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

April 10, 2024

Present:

Donald Dear, Chair

Robert Lewis Gerard McCallum John Mirisch

Anthony Bell, Alternate Wendy Celaya, Alternate Angie Reyes English, Alternate

Paul Novak, Executive Officer Miguel Dager, Legal Counsel

Absent:

Kathryn Barger Margaret Finlay Lindsey Horvath John Lee Francine Oschin

Micah Ali, Alternate Hilda Solis, Alternate

Vacant:

City of Los Angeles, Alternate Member

### 1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. as both an in-person and virtual meeting.

The following item was called up for consideration:

a. Commissioner(s) request to participate remotely pursuant to Government Code § 54953(f)(2).

(None).

### 2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Dear.

3 DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION(S)

(None).

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Executive Officer (EO) announced that the agenda for today's meeting was posted on the LAFCO website on Tuesday, April 2, 2024; and posted at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration on Tuesday, April 2, 2024; in accordance with State law.

Chair Dear announced that Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis declared April 10<sup>th</sup> as Dolores Huerta Day, to commemorate Ms. Huerta's advocacy for equality and civil rights.

4 SWEARING-IN OF SPEAKER(S)

The EO swore-in twenty-six (26) members of the public who planned to testify (attended in a virtual format).

5 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

## 6 CONSENT ITEM(S)

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

- a. Approved Minutes of March 13, 2024.
- b. Approved Operating Account Check Register for the month of March 2024.

- c. Received and filed Update on Pending Proposals.
- d. Received and filed Legislative Update.
- e. Received and filed the Executive Officer's Written Report.
- f. Information Item(s) Government Code § 56751 (city proposal).(None).
- g. Received and filed Information Item(s) Government Code § 56857 (district proposal).
  - i. Annexation No. 2024-04 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.
  - ii. Annexation No. 2024-05 to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.
- h. Miscellaneous Communications (None).
- i. Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 440 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2024-14RMD.

MOTION: McCallum SECOND: Mirisch APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES: Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

### 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called up for consideration:

a. Annexation No. 1108 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.

The EO summarized the staff report on this item.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on this item.

There being no testimony and no written opposition, nor e-mails, submitted prior to the close of the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

## The Commission took the following action:

Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 1108 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2024-15RMD.

MOTION:

McCallum

SECOND: Lewis

APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES:

Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES:

None.

ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT:

Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

### 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called up for consideration:

b. Annexation No. 1112 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.

The EO summarized the staff report on this item.

The EO indicated that staff received two (2) emails and one (1) telephone call from members of the public. Hard copies of those emails were provided to each member of the Commission.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on this item.

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

The Commission took the following action:

 Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 1112 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2024-16RMD.

MOTION:

Bell (Alt. for Oschin)

SECOND: Lewis

APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES:

Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES:

None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT:

Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

### 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called up for consideration:

c. Annexation No. 438 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County.

The EO summarized the staff report on this item.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on this item.

There being no testimony and no written opposition, nor e-mails, submitted prior to the close of the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following action:

• Adopted the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 438 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County; Resolution No. 2024-17RMD.

MOTION: Reves English (Alt. for Finlay) SECOND: Bell (Alt. for Oschin) APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES: Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

### 7 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The following item was called up for consideration:

d. Recommended Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

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

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on this item.

There being no testimony and no written opposition, nor e-mails, submitted prior to the close of the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission took the following actions:

- Adopted the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25; and
- Directed the Executive Officer to transmit the adopted Final Budget to local agencies and other parties, as required by law.

MOTION: McCallum SECOND: Bell (Alt. for Oschin) APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES: Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

### 8 PROTEST HEARING(S)

(None).

The Commission moved to Agenda Item No. 10.a.

### 10 REQUESTED POSITION(S) ON LEGISLATION

a. Request to Oppose AB 2986 (Carrillo).

The EO summarized the staff report for this item.

The EO indicated that numerous emails from members of the public were forwarded to the Commissioners, and hard copies of those emails were provided as well.

The public hearing was opened to receive testimony on this item.

Twenty-six (26) members of the public testified (attended in a virtual format) and agreed with the staff recommendation to take an OPPOSE position on AB 2986. The general consensus of the members of the public who testified was:

- Residents of East Los Angeles do not want to incorporate as a new city.
- Each year, costs increase for police, fire, repair to roads, graffiti removal, and solid waste collection. As a new city, the residents of East Los Angeles would be responsible to pay for those increases.
- Many East Los Angeles residents are still recovering financially from the COVID Pandemic; and increase costs for food, gas, and rent due to inflation.
- Becoming a city would mean that residents would pay higher property taxes.
- Incorporation would make it more difficult to construct affordable housing.

Five (5) members of the public testified in Spanish, and the DEO translated their comments into English for the Commission.

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

The Commission took the following actions:

- Took an "OPPOSE" position on AB 2986, authorized the Chair to sign letters
  documenting this position, and directed staff to convey this opposition to legislators, the
  Governor, and other stakeholders; and
- Authorized the Executive Officer to draft a letter to legislators to recommend limiting the "gut and amend" process.

MOTION: Mirisch SECOND: Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay) APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES: Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

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

### 9 OTHER ITEMS

a. Commissioner Robert Lewis requests to participate remotely for the May 8, 2024 Meeting, for just cause, related to travel while on official business of the body or another agency, pursuant to Government Code § 54953(f)(2).

The Commission took the following action:

• Approved Commissioner Lewis' request to participate remotely for the May 8, 2024 Meeting.

MOTION: Mirisch SECOND: McCallum APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES: Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

### 11 COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Reyes English indicated that the City of Hawthorne is having a service provider fair on Earth Day (April 20<sup>th</sup>).

Commissioner Reyes English thanked the members of the public who provided testimony

supporting the Commission recommendation to OPPOSE AB 2986.

## 12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

(None).

13 PUBLIC COMMENT

(None).

14 FUTURE MEETINGS

May 8, 2024 June 12, 2024 July 10, 2024

## 15 ADJOURNMENT

Chair Dear adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Novak, AICP Executive Officer

# RESOLUTION NO. 2024-14RMD RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING "ANNEXATION NO. 440 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 County of Los Angeles (County); and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 1.26± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation:

"Annexation No. 440 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 service for one (1) proposed single-family home; and

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

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the 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, the Executive Officer set the item for consideration for April 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., at the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 381-B, located at 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2024, this Commission considered the Proposal and the report of the Executive Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1. The Commission is a responsible agency pursuant to CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines § 15096 with respect to the proposed annexation, and in its independent judgment on the record determines that the proposal is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(b) because the annexation consists of an individual small parcel of the minimum size for facilities exempted by Section 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.
- 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 local 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, and hereby does, make determinations on the proposal without notice and hearing, and the Commission may, and hereby does, waive protest proceedings entirely.
- A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.
- 4. The affected territory consists of 1.26± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:
  - "Annexation No. 440 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County".
- 5. Annexation No. 440 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 set forth 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail copies of this resolution as provided in Government Code § 56882.
- 8. 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.
- 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

MOTION:

McCallum

SECOND: Mirisch

APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES:

Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES:

None.

ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Barger

Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Paul A. Novak, AICP Executive Officer

# RESOLUTION NO. 2024-15RMD RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING "ANNEXATION NO. 1108 TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY"

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County (District) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with § 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 Santa Clarita; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 4.41± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation:

"Annexation No. 1108 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County"; and

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

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide off-site sewage disposal service to four (4) proposed single-family homes; and

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

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing pursuant to Government Code §§ 56150-56160, 57025, and 57026, wherein the public hearing notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on March 14,

2024, 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 April 10, 2024, 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

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alternative meeting location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1. The Commission is a responsible agency pursuant to CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines § 15096 with respect to the proposed annexation, and in its independent judgment on the record determines that the proposal is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15319(b) because the annexation consists of individual small parcels of the minimum size for facilities exempted by Section 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.
- 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 March 13, 2024.
- 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 4.41± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:
  - "Annexation No. 1108 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County".
- 6. Annexation No. 1108 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District 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.
- 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 set forth 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 District.
- 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

MOTION:

McCallum

SECOND: Lewis

APPROVED: 6-0-0

**AYES:** 

Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES:

None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT:

Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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

# RESOLUTION NO. 2024-16RMD RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING "ANNEXATION NO. 1112 TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY"

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WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 1.15± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation:

"Annexation No. 1112 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County"; and

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

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is for the District to provide off-site sewage disposal service 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 March 14,

2024, 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 April 10, 2024, 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 is a responsible agency pursuant to CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines § 15096 with respect to the proposed annexation, and in its independent judgment on the record determines that 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 extension of services to the existing facilities would have the capacity to only serve the existing facilities.
- 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 March 13, 2024.
- 4. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.
- 5. The affected territory consists of 1.15± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:
  - "Annexation No. 1112 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County".
- 6. Annexation No. 1112 to the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District 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.

- 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 set forth 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 District.
- 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

MOTION: Bell (Alt. for Oschin) SECOND: Lewis APPROVED: 6-0-0

AYES: Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay),

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Paul A. Novak, AICP Executive Officer

# RESOLUTION NO. 2024-17RMD RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING "ANNEXATION NO. 438 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 City of Palmdale; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of approximately 121.46± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation:

"Annexation No. 438 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 warehouse; 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 March 14,

2024, 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 April 10, 2024, 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. Acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Annexation No. 438 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of the Los Angeles County (District), pursuant to CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines § 15096, the Commission considered the City of Palmdale Hearing Officer Determination (HO-2021-009) for CEQA, the Addendum to EIR No. 90-3 prepared by the City of Palmdale, as lead agency, on January 27, 2022, the Resolution certifying EIR No. 90-3, and EIR No. 90-3 prepared by the City of Palmdale as lead agency for the project; determines that the Commission has independently reviewed and considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the proposed annexation to the District as shown in the Hearing Officer Determination, the Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report No. 90-3, and the Resolution certifying EIR No. 90-3; and adopts the Addendum mitigation monitoring program, as applicable. A Statement of Overriding Consideration (statement) was adopted by the City of Palmdale for direct and cumulative impacts that could not be reduced by a level of insignificance by the incorporation of mitigation measures into the project. The significant impacts identified included direct impacts to land use (loss of open space), local and regional air quality, biological (loss of habitat), and emergency services (increased fire and sheriff service demand). All other impacts were found to be mitigatable to a level of insignificance by the mitigation measures imposed on the project. The Commission further determines that the significant adverse effects of the project as applicable to the annexation have either been reduced to an acceptable level or are outweighed by the specific considerations of the project, as outlined in the statement, which findings and statement are adopted and incorporated herein by reference as applicable.

- 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 March 13, 2024.
- 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 121.46± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:
  - "Annexation No. 438 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County".
- 6. Annexation No. 438 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.
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be revised and all associated costs shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

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as provided in Government Code § 56882.

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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 10th day of April 2024.

APPROVED: 6-0-0 SECOND: Bell (Alt. for Oschin) MOTION: Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay)

Bell (Alt. for Oschin), Lewis, McCallum, Mirisch, Reyes English (Alt. for Finlay), AYES:

Dear

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

Barger, Finlay, Horvath, Lee, Oschin ABSENT:

> LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Paul A. Novak, AICP

**Executive Officer**