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Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission 40 Muir Road, First Floor Martinez, CA 94553 April 13, 2022 Agenda Item 6

Results of Protest Hearing – Post Protest Hearing

Annexation of East Contra Costa Fire Protection District to Contra Costa County Fire Protection District and

Dissolution of East Contra Costa Fire Protection District

Dear Commissioners:

At a public hearing on March 9, 2022, the Commission approved annexation of East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) to Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD) and dissolution of ECCFPD. The subject area comprises 249± square miles including the cities of Brentwood and Oakley, and the unincorporated areas of Bethel Island, Byron, Discovery Bay, Knightsen, and the Marsh Creek/Morgan Territory area, serving a population of approximately 132,400 residents.

Pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, LAFCO conducts the protest hearing, the purpose of which is to receive written protests from affected landowners/registered voters regarding the proposal and determine whether a majority protest exists. This boundary reorganization is "inhabited" as it contains 12 or more registered voters; thus, the Commission shall take one of the following actions:

- Order the reorganization if written protests are filed by less than 25% of registered voters or landowners owning less than 25% of the assessed value of land within the subject area; or
- Order the reorganization subject to an election if at least 25% but less than 50% of voters, or at least 25% of landowners owning 25% or more of the assessed value of land file written protests; or
- Terminate the proceedings if a majority of voters in the subject area file written protests.

The protest hearing was properly noticed and held on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 1:30 pm via Zoom/teleconference. The hearing was conducted by the LAFCO Executive Officer, who is delegated the authority to conduct the protest hearing on behalf of the Commission. There were 12 attendees at the protest hearing, and no written protests were filed; thus, the Commission must order the boundary reorganization.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive the results of the protest hearing, order the boundary reorganization because no written protests were filed, and direct staff to execute the Executive Officer's Determination (attached).

Sincerely,

Lou Ann Texeira
Executive Officer

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Attached – LAFCO Executive Officer's Determination

CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

DETERMINATION OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FINDING THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT WRITTEN PROTESTS TO ORDER AN ELECTION OR TERMINATE THE PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO ANNEXATION OF EAST CONTRA COSTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND DISSOLUTION OF EAST CONTRA COSTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (LAFCO 21-11)

- 1. This action is taken pursuant to the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act (Government Code §56000 et seq.) and policies of the Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission (hereafter Commission).
- 2. Proceedings for annexation of East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) to Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD) and dissolution of ECCFPD were initiated by CCCFPD and filed with the Executive Officer of Contra Costa LAFCO in October 2021, proposing annexation of ECCFPD (249± square miles) to CCCFPD and dissolution of ECCFPD. The purpose of the boundary reorganization is to enhance and expand fire and emergency medical services to East Contra Costa County; improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and economy of fire protection services within the subject area; and better meet the fire, rescue, and emergency medical service needs of the residents of the reorganized district.
- 3. On March 9, 2022, the Commission adopted Resolution No. 21-11, making determinations and approving the proposal subject to certain conditions. A true copy of said resolution is attached hereto and incorporated by this reference, containing the terms and conditions of the Commission's approval of this proposal.
- 4. Acting on delegated authority from State law and the Commission, as Executive Officer, on April 11, 2022, I conducted a properly noticed public hearing to receive protests filed against the boundary reorganization, and following conclusion of the hearing, found that no written protests were filed.
- 5. Finding there are insufficient protests to order an election or terminate the LAFCO proceedings, Contra Costa LAFCO hereby orders *annexation of ECCFPD to CCCFPD and dissolution of ECCFPD* subject to the terms and conditions contained within the Commission's resolution of approval, Resolution No. 21-11.

This order is made on and is effective as of April 13, 2022.