

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA**

Wednesday, July 8, 2009
9:00 a.m.

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 GLADBACH.**
- 3. PROTEST HEARING**
 - a. Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 – Annexation No. 95.
 - b. Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Annexation No. 2006-33.
- 4. CONSENT ITEMS**

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

- a. Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14 – Annexation No. 316.
- b. Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22 – Annexation No. 392.
- c. Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County – Annexation No. 349.
- d. Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Annexation No. 2005-06.
- e. Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 – Annexation No. 2005-26.

- f. Approve Minutes of June 10, 2009.
- g. Operating Account and Check Register for the month of June.
- h. Receive and file update on pending applications.

5. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. Consideration of Changes to Commission Meeting Schedule and Revision of Commission Rules for Per Diems and Expenses Reimbursement for Attendance of Commission Members and Alternates at Commission and LAFCO-related Meetings (**Continued from the June 10, 2009 meeting**).
- b. Executive Officer Recommendation to Purchase Aerial Photography for Geographic Information System (GIS) Mapping.
- c. Incorporation Report:
 - 1) East Los Angeles.
 - 2) Rowland Heights.

6. **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.

7. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

July 22, 2009
August 12, 2009
August 26, 2009
September 9, 2009

8. **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.

9. **ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 3a

Protest Hearing on Annexation No. 95 to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20

On May 27, 2009 your Commission approved a request initiated by Los Angeles County District No. 20 to annex 926.291± acres of uninhabited territory into the boundaries of District No. 20. The Protest Hearing before you today will satisfy the requirements of Government Code section 57000, *et seq.*

The annexation proposal is summarized as follows:

Proposal Area: The annexation consists of vacant high desert land, located within a rural agricultural area.

Population: The current population is 0.

Landowners: The County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County and additional owners of record.

Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins: The topography generally flat.

Zoning, Present and Future Land Use: The current zoning is A-2-1; Heavy Agricultural with a minimum lot size of one unit per acre. The present land use is vacant and agricultural. The territory is currently being developed for agricultural and farming operations utilizing reclaimed wastewater in order to implement the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (PWRP) 2025 Facilities Plan.

Surrounding Land Use: The surrounding land use is agricultural and open space.

Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy: The subject territory is not currently serviced by the District. No sewerage service is planned for the future. However, the area was included in the future service area of the District and is required for the District's reclaimed wastewater management needs, which were addressed in the PWRP 2025 Facilities Plan.

Effects on agricultural or open-space lands: The proposal will be maintained as agricultural lands. The annexation territory will not have an effect on open space lands.

Boundaries and Lines of Assessment: The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to the recorded lines of assessment.

Sphere of Influence: The subject territory is within the Sphere Of Influence (SOI) of District No.20. The SOI amendment was approved on May 27, 2009.

Tax Resolution: All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.

CEQA: As a responsible agency, the Commission relied upon the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan Environmental Impact Report certified by County Sanitation District No. 20 for its approval of this proposal.

Correspondence: As of June 30, 2009, LAFCO has received one (1) protest correspondence.

Recommended Action:

1. Open the protest hearing and receive written protests.
2. Close the protest hearing.
3. Instruct the Executive Officer, pursuant to Government Code Section 57075, to determine the value of protests filed and not withdrawn and report back to the Commission with the results.
4. Based upon the results of the protest hearing either adopt a resolution terminating the annexation proceedings if a majority protest exists or order Annexation No. 95 to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 directly if written protests have been filed and not withdrawn by owners of land who own less than 50 percent of the total assessed value of land within the affected territory.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00PR
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 95 TO
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 20"

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 filed an 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 Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for the annexation of territory to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is to develop agricultural and farming operations utilizing reclaimed wastewater in order to implement the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan; 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 territory consists of 926.291± acres and is uninhabited; and

WHEREAS, the short-form designation given this proposal is "Annexation No. 95 to County Sanitation District No. 20"; and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2009, the Commission approved Annexation No. 95 to County Sanitation District No. 20; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, the Executive Officer of the Commission has set July 8, 2009 as the date for the protest hearing and has given notice thereof; and

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission finds that the number of registered voters within the boundary of the territory is 0 and the number of property owners is 33 and the total assessed value of land within the affected territory is \$3,151,138.
2. The Commission finds that the number of written protests filed in opposition to Annexation No. 20-95 and not withdrawn is ____, which, even if valid, represents owners of land who also own less than 50 percent of the assessed value of the land within the affected territory.
3. The Commission hereby orders the annexation of the territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" hereto, to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20.
4. Pursuant to Government Code section 56886, the annexation shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20 may legally impose.
 - b. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 20.

5. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5, and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57000, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 3b.

**Protest Hearing
Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40
Annexation No. 2006-33**

On June 10, 2009 your Commission approved a request initiated by landowner petition to annex 20.98± acres of uninhabited territory into the boundary of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40. The Protest Hearing before you today will satisfy the requirements of Government Code section 57000, *et seq.*

The annexation proposal is summarized as follows:

Proposal Area: The project site consists of acres of vacant land.

Location: The site is located east of 40th Street West between Lancaster Blvd. and Avenue I, in the City of Lancaster.

Population: The current population is 0.

Landowner: American Premiere Homes.

Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins: The terrain is generally flat with a slope of .5% to 1% towards the northeast corner.

Zoning, Present and Future Land Use: The territory is zoned R-7000, the present land use is vacant, and future use will consist of 88 single family homes.

Surrounding Land Use: The surrounding territory is vacant land.

Assessed Value: The total assessed value is \$936,360.

Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy:

The City of Lancaster will provide services as provided for in the City's General Plan.

Water Availability:

The District has sufficient water supply to meet the needs of the proposal area. The landowner will build the water system to the District's specifications and interconnect with an existing water main. The system will eventually be dedicated to the District.

Effects on agricultural or open-space lands: Currently, there is no open space, or agricultural lands within the subject or surrounding territory.

Boundaries and Lines of Assessment: The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to recorded lines of assessment.

Sphere of Influence: The subject territory is within the sphere of influence of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

Tax Resolution: All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.

Correspondence: No correspondence has been received.

Alternate Course of Action:

There are no foreseeable alternate courses of action.

CEQA: The City of Lancaster, as lead agency, adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project.

Correspondence: No correspondence has been received.

Recommended Action:

1. Open the protest hearing and receive written protest.
2. Close the protest hearing.
3. Instruct the Executive Officer, pursuant to Government Code Section 57075, to determine the value of the protests filed and not withdrawn and report back to the Commission with the results.
4. Based upon the results of the protest hearing either adopt a resolution terminating the annexation proceedings if a majority protest exists or ordering Annexation 2006-33 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 directly if written protests have been filed and not withdrawn by owners of land who own less than 50 percent of the total assessed value of land within the affected territory.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00PR
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 2006-33 TO
LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40"

WHEREAS, an application for the proposed annexation of certain territory in the City of Lancaster to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, has been filed with the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (the "Commission"), pursuant to Title 5, Division 3, commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of 20.98± acres of uninhabited territory in the City of Lancaster, and is assigned the following distinctive short form designation: "Annexation No. 2006-33 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40;" 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 this annexation is to provide a reliable source of water to future inhabitants of the subject territory; and

WHEREAS on June 10, 2009, the Commission approved Annexation No 2006-33 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 57002, the Executive Officer of the Commission has set July 08, 2009 as the date for the protest hearing and has given notice thereof; and

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The Commission finds that the number of registered voters within the boundary of the territory is 0 and the number of property owners is 2 and the total assessed value of land within the affected territory is \$936,360.

1. The Commission finds that the number of written protests filed in opposition to Annexation No. 2006-33 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 and not withdrawn is ____, which, even if valid, represents owners of land who also own less than 50 percent of the assessed value of land within the affected territory.
2. The Commission hereby orders the annexation of the territory described in Exhibits “A” and “B” hereto, to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
3. Pursuant to Government Code section 56886, the annexation shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 may legally impose.
 - b. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
 - c. The subject territory will be taxed for existing bonded indebtedness, if any, of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No 40.

4. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5, and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57000, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 08th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 4a

Annexation No. 316 to County Sanitation District No. 14

The following is a request to annex 863.205± acres of uninhabited territory to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14.

Proposal Area: The annexation consists of vacant land, located within a vacant area. The territory is currently being developed to include 2,696 proposed single-family homes.

Location: The subject territory is located on Avenue G directly east of 90th Street West, all within the City of Lancaster.

Factors to be Considered Pursuant to Government Code Section 56668:

1. ***Population:*** The current population is 0.
2. ***Landowner(s):*** Del Sur Ranch, LLC.
3. ***Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins:*** The topography is generally flat.
4. ***Zoning, Present and Future Land Use:*** The current zoning is R-7,000 and R-10,000; single-family residential with a minimum lot size of 7,000 and 10,000 square feet, CPD; Commercial Planned Development and OS; Open Space. The present land use is vacant. The proposed land use is residential, commercial, and open space.
5. ***Surrounding Land Use:*** The surrounding land use is agricultural.
6. ***Assessed Value:*** The total assessed value is \$69,715,572.
7. ***Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy:*** The subject territory is not currently serviced by the District. However, the area was included in the future service area that might be served by the District and the District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant (LWRP) 2020 Facilities Plan. The wastewater generated by the proposed project will be treated at the LWRP. The District will have adequate capacity to collect, treat, and dispose of the wastewater anticipated to be generated by the subject territory.
8. ***Effects on agricultural or open-space lands:*** The proposal will not have an effect on agricultural lands. The subject territory will include 18 acres of dedicated open space.
9. ***Boundaries and Lines of Assessment:*** The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to the recorded lines of assessment.

10. ***Sphere of Influence:*** The subject territory is within the sphere of influence of District No. 14.

11. ***Tax Resolution:*** All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.

12. ***Correspondence:*** No correspondence has been received.

CEQA: The final supplemental environmental impact report certified by the City of Lancaster is adequate for consideration of this proposal.

Waiver of Notice and Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written demand for notice and hearing on this application pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(b). Based thereon, the Commission may conduct proceedings for the change of organization or reorganization without notice and hearing.

Waiver of Protest Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written opposition to waiver of the protest proceedings.

Conclusion: Should the subject territory not be annexed into the District, the landowners would have to use less efficient alternative means to collect, treat, and dispose of the wastewater anticipated to be generated by the subject territory.

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 316 to County Sanitation District No. 14.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 316 TO
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 14"

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 14 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 Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for the annexation of territory located in the City of Lancaster; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is to provide offsite sewage disposal for 2,696 proposed single-family homes; 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 territory consists of 863.205± acres and is uninhabited; and

WHEREAS, the short-form designation given this proposal is "Annexation No. 316 to County Sanitation District No. 14"; and

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

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2009, at its regular meeting, this Commission considered the proposal and the report of the Executive Officer, along with public comment on the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) and (b), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
 - b. No subject agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing on this proposal.

Based thereon, notice and hearing requirements are waived.

2. Acting in its role as a responsible agency with the respect to Annexation No. 316, and under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15096, the Commission certifies that it has independently considered and reached its own conclusions regarding the environmental effects of the project and the final supplemental environmental impact report certified by the City of Lancaster and has determined that the document adequately addresses the environmental impacts of the project. The Commission also 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 environmental findings previously adopted by the lead agency in connection with its approval of the project.
3. Annexation No. 316 to the County Sanitation District No. 14 is hereby approved subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The property so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the District may legally impose.
 - b. The regular County assessment roll is utilized by the District.
 - c. The affected territory will be taxed for existing general bonded indebtedness, if any, of the District.
4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. The territory to be annexed is uninhabited;
 - b. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
 - c. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of protest proceedings.

Based thereon, notice and hearing requirements are waived.
5. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to County Sanitation District No. 14.
6. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, et seq.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 4b

Annexation No. 392 to County Sanitation District No. 22

The following is a request to annex 11.844± acres of uninhabited territory to Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 22.

Proposal Area: The annexation consists of five existing single-family homes and includes the construction of two proposed single-family homes, located within a residential community.

Location: The subject territory is located approximately 200 feet northwest of the intersection of Gardi Street and Spring Point Drive and west of the terminus of Oak Shade Road, all within the City of Bradbury.

Factors to be Considered Pursuant to Government Code Section 56668:

1. ***Population:*** The current population is 7 residents.
2. ***Landowner(s):*** Cindy Hwang; Chuang & Betty Lin; Keith Lee & Nai H. Hou; Roland Radar; Robert & Effie D'Souza; Dominic Bitonti.
3. ***Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins:*** The topography is sloped, terminating at a hill.
4. ***Zoning, Present and Future Land Use:*** The current zoning is A-1 and R-20,000; Agricultural Residential Estate with a minimum lot size of one acre and single-family residential with a minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet. The present and proposed land use is residential.
5. ***Surrounding Land Use:*** The surrounding land use is residential.
6. ***Assessed Value:*** The total assessed value is \$3,614,518.
7. ***Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy:*** A portion of the subject territory is already being serviced by the District. The entire subject territory was included in the future service area that might be served by the District and the District's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the Joint Outfall System (JOS) 2010 Master Facilities Plan. The wastewater generated by the annexation will be treated by the JOS, which is comprised of 6 upstream water reclamation plants and the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant. The District has adequate capacity to collect, treat, and dispose of the wastewater generated by the subject territory.
8. ***Effects on agricultural or open-space lands:*** The proposal will not have an effect on agricultural or open space lands.

9. ***Boundaries and Lines of Assessment:*** The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to the recorded lines of assessment.
10. ***Sphere of Influence:*** The subject territory is within the sphere of influence of District No. 22.
11. ***Tax Resolution:*** All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.
12. ***Correspondence:*** No correspondence has been received.

CEQA: The five existing single-family homes are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a), because it is an annexation containing existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning. The two proposed single-family homes are categorically exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(b) because it consists of the construction of two single-family residences located within a residential zone exempted by CEQA Guidelines Section 15303(a).

Waiver of Notice and Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written demand for notice and hearing on this application pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(b). Based thereon, the Commission may conduct proceedings for the change of organization or reorganization without notice and hearing.

Waiver of Protest Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written opposition to waiver of the protest proceedings.

Conclusion: Should the subject territory not be annexed into the District, the landowners would have to use less efficient alternative means to collect, treat, and dispose of the wastewater generated by the subject territory.

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 392 to County Sanitation District No. 22.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 392 TO
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 22"

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation District No. 22 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 Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for the annexation of territory located in the City of Bradbury; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is to provide offsite sewage disposal for five existing single-family homes and two proposed single-family homes; 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 territory consists of 11.844± acres and is uninhabited; and

WHEREAS, the short-form designation given this proposal is "Annexation No. 392 to County Sanitation District No. 22"; and

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

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2009, at its regular meeting this Commission considered the proposal and the report of the Executive Officer, along with public comment on the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) and (b), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
 - b. No subject agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing on this proposal.

Based thereon, notice and hearing requirements are waived.

2. The Commission finds that the five existing single-family homes are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a).
3. The Commission finds that the two proposed single-family homes are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(b).
4. Annexation No. 392 to the County Sanitation District No. 22 is hereby approved subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The property so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the District may legally impose.
 - b. The regular County assessment roll is utilized by the District.
 - c. The affected territory will be taxed for existing general bonded indebtedness, if any, of the District.

5. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. The territory to be annexed is uninhabited;
 - b. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
 - c. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of protest proceedings.

Based thereon, protest proceedings are waived.

6. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to County Sanitation District No. 22.
7. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, et seq.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 4c

**Annexation No. 349 to Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation
District of Los Angeles County (SCVSD)**

The following is a request to annex 6.967± acres of uninhabited territory to the SCVSD.

Proposal Area: The annexation consists of one existing store and one existing hotel, located within a commercial and vacant residential area.

Location: The subject territory is located on Sierra Highway approximately 1 ¼ mile northeasterly from its intersection with Soledad Canyon Road, all within the City of Santa Clarita.

Factors to be Considered Pursuant to Government Code Section 56668:

1. ***Population:*** The current population is 0.
2. ***Landowner(s):*** Oak Tree Family, LP.
3. ***Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins:*** The topography consists of flat to mountainous terrain.
4. ***Zoning, Present and Future Land Use:*** The current zoning includes RE and IC; Residential Estate with a minimum lot size of two acres and Industrial Commercial. The present land use is commercial and vacant residential. The proposed land use is commercial.
5. ***Surrounding Land Use:*** The surrounding land use is commercial and vacant.
6. ***Assessed Value:*** The total assessed value is \$591,600.
7. ***Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy:*** The subject territory is already being serviced by the SCVSD. The area was included in the future service area that might be served by the SCVSD and the SCVSD's future wastewater management needs were addressed in the 2015 Santa Clarita Valley Joint Sewerage Facilities Plan and EIR. The wastewater generated by the annexation is being treated by the Santa Clarita Valley Joint Sewerage System, which is comprised of the Saugus and Valencia Water reclamation plants. The SCVSD has adequate capacity to collect treat, and dispose of the wastewater generated by the subject territory.

8. ***Effects on agricultural or open-space lands:*** The proposal will not have an effect on agricultural or open space lands.
9. ***Boundaries and Lines of Assessment:*** The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to the recorded lines of assessment.
10. ***Sphere of Influence:*** The subject territory is within the sphere of influence of the SCVSD.
11. ***Tax Resolution:*** All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.
12. ***Correspondence:*** No correspondence has been received.

CEQA: The one existing store and one existing hotel are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a), because it is an annexation containing existing structures developed to the density allowed by the current zoning.

Waiver of Notice and Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written demand for notice and hearing on this application pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(b). Based thereon, the Commission may conduct proceedings for the change of organization or reorganization without notice and hearing.

Waiver of Protest Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written opposition to waiver of the protest proceedings.

Conclusion: Should the subject territory not be annexed into the SCVSD, the landowners would have to use less efficient alternative means to collect, treat, and dispose of the wastewater generated by the subject territory.

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 349 to the SCVSD.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 349 TO
SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (SCVSD)"

WHEREAS, the SCVSD 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 Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for the annexation of territory located in the City of Santa Clarita; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed annexation is to provide offsite sewage disposal for one existing store and one existing hotel; 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 territory consists of 6.967± acres and is uninhabited; and

WHEREAS, the short-form designation given this proposal is "Annexation No. 349 to the SCVSD"; and

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

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2009, at its regular meeting this Commission considered the proposal and the report of the Executive Officer, along with public comment on the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) and (b), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
 - b. No subject agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing on this proposal.

Based thereon, notice and hearing requirements are waived.

2. The Commission finds that the proposed annexation is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319(a).
3. Annexation No. 349 to the SCVSD is hereby approved subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The property so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the SCVSD may legally impose.
 - b. The regular County assessment roll is utilized by the SCVSD.
 - c. The affected territory will be taxed for existing general bonded indebtedness, if any, of the SCVSD.
4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. The territory to be annexed is uninhabited;

- b. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
- c. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of protest proceedings.

Based thereon, protest proceedings are waived.

- 5. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the SCVSD.
- 6. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the SCVSD, upon the SCVSD's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, et seq.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer

Staff Report

July 08, 2009

Agenda Item No. 4d.

**Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40
Annexation No. 2005-06**

The proposal before you is a request to annex uninhabited territory into the boundary of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

Proposal Area: The project site consists of 10.12± acres consisting of a church and children's center.

Location: The site is located at the east of 32nd Street West, between Lancaster Blvd and Ave J, in the City of Lancaster.

Factors to be Considered Pursuant to Government Code Section 56668:

1. ***Population:*** The current population is 0.
2. ***Landowner:*** Central Christian Church.
3. ***Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins:*** The terrain is generally flat.
4. ***Zoning, Present and Future Land Use:*** The territory is zoned R-7000, the present and future land use is a church and children's center.
5. ***Surrounding Land Use:*** The surrounding territory is vacant and residential.
6. ***Assessed Value:*** The total assessed value is \$449,545
7. ***Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy:***
The City of Lancaster will provide services as provided for in the City's General Plan.
8. ***Water Availability:***
The District has sufficient water supply to meet the needs of the proposal area. The landowner will build the water system to the District's specifications and interconnect with an existing water main. The system will eventually be dedicated to the District.

9. ***Effects on agricultural or open-space lands:*** Currently, there is no open space, or agricultural lands within the subject or surrounding territory.
10. ***Boundaries and Lines of Assessment:*** The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to recorded lines of assessment.
11. ***Sphere of Influence:*** The subject territory is within the sphere of influence of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
12. ***Tax Resolution:*** All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.
13. ***Correspondence:*** No correspondence has been received.

Alternate Course of Action:

There are no foreseeable alternate courses of action.

CEQA: The City of Lancaster, as lead agency, adopted a Negative Declaration for the project.

Waiver of Notice and Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written demand for notice and hearing on this application pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(b). Based thereon, the Commission may conduct proceedings for the change of organization or reorganization without notice and hearing.

Waiver of Protest Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written opposition to waiver of the protest proceedings.

Conclusion: The subject territory has been developed into a church and a children’s center. Annexation will allow property users to receive a reliable source of water.

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt Resolution Making Determinations Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 2005-06 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 2005-06 TO
LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40"

WHEREAS, an application for the proposed annexation of certain territory in the City of Lancaster to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, has been filed with the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (the "Commission"), pursuant to Title 5, Division 3, commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of 10.12± acres of uninhabited territory in the City of Lancaster, and is assigned the following distinctive short form designation: "Annexation No. 2005-06 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40;" 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 this annexation is to provide a reliable source of water to inhabitants of the subject territory; and

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

WHEREAS on July 08, 2009 at its regular meeting this Commission considered the proposal and the report of the Executive Officer, along with public comment on the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and

- b. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of notice and hearing requirements.

Based thereon, notice and hearing requirements are waived.

2. The Commission, acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Annexation 2005-06 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, pursuant to State 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 Negative Declaration adopted by the City of Lancaster, as lead agency, and has determined that the document adequately addresses the environmental impacts of the proposed project. The Commission 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 environmental findings, previously certified by the City of Lancaster, in connection with its approval of the project.

3. The Commission hereby approves the annexation subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 may legally impose.
- b. The regular County assessment roll is utilized by the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
- c. The territory will be taxed for existing bonded indebtedness of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
- a. The territory to be annexed is uninhabited;
 - b. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
 - c. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of protest proceedings.

Based thereon, protest proceedings are waived.

5. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
6. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, et seq.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 08th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

**SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer**

Staff Report

July 08, 2009

Agenda Item No. 4e.

**Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40
Annexation No. 2006-26**

The proposal before you is a request to annex uninhabited territory into the boundary of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

Proposal Area: The project site consists of 10.11± acres consisting of a church, caretakers unit, and vacant land.

Location: The site is located at the northeast corner of Avenue J and 35th Street West, in the City of Lancaster.

Factors to be Considered Pursuant to Government Code Section 56668:

1. ***Population:*** The current population is 1.
2. ***Landowner:*** Valley Bible Church.
3. ***Topography, Natural Boundaries and Drainage Basins:*** The terrain is generally flat.
4. ***Zoning, Present and Future Land Use:*** The territory is zoned R-7000, the present and future land use is residential and vacant.
5. ***Surrounding Land Use:*** The surrounding territory is vacant and residential.
6. ***Assessed Value:*** The total assessed value is \$155,594.
7. ***Governmental Services and Control, Availability and Adequacy:***
The City of Lancaster will provide services as provided for in the City's General Plan.
8. ***Water Availability:***
The District has sufficient water supply to meet the needs of the proposal area. The landowner will build the water system to the District's specifications and interconnect with an existing water main. The system will eventually be dedicated to the District.

9. ***Effects on agricultural or open-space lands:*** Currently, there is no open space, or agricultural lands within the subject or surrounding territory.
10. ***Boundaries and Lines of Assessment:*** The boundary of the proposed annexation conforms to recorded lines of assessment.
11. ***Sphere of Influence:*** The subject territory is within the sphere of influence of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
12. ***Tax Resolution:*** All affected agencies have adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution.
13. ***Correspondence:*** No correspondence has been received.

Alternate Course of Action:

There are no foreseeable alternate courses of action.

CEQA: The City of Lancaster, as lead agency, adopted a Negative Declaration for the project.

Waiver of Notice and Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written demand for notice and hearing on this application pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(b). Based thereon, the Commission may conduct proceedings for the change of organization or reorganization without notice and hearing.

Waiver of Protest Hearing: Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c) all owners of land within the affected territory have consented to the change of organization. To date, no subject agency has submitted written opposition to waiver of the protest proceedings.

Conclusion: The subject territory has been developed into a church and a caretakers unit. Annexation will allow inhabitants to receive a reliable source of water.

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt Resolution Making Determinations Approving and Ordering Annexation No. 2005-26 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"ANNEXATION NO. 2005-26 TO
LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40"**

WHEREAS, an application for the proposed annexation of certain territory in the City of Lancaster to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, has been filed with the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (the "Commission"), pursuant to Title 5, Division 3, commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation consists of 10.11± acres of uninhabited territory in the City of Lancaster, and is assigned the following distinctive short form designation: "Annexation No. 2005-26 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40;" 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 this annexation is to provide a reliable source of water to inhabitants of the subject territory; and

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

WHEREAS on July 08, 2009 at its regular meeting this Commission considered the proposal and the report of the Executive Officer, along with public comment on the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:

- a. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
- b. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of notice and hearing requirements.

Based thereon, notice and hearing requirements are waived.

2. The Commission, acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Annexation 2005-26 to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, pursuant to State 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 Negative Declaration adopted by the City of Lancaster, as lead agency, and has determined that the document adequately addresses the environmental impacts of the proposed project. The Commission 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 environmental findings, previously certified by the City of Lancaster, in connection with its approval of the project.

3. The Commission hereby approves the annexation subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 may legally impose.
- b. The regular County assessment roll is utilized by the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.
- c. The territory will be taxed for existing bonded indebtedness of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56663(c), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:

- a. The territory to be annexed is uninhabited;
- b. All owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the change of organization; and
- c. No subject agency has submitted written opposition to a waiver of protest proceedings.

Based thereon, protest proceedings are waived.

5. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" annexed to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40.

6. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the General Manager of the District, upon the District's payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, et seq.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 08th day of July 2009.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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

**SANDOR L. WINGER,
Executive Officer**

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 5a

Consideration of Changes to Commission Meeting Schedule and Revision of Commission Rules for Per Diems and Expenses Reimbursement for Attendance of Commission Members and Alternates at Commission Meetings and LAFCO-related Meetings

At the LAFCO meeting on May 27, 2009 your Executive Officer was requested to review alternatives to the commission's present practice of conducting meetings twice a month.

Background

Pursuant to section 2 of your commission's Rules, regular meetings of the commission are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Until fiscal year 2000, the commission only met once a month; however, two significant events occurred that caused the commission to change its meeting schedule to include two regular meetings per month.

The first event to increase meetings to twice a month was the proposed Special Reorganization of the City of Los Angeles. During the period from January 2000 to January 2002 LAFCO conducted more than of 110 meetings and hearings regarding the secession issue. Of that, only 69 were regular commission meetings held twice a month. The rest were special offsite hearings, community meetings, sub-committee hearings and other special meetings.

The commission continued the practice of two meetings per month after the Special Reorganization in order to meet the new legal requirements for performing and approving Sphere of Influence (SOI) Updates and Municipal Service Reviews (MSRs). LAFCO for the County of Los Angeles performed MSRs and SOI Updates for all 190 agencies within its jurisdictional boundaries within the extended deadline imposed by the legislature, and LAFCO has ongoing obligations to perform and approve MSRs and SOI Updates every five years.

A suggestion was made at the May 27, 2009 meeting that the commission consider reducing its meetings to one per month thus reducing costs of both the stipends and travel time, reduce staff time for hearing preparation and allow commissioners to have more time to attend to their everyday priorities.

Consideration

1. The near term requirement for meetings at two per month (from the present to January, 2010) most likely will not be needed. During that time any and all activity, including that of the proposed East Los Angeles and Rowland Heights incorporations will be in its review stages only. Any direct commission involvement will most likely be limited.
2. From February, 2010 through June, 2010 the activity that will be required for the proposed incorporations may increase and commission involvement might need two meetings per month. However, the need for extensive community and commission involvement (meetings) will not even come close to that required during the Los Angeles Special Reorganization.
3. It is expected that there will be a need for no more than two, possibly, three public/community meetings and maybe for another two to three commission meetings for each incorporation.
4. After June, 2010 the incorporation activity and commission involvement will probably once again be reduced to a level of one meeting per month.
5. After that, while the MSR and SOI Update activity will pick up, most of the activity will be absorbed by staff. While the staff time will be increased because they will now cover much of that effort previously accomplished by consultants the requirement for commissioner involvement will be lessened because there will be a reduction in the amount of reviews.

Recommendations

1. The commission continue to have two scheduled meetings per month.
2. At the first meeting held each month, the commission may make a decision as to whether or not to cancel the second meeting for that month.
3. The commission's Rules be amended to add a new section 9 to read as follows (existing sections of the Rules will also be renumbered to reflect new Rule 9):

SECTION 9.

Per Diems and Expense Reimbursement for Attendance at Commission Meetings and LAFCO-related Meetings

A. \$250 Per Diem. - Commission members and alternates shall be paid a per diem of \$250 for attendance at a Commission meeting or a LAFCO-related meeting; provided that the total per diem paid for attendance at up to two such meetings in any calendar month shall not exceed \$250.

B. \$150 Per Diem. Commission members and alternates shall be paid a per diem of \$150 per meeting for attendance at any Commission meeting or LAFCO-related meetings, which in combination exceed two per calendar month.

C. Expense Reimbursement: The per diems provided for in this section shall be in lieu of any other compensation or expense reimbursement for attendance at meetings of the Commission or LAFCO-related meetings which occur within the County of Los Angeles. Commission members and alternates shall be reimbursed for the actual amount of their reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings outside of the County of Los Angeles.

Staff Report

July 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 5b

Executive Officer Recommendation to Purchase Aerial Photography for Geographic Information System (GIS) Mapping

Background: In 2004, LAFCO purchased aerial photography services from Air Photo USA, now called DigitalGlobe, for \$12,000. In 2004, the Executive Officer suggested the photography be updated every five years. LAFCO has not purchased photography in five years and is in need of aerial photography upgrades. Purchasing 2009 data for the entire Los Angeles County area will provide updated images with higher resolution maps for Commission use.

Selection Process:

LAFCO received three quotes from the following companies:

- 1) Aerials Express quoted 2009 data for \$3500 plus \$50 shipping and handling totaling \$3550.00.
- 2) DigitalGlobe quoted 2008 data for \$5,000.
- 3) Eagle Aerial Imaging, Inc. quoted 2009 data for \$5,000, data delivered on a portable hard drive at \$95, freight charges at \$25 and sales tax at \$445.81 for a grand total of \$5565.81.

Conclusion: While Aerials Express is the lowest bidder, they have not provided sample photography as requested several times by staff. Furthermore, their website data is not of the quality needed to make a full evaluation for recommendation. DigitalGlobe and Eagle Aerial Imaging, Inc. both provided quotes at \$5,000. DigitalGlobe offers 2008 data whereas; Eagle Aerial Imaging, Inc. offers 2009 data. In addition, DigitalGlobe did not provide sales tax and shipping charges when requested by staff. Eagle Aerial Imaging, Inc. provided samples of aerial photography comparing this year and last year's images. Eagle Aerial Imaging, Inc. provides the latest and best aerial technology at competitive prices.

Recommended Action:

1. The Executive Officer recommends purchasing aerial photography for the entire Los Angeles County area from Eagle Aerial Imaging, Inc. for \$5,565.81.