



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
January 22, 2008

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Approval of Water Service to Area Outside the City Limits

Location/Council District: 5

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** authorizing City water service to parcels outside the City limits located within the unincorporated area of the County, as shown on the map attached as Exhibit A of the Resolution.

Contact: David L. Brent, Engineering Services Manager, 808-1420, Jim Peifer, Senior Engineer, 808-1416

Presenters: Not Applicable

Department: Utilities

Division: Engineering

Organization No: 3332

Description/Analysis

Issue: The City Code requires the City Council to approve water service to areas outside the City limits. This requirement has been present in the City Code since 1946. The area described on the map, located outside the City limits and consisting primarily of developed parcels, has been served by City water service since the 1930s and 1940s. Owners of five parcels in this area have recently requested City water service. Because this area has historically been served by the City, and the only water distribution facilities in this area are City facilities, this report requests Council approval to provide City water service to these five parcels and any other parcels in this area that may request water service in the future.

Policy Considerations: The area described above is located within the "place of use" where the City is authorized to supply surface water under the City's water rights. In January, 2005, the City Manager approved a policy including the following conditions for retail water service to parcels outside the City limits: (a) the property must be adjacent to the City limits and within an area slated for annexation, and (b) the property must annex to the City or the property owner must execute consent to future annexation. Staff recommends waiving these conditions for water service to parcels within the described area, due to the fact

that City water service to this area predates this policy, the only water distribution facilities in this area are City facilities, and no other water supplier can feasibly serve the area.

Environmental Considerations: Approval of the City's ongoing water service to the described area is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15261 (ongoing project) and 15301 (operation of existing facilities with negligible expansion of use).

Rationale for Recommendation: As noted above, the City has been providing water service to this area for approximately 50 years, and no other water supplier can feasibly serve this area.

Financial Considerations: All costs of providing City water service to the described area are paid by the water service customers. The City currently collects approximately \$50,000 in monthly water service rates for this area.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable, as no goods or services are being procured.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
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Approved by: 
Gary A. Reents
Director of Utilities

Recommendation Approved:


Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Attachment 1

BACKGROUND

The City of Sacramento has provided water service since the 1930s and 1940s to this area outside the City limits in the unincorporated area of the County. There are approximately 1,450 accounts in this area, most of which are developed and receiving water service from the City. The attached map shows this area.

City Code section 13.04.390 requires applications for water service to any area located outside the city limits to be approved by the City Council. Although this requirement has been present in the City Code since 1946, Utilities staff has not been able to determine when or whether water service to this area was approved by the City Council. The only water distribution facilities in this area are City facilities, and no other water supplier can feasibly serve the area.

Recently, five parcel owners in this area have requested water service for their properties. The parcels are located at:

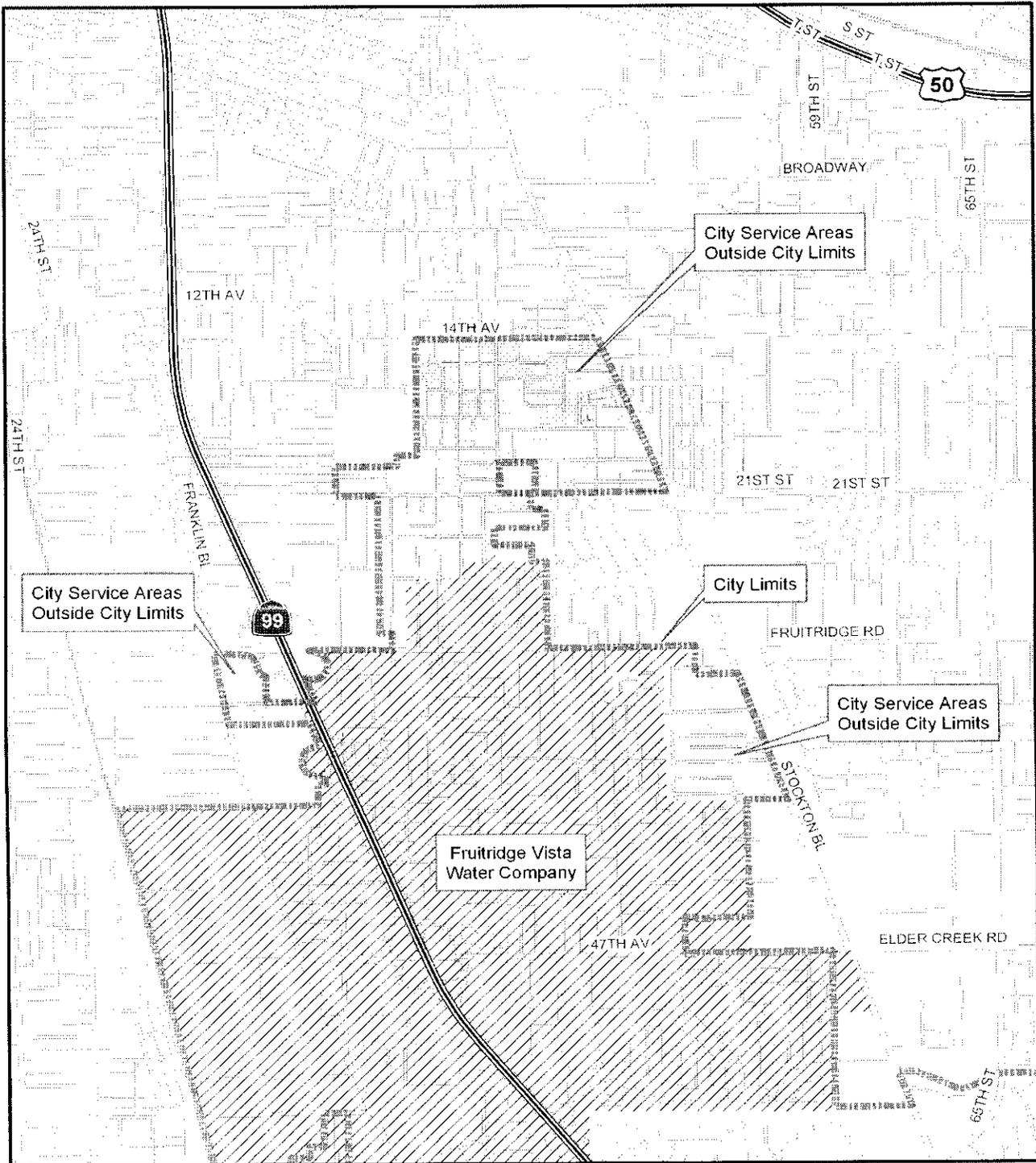
- 3921 Sierra Vista Avenue
- 4720 42nd Street
- 4730 42nd Street
- 4740 42nd Street
- 5338 Therman Way

Adoption of a Resolution approving City water service to this area will clarify that the City's current water service to parcels within this area has been approved by the City Council as provided for under the City Code, and will allow the Utilities Department to serve the five parcels indentified above and other parcels in this area.

Attachment 2

Exhibit A

AREA MAP



City Water Service Area Outside City Limits

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

APPROVAL OF WATER SERVICE TO AREA OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS

BACKGROUND

- A. City Code section 13.04.390 requires applications for water service to any area located outside the city limits to be approved by the City Council.
- B. The City of Sacramento has provided water service since the 1930s and 1940s to the area shown on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A (hereafter the "Water Service Area").
- C. The only water distribution facilities in this area are City facilities, and no other water supplier can feasibly serve the area.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. City water service to parcels in the Water Service Area is approved.