

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

# Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Public Works Dept

Department No.: 054

For Agenda Of: March 15, 2011
Placement: Administrative

Estimated Tme: 15 min
Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Scott McGolpin, P.E., x3010

Director(s) Public Works Department

Thomas Fayram, P.E., Interim Director, x2475

Parks Department

Contact Info: Mark Schleich, P.E., Deputy Director, x3600

**Public Works Department** 

**SUBJECT:** Initiation of the Annexation of Key Site 26 and 34 to the North County Lighting District

and County Service Area 5 - Fourth Supervisorial District.

**County Counsel Concurrence** 

<u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u>

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:
As to form: N/A

#### **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Adopt the attached resolution initiating proceedings to annex territory, Orcutt Community Plan Key Site 26, and 34 to the North County Lighting District and County Service Area 5.

# **Summary Text:**

This action proposes the annexation of the Union Valley Parkway (Phase III) project, along with other parcels located in Key Site 26 and 34 to the North County Lighting District (NCLD) and County Service Area 5 (CSA 5). The resolution proposed for adoption will authorize County staff to submit the application for annexation to the Santa Barbara Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO).

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#### **Background:**

The Union Valley Parkway project is proposed within Key Site 26 in the Orcutt Community Plan (OCP). The project is the construction of Union Valley Parkway and the realignment of Orcutt Road. It is located on APN 107-250-011, 012, 013. Key Site 34, APN 107-250-014, 015, is added to this annexation to prevent islands and promote orderly service boundaries. The proposed annexation is located in unincorporated Santa Maria at Orcutt Road south of Foster Road. Services sought by the development from County-governed districts include street lighting and open space maintenance. Union Valley Parkway (Phase III) project consists of extending the existing Union Valley Parkway from Highway 135 to Hummel Road and the realignment of Orcutt Road. This project would include the installation of 22 streetlights along both Union Valley Parkway and the Orcutt Road realignment.

#### **Annexation Procedures:**

In order to minimize expenses and promote efficiency, the annexations to the NCLD and CSA 5 will be conducted in one reorganization application to the Santa Barbara LAFCO.

It will be initiated by the enclosed resolution of application and will be conducted in accordance with the procedures of the Santa Barbara LAFCO pursuant to the Cortese/Knox/Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, commencing with Section 6000 of the California Government Code.

The owners of the parcels not related to the Union Valley Parkway (Phase III) construction have the opportunity to convey support or opposition to the annexation of their parcels at the LAFCO hearing. If there is non support by any of these property owners, LAFCO will hold a separate protest hearing

#### **Street lighting:**

The County's street lighting program receives revenue on the tax roll from 1% property tax allocations, benefit assessments, development specific benefit zones, or a combination of these. These revenues are used to pay for electricity and maintenance costs derived from PG&E owned and operated public use street lights. In order to collect these revenues, benefiting parcels must be with the NCLD service boundaries. The distribution of revenue from the 1% property tax is dependent on the Tax Rate Area (TRA) annexed parcels are assigned to upon annexation. The benefit assessment rates are locked in without voter authorization by Proposition 218.

The Auditor-Controller's Office has indicated that based on the neighboring TRA of parcels already in the NCLD the parcels located in Key Site 26 and 34 would likely change from TRA 80006 to TRA 80041 upon annexation. TRA 80041 will provide for allocation of the 1% property tax distribution to the NCLD (i.e. distribution of \$.9542144 per \$100,000 of assessed value of each parcel to fund 2670).

#### **Open Space Maintenance:**

CSA 5 provides for open space maintenance of approximately 79 acres. Funding is provided by a portion of the 1% property tax allocated to open space maintenance. As described above, annexation to CSA 5 will change the tax rate area from TRA 80006 to TRA 80041. TRA 80041 will provide a portion of the 1% property tax to be allocated to CSA 5 for park maintenance (i.e. distribution of \$0.72 per \$100,000 of assessed value of each parcel to fund 2140).

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#### **Performance Measure:**

The County manages approximately 1,800 street lights in the CSA 5 boundary of the NCLD not including the street lights proposed with this project and manages 79 acres of open space in CSA 5.

## **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Annexation of Key Sites 26 and 34 inclusive of APNs 107-250-011, 012, 013, 014, 015 will increase the fixed charge revenue to the NCLD approximately \$ 66.27 per year by benefit assessment. In addition to the fixed charge the allocation from the 1% property tax will offset the operation costs of the new street lights. The potential build out of these key sites will further increase revenues to the lighting district and CSA 5 through future benefit assessments. The annual cost to fund 4-200 watt and 18-150 watt PG&E owned and maintained street lights is approximately \$2,044.32 per year. Although this is a shortage of \$1,978.05 per year, there are sufficient revenues from property tax allocations district-wide.

Budgeted: Select\_Budgeted

## **Fiscal Analysis:**

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:		Total One-Time Project Cost
General Fund				
State				
Federal				
Fees				
Other:		\$	2,044.32	
Total	\$ -	\$	2,044.32	\$ -

Narrative:

Staffing Impacts: None

#### **Special Instructions:**

Request the Clerk of the Board to forward a certified minute order and completed executed copy of the resolution to:

- 1. Robyn Smith Public Works Department 620 Foster Road, Santa Maria
- 2. Shannon Barcelona Resource Recovery & Waste Management, Santa Barbara
- 3. Claude Garciacelay Parks Department, Santa Barbara
- 4. Claudia Ornales Auditor- Controller, Santa Barbara

## **Attachments:**

Resolution, Exhibit A, Exhibit B, Area Map, TRA Table

#### **Authored by:**

Robyn Smith

cc: Shannon Barcelona – Resource Recovery & Waste Management, Santa Barbara