



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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CONSENT  
June 8, 2006

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Subject:** Neighborhood Lighting District – Initiate Annual Proceedings FY2006/07

**Location/Council District:**

This district includes 3 separate neighborhoods, as follows (Exhibit A, page 6):

- Youngs Heights, in Council District 2
- Swanston Estates, in Council District 3
- Colonial Heights, in Council District 5 and District 6

**Recommendation:**

Adopt a Resolution: 1) Directing Filing of Annual Report for FY2006/07 for the Neighborhood Lighting District; 2) Approving Engineer's Annual Report and Intention to Order Maintenance of Improvements for FY2006/07 for the Neighborhood Lighting District; and 3) Setting a time and place for a public hearing for June 27, 2006.

**Contact:** Bob Cooper, Senior Engineer, (916) 808-5778; Mark Griffin, Fiscal Manager, (916) 808-8788

**Presenters:** Not Applicable

**Department:** Development Services

**Division:** Public Improvement Financing

**Organization No:** 4815

**Summary:**

The Neighborhood Lighting District was established to recover the annual costs for energy and maintenance of streetlights and administration in this district. The recommended Council action will formally initiate the annual proceedings and set a public hearing for June 27, 2006 (Attachment A).

**Committee/Commission Action:** None



**Background Information:**

On October 22, 1996, City Council approved formation of the Neighborhood Lighting District No. 96-07 (Resolution No. 96-577) for the Swanston Estates neighborhood. The district provides an affordable means for neighborhood lights by placing SMUD lights on wood poles. Two other neighborhoods, Youngs Heights and Colonial Heights, have since annexed to the district.

The district services include the annual energy cost and maintenance of neighborhood lights installed on wood poles, and the district administration and billing costs. A provision was included to mitigate cost increases based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI), San Francisco area, all items, provided that this increase does not exceed three percent (3%) in any year. The recommended Council action is necessary to allow staff to notify the public of the proposed hearing, which has been set for June 27, 2006.

**Financial Considerations:**

The total maintenance cost for the 3 neighborhoods is estimated to be \$40,948 for FY 2006/07. The cost for each neighborhood as well as a breakdown of cost per single-family lot is provided in Exhibit B (page 10). The proposed assessment reflects a 2.9% CPI increase over the previous year. The costs are detailed in the Engineer's Report on file with the City Clerk. The maintenance district is self-supporting and has no impact on the General Fund.

**Environmental Considerations:**

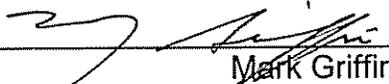
Under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines, annual proceedings of a Special District do not constitute a project, and are therefore exempt from review.

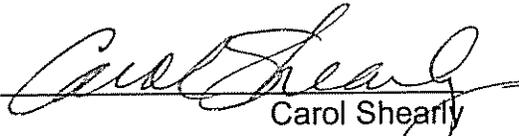
**Policy Considerations:**

The annual proceedings for this district are being processed as set forth in the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, California Streets and Highways Code sections 22500, et seq. This process is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan 3-Year Goal to "achieve sustainability and enhance livability".

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):**

City Council approval of these proceedings is not affected by City policy related to the ESBD Program.

Respectfully Submitted by:   
Mark Griffin  
Fiscal Manager, Development Services Department

Respectfully Submitted by:   
Carol Shearly  
Director of Planning, Development Services Department

Recommendation Approved:

*on*   
RAY KERRIDGE  
City Manager

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**ATTACHMENT A**

**NEIGHBORHOOD LIGHTING DISTRICT  
FY 2006/07 SCHEDULE**

June 8, 2006	Council Considers Resolution of Intention and Sets Date for Hearing
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June 2006            Publish Notice of Hearing

June 27, 2006      Hold Hearing

**Council Orders Annual Levy**

July 2006            Assessments to County for Placement on Tax Roll

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**DIRECTING FILING OF ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD LIGHTING  
DISTRICT (FY 2006/07)  
(Pursuant to Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972)**

### **BACKGROUND:**

- A. The Neighborhood Lighting District ("District"), as depicted in Exhibit A, was established by the City Council and approved by the property owners on October 22, 1996.
- B. The City Council established the District under the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (part 2 of division 15 in the Streets and Highways Code, beginning with section 22500) ("the 1972 Act"), and has previously levied assessments on property in the District to pay for operation and maintenance of neighborhood street lights on wood poles and related services to be provided within the District, all in accordance with the 1972 Act.
- C. The Council is fully advised in this matter.

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

**Section 1.** The City Council finds and determines that the background statements A through C are true and correct.

**Section 2.** The Development Engineering Manager of the Development Services Department, the person designated by this Council as the Engineer of Work for the District, is hereby directed to file an annual report in accordance with the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.

**Section 3.** This resolution is adopted pursuant to Section 22622 of the Streets and Highways Code.

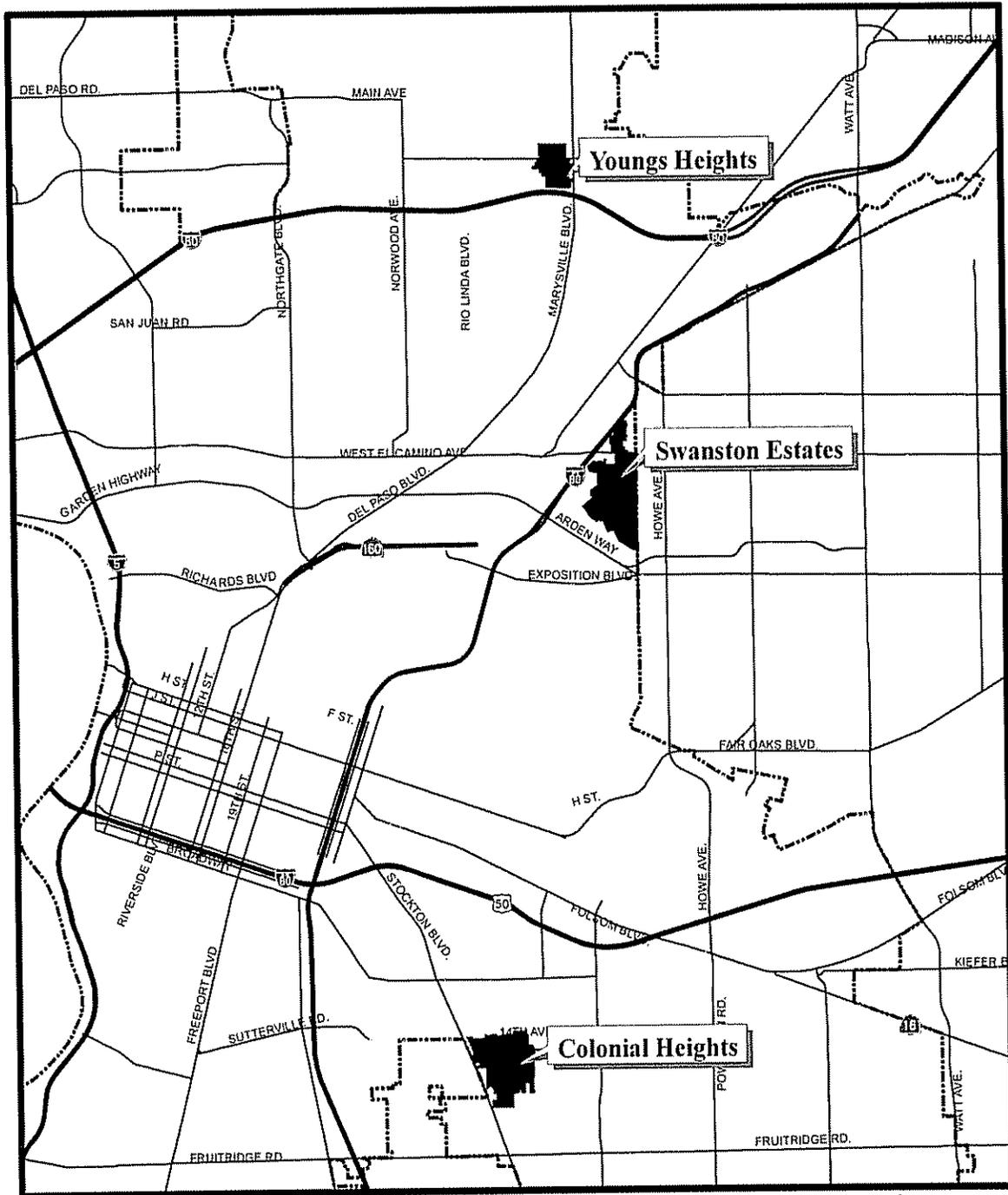
**Section 4.** Exhibit A is part of the resolution.

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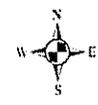
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EXHIBIT A

Neighborhood Lighting District 96-07



 City Boundary  
 District Boundary



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## **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### **APPROVING ENGINEER'S ANNUAL REPORT AND INTENTION TO ORDER MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD LIGHTING DISTRICT (FY 2006/07) (Pursuant to Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972)**

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- C.** The Development Engineering and Finance Manager of the Development Services Department, the person designated by this Council as the Engineer of Work for the Neighborhood Lighting District, was directed to file an annual report in accordance with the provisions of the 1972 Act.
- D.** The Council is fully advised in this matter.

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

**Section 1.** The City Council finds and determines that the background statements A through D are true and correct.

**Section 2.** City Council hereby approves the Engineer's Annual Report (FY 2006/07) on file in the City Clerk's Office.

**Section 3.** The City Council intends to levy and collect assessments within the Neighborhood Landscaping District during fiscal year 2006/07. The area of land to be assessed is located in the City of Sacramento, Sacramento County.

**Section 4.** The maintenance of improvements to be made in this assessment district is generally described as follows:

The improvements consist of operation and maintenance of neighborhood street lights on wood poles fed by overhead electrical lines, and the engineering, administrative and miscellaneous costs related to the district.

**Section 5.** In accordance with this Council's resolution directing the filing of an annual report, the Engineer of Work has filed with the City Clerk the report required by the 1972 Act. All interested parties are referred to that report for a full and detailed description of the improvements, the boundaries of the assessment district, and the proposed assessments upon assessable lots and parcels of land within the assessment district.

**Section 6.** At the hour of 2:00 pm on Tuesday, June 27, 2006, the City Council will conduct a public hearing on the questions of the levy of the proposed annual assessment. The hearing will be held at the meeting place of the City Council located in the City Hall, 915 I Street, First Floor, Sacramento, California.

**Section 7.** For some subdivisions within the District, this year's assessments are an increase from the previous year, but assessments for all subdivisions within the District are at or below the highest authorized amount for this district shown on Exhibit B.

**Section 8.** The City Clerk is authorized and directed to give the notice of hearing required by the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.

**Section 8.** Exhibits A and B are part of the resolution.

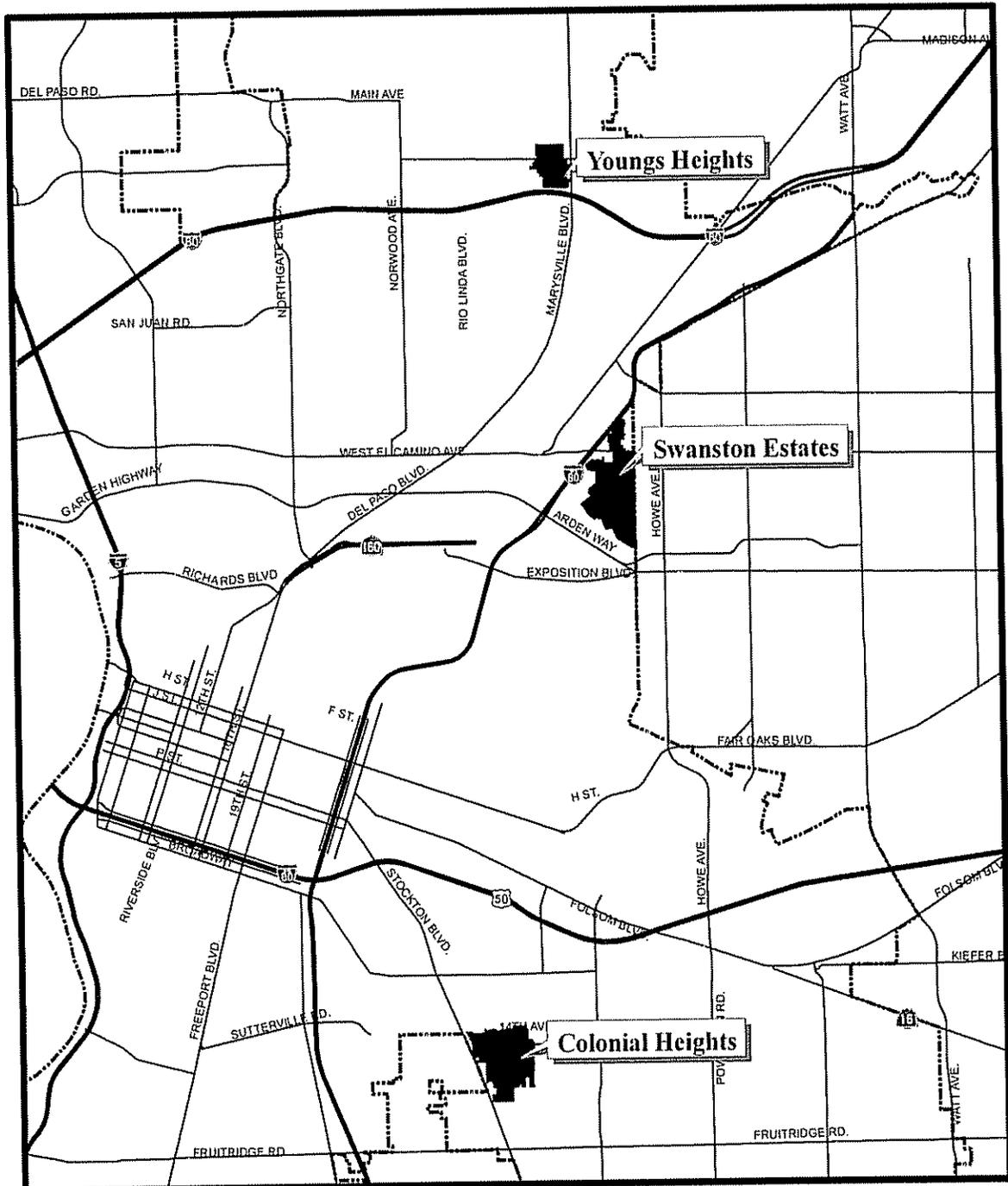
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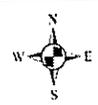
EXHIBIT A

# Neighborhood Lighting District 96-07



City Boundary  
District Boundary

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**EXHIBIT B**

**NEIGHBORHOOD LIGHTING DISTRICT  
NEIGHBORHOOD AND PARCEL ASSESSMENTS**

The cost for each individual neighborhood is as follows:

Neighborhood	FY 2006/07 Budget	Surplus/ (deficit)	FY 2006/07 Assessed
Swanston Estates	\$19,327	2,258	17,069
Youngs Heights	3,231	(100)	3,331
Colonial Heights	18,390	(100)	18,490

The following is a breakdown of the average cost per single-family lot in each neighborhood with less than 100 feet of frontage.

Neighborhood	# of Lots	Maximum Authorize	FY 2005/06	FY 2006/07
Swanston Estates	694	\$23.94	\$23.26	\$23.94
Youngs Heights	125	23.94	23.26	23.94
Colonial Heights	748	23.94	23.26	23.94

