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Executive Officer

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

Annexation of Kensington Fire Protection District (KFPD) to Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District (KPPCSD) and Dissolution of KFPD – Protest Hearing

In March 2025, the KFPD and KPPCSD adopted substantially similar resolutions and filed applications with Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to activate latent powers, annex KFPD to KPPCSD, and dissolve KFPD. Subsequently, LAFCO processed the applications.

On June 11, 2025, the LAFCO Commissioners held a public hearing, at which time the Commissioners received the staff report, and approved the activation of latent powers authorizing KPPCSD to provide fire protection, emergency medical, rescue, hazardous materials, emergency response, and other services. On July 9, 2025, the LAFCO Commissioners held a second public hearing, received the staff report, and approved annexation of KFPD to KPPCSD and dissolution of KFPD. The final action by LAFCO is to conduct a protest hearing to receive written protests.

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. The subject area is "inhabited" as the KPPCSD and the KFPD contain 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 LAFCO protest hearing was properly noticed and will be held on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in person at 1025 Escobar Street, First Floor in Martinez, CA and via Zoom/teleconference.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the number of written protests received prior to and during the hearing will be counted and reported to the Commissioners at the August 13, 2025 LAFCO meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission receive the results of the protest hearing and take one of the following actions as appropriate: 1) order the annexation-dissolution; 2) order the annexation-dissolution subject to an election; or 3) terminate the proceedings.

Sincerely,

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