pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission finds that all the following have occurred: 1) mailed notice pursuant to Government Code § 56157 has been given to landowners and registered voters within the affected territory; 2) the mailed notice discloses the potential for the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the City and/or District in the affected territory; 3) the

mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received before the conclusion of the Commission proceeding on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings; and 4) no written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters have been submitted before the conclusion of the proceeding/hearing. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code § 56663, the Commission hereby waives protest proceedings.

10. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County.
11. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code § 56882.
12. 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 § 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code § 57200, *et seq.*
13. 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 14th day of June 2023.

MOTION:

SECOND:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

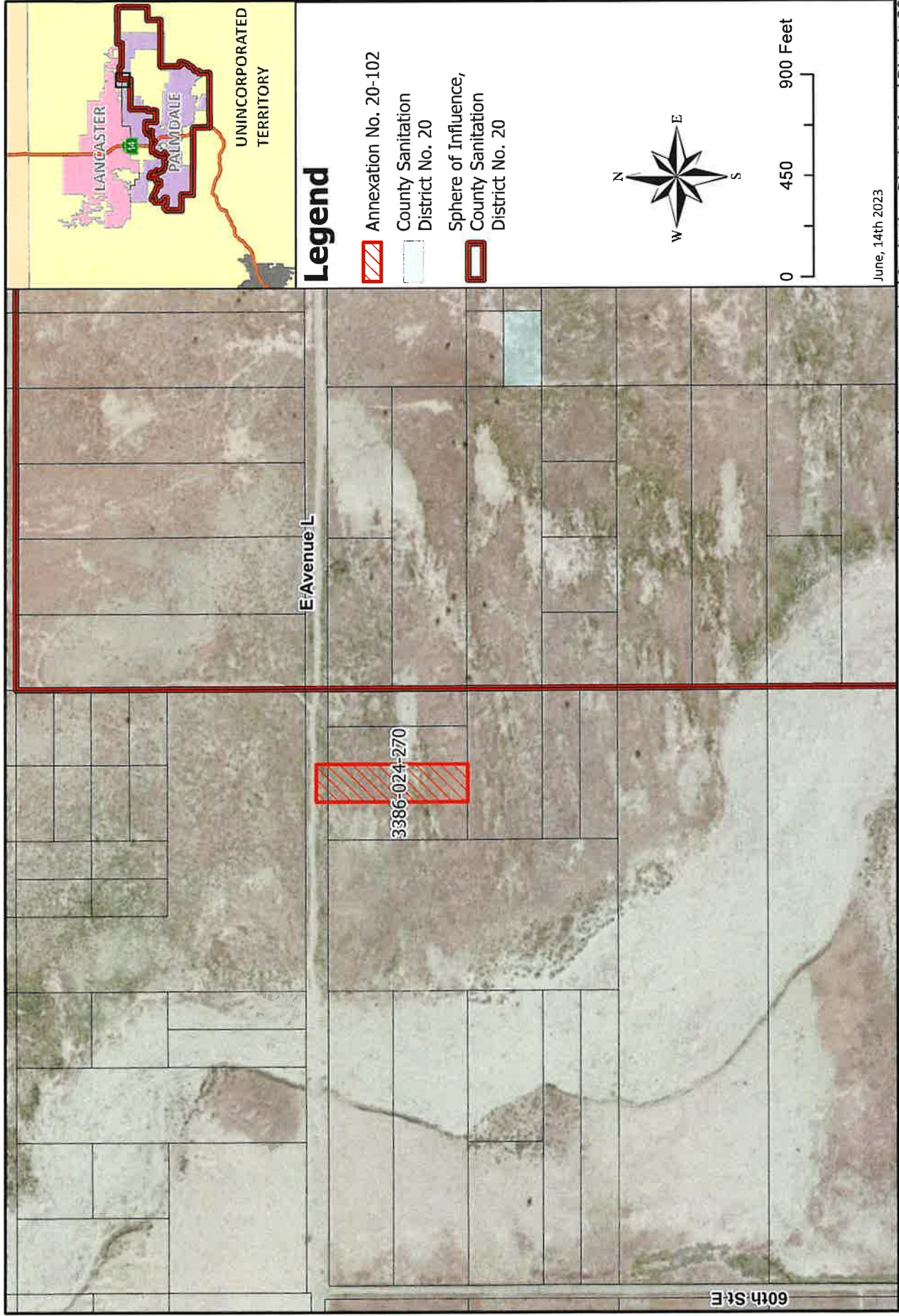
ABSENT:

MOTION PASSES: 0/0/0

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

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

Annexation No. 102 to the County Sanitation District No. 20 of L.A. County, and Amendment to the CSD No. 20 of L.A. County Sphere of Influence



June, 14th 2023

Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 9.a. (Continued from May 10, 2023)

Interview Finalists for the Alternate Public Member Vacancy

Government Code § 56326(f) of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (the “Act”) requires LAFCO to have a public member appointed by the Commission and permits the Commission to appoint an alternate public member. The Alternate Public Member may serve and vote in place of the regular Public Member when that member is absent or disqualifies himself/herself from participating in a Commission meeting.

The Alternate Public Member position on the Commission became vacant in December of 2022. Since that time, the Commission conducted an exhaustive outreach and public awareness program; as a result, fourteen (14) individuals filed applications for this position. An Ad Hoc Committee (composed of Second Vice-Chair Margaret Finlay, Commissioner Kathryn Barger, and Commissioner Mel Matthews) convened to review all applications, and the Committee identified six (6) finalists. At the May 10, 2023 Meeting, four (4) of the six finalists were interviewed. One of the finalists requested their interview be postponed to today’s meeting. The Commission continued the interviews to the June 14th, 2023 meeting to allow the two (2) remaining finalists. Since that time, one of those two finalists withdrew their application for the Alternate Public Member position. At this time, the Commission may conduct the final interview.

Recommended Action:

1. Interview the remaining finalist for the Alternate Public Member vacancy.

Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 9.b.

Appoint Alternate Public Member

Upon the completion of item 9.a. of today's agenda, the Commission will have interviewed all of the finalists for the Alternate Public Member. Four (4) of the six (6) finalists were interviewed at the May 10, 2023 meeting. At that meeting, the Commission voted to interview the two (2) remaining finalists at the June 14th meeting. At today's meeting, the single remaining finalist was afforded the opportunity to be interviewed. The interview process has ended, and the Commission may proceed to select the Alternate Public Member.

The other members of the Commission may appoint the Alternate Public Member pursuant to Government Code Section 56326(f). Note that Commissioner McCallum, as the current public member, is not permitted to participate in the vote to appoint the Alternate Public Member pursuant to the Government Code.

Recommended Action:

1. Appoint a new Alternate Public Member.

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(Continued from April 12, 2023)

Agenda Item No. 9.c.

Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury

PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

Size of Affected Territory:	.66± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Uninhabited
Applicant:	City of Bradbury
Resolution:	November 16, 2021
Application Filed with LAFCO:	November 29, 2021
Certificate of Filing	March 13, 2023
Location:	The affected territory is located along Royal Oaks Drive North between Braewood Drive and Woodlyn Lane.
City/County:	Los Angeles County unincorporated territory adjacent to the City of Bradbury (City).
Affected Territory:	The affected territory consists of portions of Royal Oaks Drive North (publicly-owned right-of-way) adjacent to the cities of Bradbury and Duarte. The topography is flat.
Surrounding Territory:	Surrounding the affected territory is residential uses.
Landowner:	Los Angeles County
Registered Voters:	Zero (0) registered voters as of November 29, 2021.
Purpose/Background:	The City of Bradbury states the annexation is necessary to place all portions of publicly owned right-of-way (Royal Oaks Drive North) within the same jurisdiction. This would allow the City to have control of the entire right-of-way along its southerly boundary in the vicinity of Royal Oaks Drive North.

Jurisdictional Changes:	The jurisdictional changes that result from this proposal include annexation to the City of Bradbury and withdrawal from Los Angeles County Road District No. 5.
Within SOI:	Yes
Waiver of Public/Protest Hearing	Pursuant to Government Code § 56662(a), the Commission may waive notice and the public hearing for the annexation because the proposal meets all of the following criteria: the affected territory is uninhabited; no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for a hearing within ten (10) days as referenced in Government Code § 56662(c); and all owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposal. Staff has therefore agendaized the Proposal on the Commission "Consent Item(s)" section of the Agenda as Agenda Item 6.f.
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Clearance:	The proposal is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) because the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. A Categorical Exemption was adopted by City of Bradbury, as lead agency, on November 16, 2021. The proposal is also categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to § 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.
Additional Information:	Prior to the filing of Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury, staff suggested to City representatives that the proposal be amended to include the remainder of the existing County unincorporated island (the Royal Oaks retirement community) to create the most logical boundary. Although City representatives have considered the additional territory, they have not reached out to staff to modify the City of Bradbury proposal.

On April 12, 2023, the Commission considered the Proposal, including comments both written and in person. At this meeting, eight (8) members of the public and Dan Jordan, City Manager of the City of Duarte testified in opposition to the proposed annexation to the City of Bradbury; Kevin Kearney, City Manager for the City of Bradbury, testified in support of the annexation. At this meeting, staff provided the Commission with a letter from Andrew Smith, the landowner representative adjacent to the affected territory, expressing opposition to the Bradbury annexation and in support of a potential annexation to the City of Duarte that would include both the Royal Oaks Drive North right-of-way and the landowner's parcel (to the immediate north). The Commission voted to continue Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury for sixty (60) days, to today's meeting in order to allow for the filing of an application to annex the landowner's parcel (owned by Human Good) to the north of the affected area into the City of Duarte.

Human Good Proposal:

On May 29, 2023, Andrew Smith, representing the landowner (Human Good) submitted a proposal to LAFCO (Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte) to annex 19.0+/- acres of inhabited territory to the City of Duarte, and to amend the Spheres of Influence (SOIs) for both the City of Duarte (to add the affected territory to Duarte's SOI) and the City of Bradbury (to remove the affected territory from Bradbury's SOI). This proposal includes both the Royal Oaks retirement community as well as the 66± acres of Royal Oaks Drive North (publicly-owned right-of-way) that is the affected territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Bradbury pursuant to proposed Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING

Pursuant to Government Code § 56020.6, a Certificate of Filing (COF) is “the document issued by the Executive Officer that confirms an application for a change of organization or reorganization has met submission requirements and is accepted for filing.”

Upon reviewing the proposal for completeness, and pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 56658, the Executive Officer issued the COF to the applicant, City of Bradbury, on March 13, 2023. In conjunction with the issuance of the COF, the Executive Officer set the date of consideration as Wednesday, April 12, 2023. On April 12, 2023, the Commission considered the Proposal, comments both written and in person, and continued Annexation 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury for 60 days pursuant to Government Section 56666(a).

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668:

a. Affected population, territory and adjacent areas:

The existing population is 0 residents as of November 29, 2021. The population density issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

The estimated future population is 0 residents (no anticipated change).

The affected territory is .66+/- acres. The affected territory consists of portions of publicly-owned right-of-way.

The assessed valuation is \$0 as of November 29, 2021.

The per capita assessed valuation issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

On February 28, 2023, the County adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution; all other involved public agencies have adopted a corresponding property tax transfer resolution

The topography of the affected territory is flat.

There are no natural boundaries within or adjacent to the affected territory.

There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The affected territory is surrounded by populated areas on all sides.

The affected territory is likely to experience no growth in the next ten years. The adjacent areas are likely to experience no growth in the next ten years.

b. Governmental Services and Controls:

The affected territory includes publicly-owned right-of-way which require limited organized governmental services such as traffic enforcement and road maintenance.

The present cost and adequacy of government services and controls in the area are acceptable. The probable effect of the proposed action and of alternative courses of action on the cost and adequacy of services and controls in the affected territory and adjacent areas is minimal.

Municipal Services	Current Service Provider	Proposed Service Provider
Animal Control	Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control	Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (under contract to the City of Bradbury)
Fire and Emergency Medical	Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (CFPD)	Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (under contract to the City of Bradbury)
Flood Control	Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Same
Library	Los Angeles County Library District	Same
Mosquito & Vector Control	San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District	Same
Park and Recreation	Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation	City of Bradbury
Planning	Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning	City of Bradbury
Police Protection	Los Angeles Sheriff Department (LASD)	Los Angeles Sheriff Department (under contract to the City of Bradbury)
Road Maintenance	Los Angeles County Department of Public Works	City of Bradbury
Solid Waste	Private Hauler under franchise to the County of Los Angeles	Private Hauler under franchise to the under contract to the City of Bradbury
Street Lighting	Los Angeles County	City of Bradbury

	Department of Public Works	
Water	Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (wholesaler) and California American Water Company (retailer)	Same
Wastewater	County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County	Same

The County will continue to provide animal control, fire and emergency medical, flood control, library, and police; the San Gabriel Valley Vector Control District will continue to provide mosquito and vector control services; the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District and California American Water Company will continue to provide water services; and County Sanitation District No. 15 of Los Angeles County will continue to provide wastewater services. The County and special districts will continue to provide adequate services and maintain current service levels.

Upon approval of the annexation request, the City of Bradbury will provide park and recreation, planning, road maintenance, and street lighting, as well as solid waste services directly or through contracts. The City will continue to provide adequate services and maintain current service levels.

Potential enhanced services may be financed by general fund revenues, developer impact fees, community facilities districts, bonds, assessments, grants, and/or user fees.

c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:*

The proposed action would preclude any other City—in this instance, the sole city impacted is the City of Duarte—from annexing the area north of the proposed Bradbury annexation. The proposed action may have an effect upon the mutual social and economic interests of the residents of the Royal Oaks Retirement Community, which is located north of the proposed annexation area. The proposal has no impact on the governmental structure of the County.

The effect of alternate actions on the local governmental structure of the County is minimal.

d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space, and Conformity with Open Space Land Conversion Policies in Government Code § 56377:*

The proposal does not conflict with any Commission-adopted policies on urban development and open space conversion.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code § 56377.

e. *Agricultural Lands:*

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code § 56016. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes, land left fallow under a crop rotation program, or land enrolled in an agricultural subsidy or set-aside program. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka “Williamson Act”) contract nor is in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2020-2021 Status Report).

f. Boundaries:

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

The affected territory in this proposed change of organization is contiguous to the existing jurisdictional boundary of the City of Bradbury. “Contiguous” means territory that abuts or shares a common boundary with territory within a local agency.

The proposal would create an island of unincorporated territory, because the adjacent Royal Oaks Retirement Community (the property owned by Human Good) would be completely surrounded by the City of Bradbury.

g. Regional Transportation Plan:

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080. The closest highway to the annexation is part of the RTP and SCS's State Highway improved program. The closest highway in the RTP/SCS is the Interstate 210 Foothill Freeway, which is approximately one-half mile from the affected territory.

h. Consistency with Plans:

The proposal is consistent with the existing County General Plan designation of publicly-owned-right-of-way.

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning was not adopted for the affected territory. Publicly-owned rights-of way are not zoned in the City of Bradbury nor the County of Los Angeles.

i. Sphere of Influence:

The affected territory is within the Sphere of Influence of the City of Bradbury.

j. Comments from Public Agencies:

Staff received comments on December 2, 2022, from the County of Los Angeles with general questions/concerns about the proposal. Kevin Kearney, City Manager for the City of Bradbury indicated in an email on February 1, 2023, that the city has addressed comments made by the County.

Staff also received comments on December 16, 2021, from the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts verifying the affected territory is within County Sanitation District No. 22 of Los Angeles County and the annexation will have no effect on facilities.

At the April 12, 2023 Commission meeting, Kevin Kearney, City Manager for the City of Bradbury spoke in support of the annexation; and Dan Jordan, City Manager for the City of Duarte, spoke in opposition to the annexation.

k. Ability to Provide Services:

The affected territory is currently served by the County of Los Angeles.

The City of Bradbury currently provides municipal services to a residential community of nearly 2.0 square miles in size, with a population of approximately 882 residents. The annexation would add approximately 0.66± acres to its service area. The annexation represents a very modest increase to the city's size, and City representatives have indicated that the City has the ability to provide services to the affected territory once the annexation is complete.

l. Timely Availability of Water Supplies:

There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery. The affected territory is within the boundaries of the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (wholesale water) and the California American Water Company (retail water). Should the annexation be approved, the water service providers would not change.

m. Regional Housing Needs:

The proposed annexation has no impact on the achievement of a fair share of regional housing needs of the City or County. The County and City have agreed to a Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) allocation transfer of zero (0) units from the County to the City.

n. Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents within the affected territory.

o. Land Use Designations

The proposal is consistent with the existing County General Plan designation of publicly-owned-right-of-way.

The proposal is consistent with the existing County zoning designations. Publicly-owned rights-of way are not zoned in the City of Bradbury nor in the County of Los Angeles.

p. Environmental Justice:

The proposal makes no representations on exclusions of peoples of any race, culture, income and/or national origins with respect to the location of public facilities and public services, to ensure a healthy environment for all people such that the effects of pollution are not disproportionately borne by any particular populations or communities.

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory according to data obtained and extracted from the Census Bureau of the United States Department of Commerce 2016-2020 American Community Survey (ACS).

q. Hazard Mitigation Plan:

The County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan (approved February 13, 2019) establishes the County's emergency policies and procedures in the event of a disaster and addresses allocation of resources and protection of the public in the event of an emergency.

The Safety Element of the General Plan for the County of Los Angeles (approved October 6, 2015) addresses reduction of the potential risk of death, injuries, and economic damages resulting from natural and man-made hazards.

The affected territory is not within a Very High Fire Hazard Zone pursuant to maps published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire). The affected territory is not within the maps that identify State Responsibility Area. Both the County of Los Angeles All-Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Safety Element of the General Plan include information relating to mitigation and management of wildfire and fire hazard severity zones.

ADDITIONAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56668.3:

The proposed action involves a city annexation and does not involve a district annexation or city detachment; therefore, Government Code § 56668.3 does not apply.

ADDITIONAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 56744 AND 56375(m):

Government Code section 56744 discourages annexations or incorporations that create islands, providing:

"Unless otherwise determined by the commission pursuant to subdivision (m) of Section 56375, territory shall not be incorporated into, or annexed to, a city pursuant to this division if, as a result of that incorporation or annexation, unincorporated territory is completely surrounded by

that city or by territory of that city on one or more sides and the Pacific Ocean on the remaining sides."

Pursuant to Government Code section 56375(m), in order to approve Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury, the commission must waive the provisions of Government Code section 56744, by finding that "the application of the restrictions would be detrimental to the orderly development of the community and that the area that would be enclosed by the annexation... is so located that it cannot reasonably be annexed to another city..."

At this time, the determinations required by Government Code Section §§ 56744 and 56375(m) cannot be made given the testimony at the April 12, 2023 Commission hearing, and the proposal filed on May 29, 2023, by the landowner to the north (Human Good) to annex to the City of Duarte (Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte, Amendment to the City of Bradbury and City of Duarte Spheres of Influence).

**REGIONAL GROWTH CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT
CODE § 56668.5:**

The Southern California Associated Governments (SCAG) adopted its 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) pursuant to Government Code § 65080.

Regional growth goal and policies were a consideration of the proposed action.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/OTHER MATTERS (RELEVANT TO THE
PROPOSAL):**

Prior to the filing of Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury, staff suggested to City representatives that the proposal be amended to include the remainder of the existing County unincorporated island (the Royal Oaks retirement community) to create the most logical boundary. Although City representatives have considered the additional territory, they have not reached out to staff to modify the proposal.

On April 12, 2023, the Commission considered the Proposal, including comments both written and in person. At this meeting, eight (8) members of the public and Dan Jordan, City Manager of the City of Duarte testified in opposition to the proposed annexation to the City of Bradbury; Kevin Kearney, City Manager for the City of Bradbury, testified in support of the annexation. At this meeting, staff provided the Commission with a letter from Andrew Smith, the landowner representative adjacent to the affected territory, expressing opposition to the Bradbury annexation and in support of a potential annexation to the City of Duarte that would include both the Royal Oaks Drive North right-of-way and the landowner's parcel (to the immediate north). The Commission voted to continue Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury for sixty (60) days, to today's meeting in order to allow for the filing of an application to annex the

landowner's parcel (owned by Human Good)) to the north of the affected area into the City of Duarte.

At today's meeting, and if the Commission decides to continue Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury to a future meeting, two provisions in the Act are particularly relevant:

1. Government Code §56666(a): "The hearing shall be held by the commission upon the date and at the time and place specified. The hearing may be continued from time to time but not to exceed 70 days from the date specified in the original notice."
2. Government Code §56106: "Any provisions in this division [the Act] governing the time within which an official or the commission is to act shall in all instances, except for notice requirements and the requirements of subdivision (h) of Section 56658 and subdivision (b) of Section 56895, be deemed directory, rather than mandatory."

Given "2," above, the Commission has the authority to continue Annexation No. 2021-10, either by taking the matter off calendar entirely, for now, or continuing the matter to a future meeting (a date certain).

On May 29, 2023, Andrew Smith, representing the landowner (Human Good) submitted a proposal to LAFCO (Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte) to annex 19.0+/-acres of inhabited territory to the City of Duarte, and to amend the Spheres of Influence (SOIs) for both the City of Duarte (to add the affected territory to Duarte's SOI) and the City of Bradbury (to remove the affected territory from Bradbury's SOI). This proposal includes both the Royal Oaks retirement community as well .66± acres of Royal Oaks Drive North (publicly-owned right-of-way) that is the affected territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Bradbury pursuant to proposed Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury.

A portion of the affected territory in proposed Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte includes all of the affected territory in Annexation No. 2020-10 to the City of Bradbury.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:

The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) because the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. A Categorical Exemption was adopted by City of Bradbury, as lead agency, on November 16, 2021. The proposal is also categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to § 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.

DETERMINATIONS WITHOUT NOTICE AND HEARING, AND WAIVER OF PROTEST PROCEEDINGS:

Pursuant to Government Code § 56662(a), the Commission may make determinations upon the proposed annexation without notice and hearing and may waive protest hearings for the reasons set forth herein. The territory is uninhabited. To date, no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period referenced in Government Code § 56662(c). Furthermore, the proposal was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all the landowners within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposed annexation; because the affected territory involves publicly-owned right-of-way, there is no landowner, per se, consistent with Government Code § 56048(c). Based thereon, the Commission may make determinations on the proposed annexation without notice and hearing, and the Commission may waive protest proceedings.

CONCLUSION:

Due to the recent submittal of Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte, staff is unable to recommend that the Commission make the determinations required by Government Code §56375(m) for Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury.

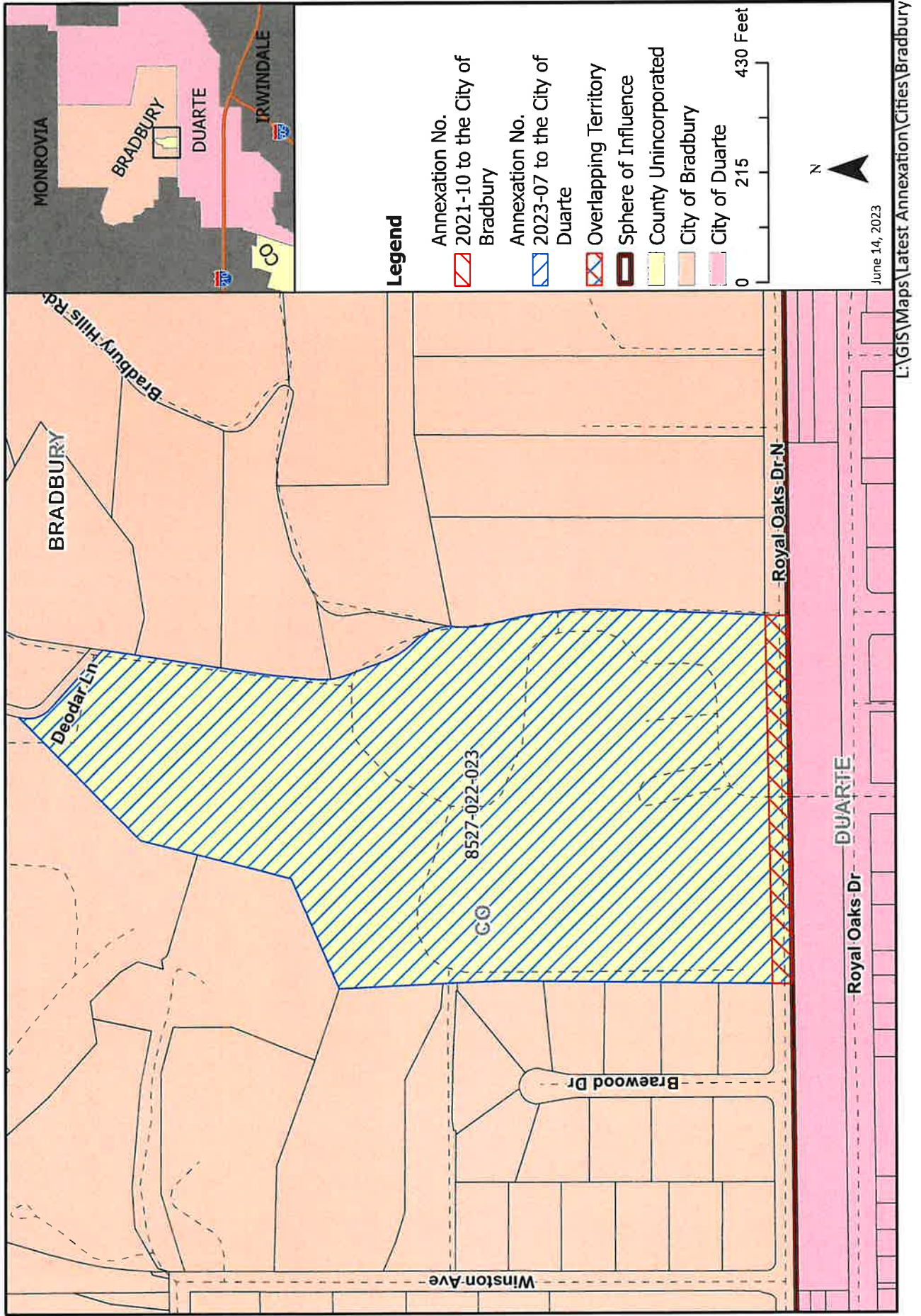
Staff recommends that the Commission continue Annexation 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury for approximately eight (8) months, to the Commission meeting of February 14, 2024. This continuance would accommodate staff's review of Annexation 2023-07 to the City of Duarte and afford Los Angeles County with time to review and draft the necessary property tax transfer resolutions for consideration by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Duarte City Council. Staff would report back to the Commission at the February 14, 2024 meeting on the status of Annexation No 2023-07 to the City of Duarte, at which time the Commission could provide additional direction to staff.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the Commission:

1. Continue Annexation No. 2021-10 to the City of Bradbury to be considered concurrently with Annexation No. 2023-27 to the City of Duarte, Amendments to the City of Bradbury and City of Duarte Spheres of Influence to the February 14, 2024 Commission Meeting; and
2. Direct staff to report to the Commission at the February 14, 2024 meeting on the progress of Annexation No. 2023-07 to the City of Duarte.

Overlapping Territory



Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 9.d.

Proposed Payments Policy (Revisions to existing Check-Signing Policy)

Background:

The Commission adopted a Check Signing Policy in 2012, and has amended the policy in 2016 and 2017. The policy authorizes three Commission officers (Chair, First Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair) and two management level employees (Executive Officer and Deputy Executive Officer) to sign checks. Exercise of this signature authority is limited by additional requirements:

- Checks of \$5,000.00 or more require two signatures, one of which shall be an officer of the Commission;
- Checks in excess of \$1,500.00, but less than \$5,000.00 require two signatures; and
- Checks of \$1,500.00 or less require one signature.

Several recurring charges frequently exceed the \$5,000 threshold, requiring the signature of a Commission Officer:

- Office lease payments (Rent);
- Health Insurance (Employees) payments for medical, dental, and vision coverage; and
- Other Post-Employment Benefits (Retirees) for medical, dental, and vision coverage.
- The medical, dental, and vision insurance payments for employees are consistent with the annual budgets adopted by the Commission in the spring of each year for the forthcoming fiscal year (July 1 to June 30), and are pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding adopted by the Commission and Los Angeles County on October 31, 2017. The health insurance payments for employees are consistent with the annual budgets adopted by the Commission in the spring of each year for the forthcoming fiscal year (July 1 to June 30). The office rent payments are consistent with the annual budgets and with the lease extension with TRPF (landlord) adopted by the Commission on June 9, 2021.

Proposed Changes:

Staff requests that the Commission amend the policy to allow payment by two signatures (Executive Officer and Deputy Executive Officer) for rent, medical, dental, and vision insurance for employees and medical, dental, and vision insurance for retirees. These payments are consistent with previous Commission actions and the annual budget adopted each year.

Since the Check Signing Policy was introduced in 2012, some vendors have authorized payment methods other than checks. These include payments by credit card, wire transfer, and Automated Clearing House (ACH), a system in which funds are electronically deposited in financial institutions and payments are made online. All wire transfer and ACH payments require a two-step approval, in which the EO or DEO initiates the payment, and the other approves the payment. Several vendors are now offering payments using these alternative methods, which are reliable, safe, and less subject to fraud. For these reasons, staff proposes to re-name this policy to the Payments Policy.

Enclosed are copies of the Existing Policy (strikethrough/underline version to show changes) and the Proposed Policy.

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt the proposed revisions to the Check-Signing Policy, as attached, and adopt it as the Commission's Payments Policy.

EXISTING POLICY
(Strikethrough/Underline Version to Show Proposed Changes)

~~Check Signing Policy~~
Payments Policy
(Adopted April 11, 2012)
(Revised October 12, 2016)
(Revised July 12, 2017)
(Revised June 14, 2023)

The following individuals are authorized to sign checks on behalf of LAFCO:

- Commission Officers:
 - Chair;
 - First Vice-Chair; and
 - Second Vice Chair;
- LAFCO Staff:
 - Executive Officer; and
 - Deputy Executive Officer

Signing of checks shall be authorized as follows:

- Payments for medical/dental insurance for employees, consistent with the adopted budget, and as administered by Los Angeles County; payment for medical/dental insurance for retirees, consistent with the adopted budget, and as administered by the Los Angeles County Employee Retirement Association (LACERA); and payment for office rent, consistent with the lease extension between LAFCO and TRPF of June 9, 2021; and for any amount; shall require two signatures:
- For all other payments:
 - For checks payments of \$5,000.00 or more, two signatures shall be required, at least one of which shall be an officer of the Commission;
 - For two or more checks payments to a single payee totaling in excess of \$5,000.00, in one calendar month, two signatures shall be required, at least one of which shall be an officer of the Commission;
 - For checks payments in excess of \$1,500.00, but less than \$5,000.00, two signatures shall be required;
 - For checks payments of \$1,500.00 or less, one signature shall be required;
 - All checks signed in any given month shall be reported on the next available LAFCO agenda under the “Operating Account and Check Register” item; and

- Individuals shall not be a signatory for a check to which he or she is the payee (i.e., reimbursement checks for expenses incurred).

PROPOSED POLICY

Payments Policy¹
(Adopted April 11, 2012)
(Revised October 12, 2016)
(Revised July 12, 2017)
(Revised June 14, 2023)

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- Payments for medical/dental insurance for employees, consistent with the adopted budget, and as administered by Los Angeles County; payment for medical/dental insurance for retirees, consistent with the adopted budget, and as and as administered by the Los Angeles County Employee Retirement Association (LACERA); and payment for office rent, consistent with the lease extension between LAFCO and TRPF of June 9, 2021; and for any amount; shall require two signatures;
- For all other payments:
 - For payments of \$5,000.00 or more, two signatures shall be required, at least one of which shall be an officer of the Commission;
 - For two or more payments to a single payee totaling in excess of \$5,000.00, in one calendar month, two signatures shall be required, at least one of which shall be an officer of the Commission;
 - For payments in excess of \$1,500.00, but less than \$5,000.00, two signatures shall be required;
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- Individuals shall not be a signatory for a check to which he or she is the payee (i.e., reimbursement checks for expenses incurred).

¹ In its original form in 2012, the Payments Policy was known as the Check Signing Policy. The policy name was changed as a component of the revisions adopted on June 124, 2023.

Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 9.e.

Proposed Filing Fee to Provide New or Different Classes or Functions of Services or to Divest Existing Classes or Functions or Classes of Services

At your March 8th Meeting, the Commission adopted a new filing fee schedule, to take effect on July 1, 2023. Since then, staff noticed that the new filing fee schedule does not include a fee for an application to provide new or different classes or functions of services or to divest existing classes or functions or classes of services. Staff is asking the Commission to amend the filing fee schedule to include a fee (\$5,700) for this application.

In making this recommendation, staff notes the following:

- This filing fee would apply only to special districts in Los Angeles County.
- Since 2011, the Commission has considered two applications (or a group of applications) to provide new or different classes or functions of services or to divest existing classes or functions or classes of services. In 2016, and due to a change in State law, the Commission approved a newly-authorized service (stormwater management) for nineteen (19) county sanitation districts. In 2022, the Commission clarified the existing classes and functions of services for the Point Dume Community Services District.
- As was done for all filing fees adopted in March, staff has reviewed the time and costs associated with a proposal to provide new or different classes or functions of services or to divest existing classes or functions or classes of services, and determined it comes to \$5,700. LAFCO's accountant and independent auditor reviewed the calculation of fully burdened labor rates, found them to be accurately compiled and consistent with industry processes, and certified that the substantiations of costs to provide services and the methodology used in calculating the proposed fees follow the best practices for appropriate cost recovery. LAFCO's legal counsel also reviewed the methodology and concur that staff's approach is consistent with all legal requirements.
- Staff has no pending applications to provide new or different classes or functions of services or to divest existing classes or functions or classes of services.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that the Commission:

1. Direct staff to establish a filing fee of \$5,700 for an application to provide new or different classes or functions of services or to divest existing classes or functions or classes of services; and
2. Direct staff to include this filing fee in the Schedule of Filing fees which will take effect on July 1, 2023.

Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 9.f.

Report to the Commission concerning the City Selection Committee

At the April 12th Meeting, your Commission discussed the feasibility of State legislation which would authorize the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee to meet virtually. At that time, staff recommended, and the Commission agreed, to take a position in support of AB 1053 (Gabriel), legislation that would authorize such virtual meetings. Since then, staff has learned that AB 1053 has died, and there exists no legislative proposal addressing the issue.

Given the foregoing, staff is asking the Commission to direct staff to prepare a letter to local legislative leaders (executed by Chair Dear) asking that they consider a new bill concerning this issue.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that the Commission consider the issues identified in this staff report, and:

1. Direct staff to draft a letter, to be signed by Chair Dear, to Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon and Senate President Pro Tem Toni Atkins, with copies to the Los Angeles County delegation (those assemblymembers and senators whose districts include portions of Los Angeles County), asking that the Legislature introduce, consider, and adopt legislation to authorize the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee to meet virtually;

OR

2. Receive and file the Report to the Commission concerning the City Selection Committee.

Staff Report

June 14, 2023

Agenda Item No. 9.g.

Appointment of the Public Member

Section 56326 of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 provides that LAFCO shall have a member “representing the general public appointed by the other members of the commission.” Commissioner Gerard McCallum serves as the Public Member. Commissioner McCallum’s four-year term expired on May 1, 2023. Until he is re-appointed, or the Commission appoints a successor, Commissioner McCallum is holding over in his position, as authorized by Government Code § 56334.

It would be appropriate for the Chair to entertain a motion (or motions) from the Commission to:

- Re-appoint Gerard McCallum to the position of Public Member for the term which expires on May 3, 2027

or

- Provide alternate direction to staff.

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Agenda Item No. 9.h.

Voting Members for the Southern Region of CALAFCO

The Southern Region of the California Local Agency Formation Commissions consists of the Imperial, Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego LAFCOs. The group meets quarterly and discusses topics of interest, such as legislation, CALAFCO Board nominations, information sharing and engage in joint efforts (e.g. joint auditing services). During the meetings, at least one representative from each LAFCO votes on the agenda items, including minutes from prior meetings and nominations of its officers (which are currently on rotation, allowing each LAFCO to be represented). The group works to achieve a consensus in selecting Southern Region representatives to the CALAFCO Board of Directors.

Current voting members for Los Angeles are in alignment with the former Chair and Vice Chair positions held in 2022. At this time, staff recommends the current Chair and Vice-Chairs be allowed to vote on behalf of Los Angeles LAFCO, including the alternates listed below.

Recommended Action:

1. Appoint the Chair, as the voting member for the Southern Region of CALAFCO group, and alternates as follows:
 - i. 1st Vice-Chair, or
 - ii. 2nd Vice-Chair, or
 - iii. Any other Commissioner in attendance, or in their absence:
 - iv. Executive Officer, or in Executive Officer's absence:
 - v. Deputy Executive Officer