

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

Wednesday, March 22, 2006  
9:00 a.m.

Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, Room 381B  
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles 90012

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1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY CHAIRMAN PELLISSIER.**
3. **GOVERNMENT CODE § 56857 NOTICES**  
(For Informational 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 is proposed, Government Code Section 56857 requires LAFCO to place the proposal on its agenda for informational purposes only.

- a. Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Annexation No. 2006-06.
- b. Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Annexation No. 2006-08.

4. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. Correction to Resolution No. 2006-02 RD Making Determinations and Approving City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2002-09A (Stonecrest) and scheduling of date for a new protest hearing on the matter.
- b. Pending Retirement of the Executive Officer – Larry J. Calemine
- c. Approve minutes of the meeting held March 8, 2006.
- d. Receive and file Municipal Service Reviews and Spheres of Influence Update.
- e. Receive and file update on pending applications.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items that are 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.

6. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

April 12, 2006  
April 26, 2006

7. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Items not on the posted agenda which, if requested, will be referred to staff or placed on a future agenda for discussion and action by the Commission, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

8. **ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

**Staff Report**

**March 22, 2006  
Agenda Item No. 3**

**GOVERNMENT CODE § 56857 NOTICES**

**(For Informational Purposes Only, Receive and File)  
Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40**

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 requires LAFCO to place the proposal on its agenda for informational purpose only. Within 60 days of the meeting date, the annexing district may adopt and submit to LAFCO a resolution requesting termination of the annexation proceedings. The law requires that the annexing district "present written findings supported by substantial evidence in the record that the termination request is justified by a financial or service related concern." Prior to the Commission's determination of termination of proceedings the resolution is subject to judicial review. Waiver of 60-Day Termination Period Under section 56857, LAFCO may not hear and consider the proposed annexation until the 60-day termination period has expired. The Code provides, however, that the commission may waive the 60-day termination period if the annexing district adopts and submits to LAFCO a resolution supporting the change of organization or reorganization.

The following is a summary of the annexation proposals filed:

- a. *Project Description – Annexation No. 2006-06*  
An application has been filed by Ave K & 30<sup>th</sup> Street East LLC to annex 15.28± acres of vacant land, which is currently being planned for development as 45 residential units, into the boundaries of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40. APN Nos. 3170-007-041 and 3170-007-043.

*Project Location*

Tentative Tract Map 061574 is located on the Southwest corner of 30<sup>th</sup> Street East and Avenue K extending south to Avenue K-4, in the City of Lancaster.

- b. *Project Description – Annexation 2006-08*  
Global Investment & Development, LLC has filed an application, on behalf of Nelson D. & Arsenia B. DeLaCruz, Lincoln Hung, Leung Soo, Christine Lung Soo and Lancaster Blvd and 42<sup>nd</sup> St West LLC, to annex 10± acres of vacant territory into the boundaries of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40. APN Nos. 3153-008-006, -007 and -009.

*Project Location*

The project site is located in the southeast corner of 42<sup>nd</sup> Street West and Avenue I, in the City of Lancaster.

**Recommended Action**

Receive and file.

## **STAFF REPORT**

**March 22, 2006**

### **CITY OF SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION NO. 2002-09A (Stonecrest)**

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4a**

Item No. 4.a is the request from LAFCO staff for the Commission to approve a correction, pursuant to Government Code Section 56883, to LAFCO Resolution No. 2006-02 RD, Making and Approving Annexation No. 2002-09A to the City of Santa Clarita, and to set a new date for the protest hearing on this matter.

**Background** - On January 11, 2006, LAFCO held an initial public hearing regarding City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2002-09A, otherwise known as the “Stonecrest Annexation.” At that hearing the Commission approved the annexation and adopted the Resolution Making Determinations and Approving City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2002-09A. LAFCO staff scheduled a protest hearing on the item for February 22, 2006, pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, which states that the date of the protest hearing shall not be less than 21 days or more than 60 days, after the date the notice is given.

LAFCO staff erred in scheduling the Protest Hearing. Government Code Section 57026(f)(2) states that if inhabited territory is annexed to a city with more than 100,000 residents, in a county with a population of over 4,000,000, the date set for protest hearing shall be at least 90 days but not more than 105 days, after the date of the adoption of the Resolution Initiating Proceedings. The Notice of Protest Hearing for the Stonecrest Annexation was published on January 26, 2006, 27 days prior to the Protest Hearing, not the required 90 days for a City having a population over 100,000. Section 57062(f)(2) also requires that the resolution making determinations and approving the annexation specify a date 90 days prior to the hearing when protests may begin to be filed.

LAFCO staff is requesting that the Commission set June 28, 2006 as the date for the new protest hearing, and for correction of Resolution No. 2006-02, Making Determinations and Approving Annexation No. 2002-09A to the City of Santa Clarita, in compliance with Government Code Section 57026(f)(2), to reflect that March 30, 2006, which is 90 days prior to the close of the new protest hearing, is the date when protests may begin to be filed.

Staff proposes to publish, in two local newspapers, notice for the newly scheduled “Stonecrest Annexation” protest hearing on March 29, 2006. A copy of the protest notice will also be sent directly to any community representative involved in this action. New protest forms will be available online that day which clearly state that only those protests received from the date specified in the Notice of Protest Hearing to the close of the

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Protest Hearing will be considered for the purpose of ascertaining the value of written protests. Protests received prior to March 30, 2006, including those filed before the close of the February 22, 2006 protest hearing, will not be counted.

**Recommendation:**

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 57026, set June 28, 2006 at 9:00 a.m., as the date for Commission protest proceedings.
2. Adopt the Corrected Resolution No. 2006-02, Making Determinations and Approving City of Santa Clarita Annexation No 2002-09A, setting the start date for receipt of written protests at March, 30, 2006, 90 days prior to the close of hearing on June 28, 2006, pursuant to Government Code Section 57026(f)(2).

**CORRECTED RESOLUTION NO. 2006-02 RD**

**RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION  
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
MAKING DETERMINATIONS AND APPROVING  
"ANNEXATION NO. 2002-09A (Stonecrest)"  
TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA;**

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clarita (the "City") adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings before the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (the "Commission"), pursuant to, Part 3, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Coded (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for annexation of territory herein described to the City of Santa Clarita, including the detachment of said territory from Los Angeles County Road District No. 5, County Lighting District 1687, and County Lighting District LLA-1; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of 409 ± acres of inhabited unincorporated County of Los Angeles territory and is assigned the following distinctive short form designation: "Annexation No. 2002-09A to the City of Santa Clarita;" and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for this annexation is for the territory to receive municipal services from the City at the request of a majority of area residents and to promote sound and orderly growth; and

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

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2006, 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Annexation No. 2002-09A, pursuant to State of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15096, certifies that it has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the proposed project and the environmental documents adopted by the City of Santa Clarita as lead agency, namely City of Santa Clarita Resolution No. 02-22 and No. 05-10, approving and adopting a Negative Declaration for the annexation area. LAFCO finds that it has complied with the requirements of CEQA with respect to the process for a responsible agency, and hereby adopts by reference the Negative Declaration, previously adopted by the City of Santa Clarita, in connection with its approval of the proposed project.
2. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits A and B, attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.
3. The subject territory consists of 409 acres, is inhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

“City of Santa Clarita Annexation No. 2002-09A”

4. Annexation No.2002-09A to the City of Santa Clarita is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - a. Annexation of the subject territory to the City of Santa Clarita.
  - b. Detachment of the subject territory from Los Angeles County Road District No. 5
  - c. Detachment of the subject territory from County Lighting District 1687.
  - d. Detachment of the subject territory from County Lighting District LLA-1.
  - e. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as levied by the City of Santa Clarita.
  - f. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the City of Santa Clarita.
  - g. The territory will not be taxed for existing bonded indebtedness of the City of Santa Clarita.
5. The Commission shall initiate and conduct protest proceedings pursuant to Government Code Section 57000, *et seq.*
6. Pursuant to Government Code Section 57026(f)(2), the Commission hereby set the protest hearing on June 28, 2006 and sets March 30, 2006, as the date when

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~~protests may begin to be filed.~~

7. The Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to mail certified copies of this resolution in the manner and as provided in Government Code Section 56882.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ~~11th~~ 22<sup>nd</sup> day of ~~January~~ March 2006.

Ayes: ~~Pellissier, Burke, Dear, DiGiuseppe, Finlay, Gladbach, Herrera, Yaroslavsky~~

Noes: ~~None~~

Absent: ~~Michell, Ryan~~

Abstain: ~~None~~

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LARRY J. CALEMINE, Executive Officer

