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October 14, 2020 (Agenda)

Lou Ann Texeira

Executive Officer

Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission 40 Muir Road, 1st Floor Martinez, CA 94553

October 14, 2020 Agenda Item 9

Knightsen Town Community Services District Withdrawal of Application to Dissolve

Dear Members of the Commission:

On May 14, 2020, the Knightsen Town Community Services District (KTCSD) submitted an application to Contra Costa LAFCO to dissolve the district for various reasons as stated in the KTCSD Resolution No. 2020-2.

Subsequently, on September 17, 2020, the KTCSD submit a letter to LAFCO withdrawing their application to dissolve the District (Attachment 1). In response, the LAFCO Executive Officer sent a letter to the KTCSD Board Chair confirming receipt of the District's letter withdrawing its application to dissolve the District, and provided additional information relating to the LAFCO process (Attachment 2).

Recommendation: Receive report and provide comments as desired.

Sincerely,

LOU ANN TEXEIRA **EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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Attachments

- 1 Letter from Chair Bello-Kunkel Withdrawing the District's Application to Dissolve the KTCSD
- 2 Letter from LAFCO Executive Officer Confirming Receipt of the KTSCD's Letter Withdrawing Their Application to Dissolve the KTCSD



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Knightsen Town Community Services District P.O. Box 763 Knightsen, CA 94548



September 17, 2020

Lou Ann Texeira. Executive Officer Contra Costa LAFCO 40 Muir Road, First Floor Martinez CA 94553

Sent via e-mail and US Mail to Lou Ann Texeira

LouAnn.Texeira@lafco.cccounty.us

Dear Ms. Texeira:

On Thursday, September 17, 2020, the Board of Directors of the Knightsen Town Community Services District (KTCSD) unanimously voted to revoke our Resolution of Application Requesting the Contra Costa County LAFCO dissolve KTCSD (Resolution 2020-2). By revoking this resolution we are hereby withdrawing our request to dissolve the District.

The KTCSD board voted to withdraw the request for dissolution after hearing many Knightsen residents ask that we not dissolve. Additionally, the KTCSD board and community members voiced concern regarding the County's request that if KTCSD is dissolved that the County Public Works take over the affairs of the District including the Measure Z (2005) tax authorization. When we voted to request dissolution, we did not foresee the County would attempt to assume control of the District's affairs and taxing authority. The KTCSD board and community members attending our meetings very clearly do not support dissolution merely to have KTCSD's role and taxation authority transfer to the County. Local control is, has and always will be a paramount concern in this community.

With revocation of our dissolution, we will now reconsider how KTCSD can move forward to meet community needs within the very limited resources the Measure Z tax authority provides us.

Sincerely,

Trish Bello-Kunkel

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Chairperson, Knightsen Town Community Services District

Cc: Barbara Brenner, Churchwell White, LLP



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September 29, 2020

Trish Bello-Kunkel, Chair Knightsen Town Community Services District P.O. Box 763 Knightsen, CA 94548

Sent via e-mail and US Mail to Trish Bello-Kunkel, Chair Knightsen Town Community Services District

knightsencsd@gmail.com

Dear Chair Bello-Kunkel,

This letter is to confirm receipt of the District's letter dated September 17, 2020 to withdraw its application to dissolve the Knightsen Town Community Services District (LAFCO 20-03).

Accordingly, LAFCO staff has ceased processing the application and is closing the project file "without prejudice." Pursuant to the *Contra Costa LAFCO Schedule of Processing Fees and Deposits*, application processing fees are non-refundable. Further, the amount of time LAFCO staff has expended to date on this application exceeds the LAFCO fee; thus, no refund will be issued.

LAFCO staff will place the District's application withdrawal letter on the Commission's October 14, 2020 meeting agenda as an "informational only" item. There is no need for the Commission to act on withdrawal of application provided a Certificate of Filing (CoF) has not been issued. LAFCO staff has not issued the CoF.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

Contra Costa LAFCO

c: Commissioners, Contra Costa LAFCO