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Supplemental Material

For
City of Sacramento

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Sacramento City Financing Authority

Agenda Packet

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For the Meeting of: January 23, 2007

- Additional Material
- Revised Material

Subject: Natomas Joint Vision City-County Memorandum of Understanding (MOU): Cost Sharing - Open Space Program and Environmental Impact Report

Attachment 4 – Resolution, Exhibit A – MOU for LAFCo Co-Lead, Recital No. 3 has been revised to clarify that agricultural preservation is included in the Open Space Program.

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
AND THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO
RELATING TO THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO'S APPLICATION FOR A SPHERE OF
INFLUENCE AMENDMENT IN THE NATOMAS JOINT VISION AREA**

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made and entered into on _____ by and between the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "LAFCo", and the City of Sacramento, a charter municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "City".

R E C I T A L S

1. The City of Sacramento and the County of Sacramento entered into a Memorandum of Understanding Relating to the City-County Natomas Joint Vision (December 2002) (Joint Vision MOU) that addresses their mutual land use policies and economic interests in accommodating limited long-term development while securing permanent preservation of open space in the Natomas area.
2. The City Council adopted Resolution 2006-568, on the date of July 25, 2006, initiating an amendment to the City's Sphere of Influence.
3. The City of Sacramento's annexation policy is to assist property owners and residents within the City's adopted Sphere of Influence obtain adequate municipal services. In analyzing population data, the City has determined that it is necessary to amend its probable physical boundaries and service area in the Natomas Joint Vision area to accommodate projected future population growth. Therefore, the City has determined to initiate a General Plan Amendment, a General Plan Land Use Map Amendment, an Open Space Program (which includes agricultural preservation), and a Sphere of Influence Boundary Amendment (including a related Municipal Service Review), consistent with the principles and understandings contained in the Joint Vision MOU (the City's Project). Taken together these actions comprise a "project" within the meaning of and subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code §21000 *et seq.*) (CEQA).
4. LAFCo is the appropriate Lead Agency for the proposed Sphere of Influence Boundary Amendment (Gov. Code § 56425 subd. (a), Pub. Res. Code § 21067; LAFCo Policies, IV.F.1, p. IV-7), and will require that the EIR adequately address the environmental issues associated with this portion of the City's Project. The City

- A. City, through its staff, shall be the primary contact point for the EIR consultant for purposes of generally directing the work of preparing the EIR and the Municipal Services Review; transmitting, receiving and disseminating reports, studies, drafts, and other documents related to the EIR and the Municipal Services Report; transmitting, receiving and responding to questions, comments, requests for clarification or additional information; scheduling meetings; preparing and conducting all public notices and mailings, and the like, including necessary related administrative oversight.
- B. LAFCo, through its Commission, staff, and independent consultants, shall have final oversight, review, and approval authority over the content of the administrative draft EIR (ADEIR), the draft EIR (DEIR), the final EIR (FEIR) and the Municipal Service Review as they each relate to the Sphere of Influence Boundary Amendment, and shall have Responsible Agency review over the Reorganization (Annexation and related detachments). City, through its staff, shall coordinate and work cooperatively and collaboratively with LAFCo to ensure that LAFCo has sufficient and meaningful opportunity to review, evaluate, and exercise its independent judgment over the content of the EIR as it relates to Sphere of Influence Boundary Amendment, Municipal Service Review and Reorganization (annexation and related detachments). To this end, LAFCo shall have the right to approve all studies, reports, drafts, and other documents prepared for or in connection with the EIR before public release, to edit or request changes to the ADEIR, DEIR, and FEIR and the Municipal Services Review, and request additional work as LAFCo, in the exercise of reasonable judgment and discretion, determines to be necessary to ensure the adequacy and objectivity of the EIR as needed for LAFCo's action as lead agency for the Sphere of Influence Boundary Amendment, Municipal Service Review and Reorganization (annexation and related detachments). At a minimum, City shall notify reasonably in advance (minimum of 72 hours) and give LAFCo the opportunity to attend all meetings with the EIR consultant and shall copy LAFCo of all correspondence between the City and its consultant, except those related solely to contract and billing issues.
- C. City and LAFCo shall each identify and notify the other of their respective staff contacts responsible for implementing this MOU.
- D. City and LAFCo staffs shall hold regular status meetings to discuss the progress of the work in conformance with the agreed schedule.
- E. LAFCo shall schedule and hold at least one public hearing during the DEIR comment period to address comments on and revisions to the DEIR.

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into as of _____.

SACRAMENTO LAFCo

CITY OF SACRAMENTO

By: _____
Executive Officer

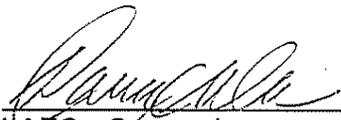
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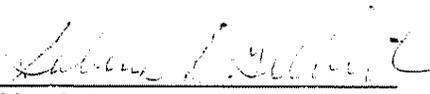
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LAFCo Counsel

By:  _____
City Attorney

ATTEST

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City Clerk