

REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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PUBLIC HEARING
June 12, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Village Garden Landscape Maintenance District – Public Hearing

Location/Council District: North Sacramento, Council District No. 2. Includes Village Garden North Subdivision, Units 1 through 5 (Attachment 3, Page 3).

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion 1) adopt a **Resolution** confirming the assessment diagram and the assessment and levying the assessment for Fiscal Year 2007/08 for the Village Garden Landscape Maintenance District; and 2) adopt a **Resolution** amending the Fiscal Year 2007/08 City Budget for the Village Garden Landscape District.

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

Presenters: Not Applicable

Department: Planning Department

Division: Public Improvement Financing

Organization No: 4915

Description/Analysis

Issue: The district is required by the California Streets and Highways Code to present to City Council an annual budget for approval. Approval of the annual budget will authorize the City to collect assessments in the amount sufficient to provide funding for maintenance of the landscaped areas adjacent to the parcels in this district for FY2007-08.

Policy Considerations: The annual proceedings for this district are being conducted 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".

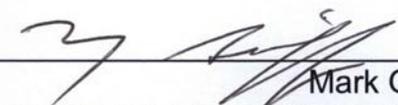
Environmental Considerations: Under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines, annual proceedings of a Special District do not constitute a project, and are therefore exempt from review.

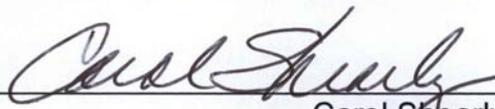
Committee/Commission: None

Rationale for Recommendation: The actions in the recommended Resolutions are required by the California Streets and Highways Code, as set forth in Section 22500 of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, for annual proceedings of an existing district.

Financial Considerations: This district is self-supporting and has no impact on the General Fund. The estimated budget for FY2007/08 is projected at \$19,800 as shown on Exhibit B, and detailed in the Engineer's Report on file with the City Clerk. The deficit is paid with available surplus funds from previous assessments.

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, Planning Department

Approved by: 
Carol Shearly
Director, Planning Department

Recommendation Approved:

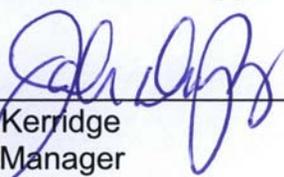

Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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BACKGROUND

On December 8, 1987, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 87-1012 ordering the formation of the Village Garden North Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District. During the annual proceedings for FY2001/02, Council changed the name of the District to Village Garden Landscape District. The district provides funding to maintain frontage landscaping for 208 residential lots.

Each year the City must adopt a new Engineer's Report and re-levy the assessments. This report presents the recommended Village Garden Landscape District budget for FY2007/08 and the necessary assessments to perform the landscape maintenance. The resolution sets the public hearing for June 12, 2007 in the Council Chambers.

The total cost to property owners in FY2007/08 is projected at \$16,224. Landscape costs will be assessed to the 208 residential lots within the district in the amount of \$78 per single-family residential lot. This amount is less than the maximum authorized annual assessment of \$20,800 (\$100 per lot) approved by City Council at district formation. However, the proposed individual assessment is an \$8.00 per lot increase (approximately 11%) over the FY2006/07 assessment due to an approximate 15% increase in contract costs. The assessment pays for the landscape maintenance and administrative costs.

The table below reflects the assessment to property owners and the offset needed from available surplus funds. Available surplus funds are projected to be \$13,251 at the beginning of FY2007/08.

FY06/07 Assessed	FY07/08 Budget	Offset from Projected Surplus	FY07/08 Assessed
\$14,560	\$19,800	\$3,576	\$16,224

**VILLAGE GARDEN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
FY2007/08 SCHEDULE**

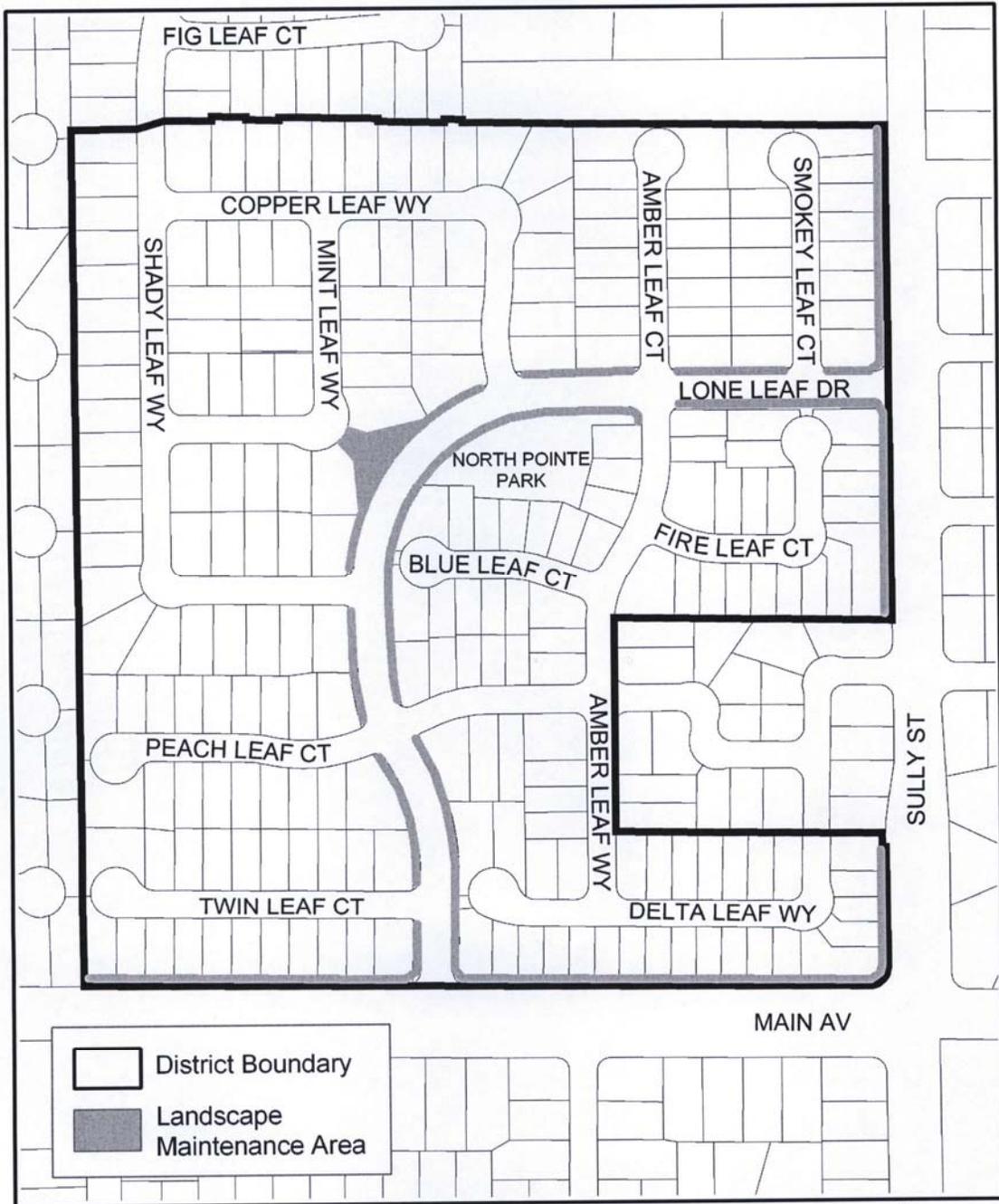
May 22, 2007 Council Considers Resolution of Intention and Sets Date for Public Hearing

May 24, 2007 Publish Notice of Hearing

June 12, 2007	Hold Public Hearing Council Orders Annual Levy
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July, 2007 Assessments to County for Placement on Tax Roll

Village Garden Landscape District



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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

CONFIRMING DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT AND LEVYING ASSESSMENT FOR THE VILLAGE GARDEN LANDSCAPE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/08 (Pursuant to Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972)

BACKGROUND:

- A. The Village Garden Landscape District ("District"), as depicted in Exhibit A, was established by the City Council and approved by the property owners on December 8, 1987 (Resolution No. 87-1012).
- 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 landscaping maintenance services and related services to be provided within the District, all in accordance with the 1972 Act.
- C. Pursuant to Chapter 3 of the 1972 Act, City Council directed the Engineering Manager of the Development Services Department, as the Engineer of Work for the District, to prepare and file an Annual Engineer's Report for the Fiscal Year ("FY") 2007/08.
- D. The Engineer of Work filed the Annual Report on May 22, 2007, and City Council adopted a Resolution approving the Annual Engineer's Report and Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within the assessment district for FY2007/08 and set a public hearing for June 12, 2007, in the meeting place of City Council, City Hall, 915 I Street, First Floor, Sacramento, California. Notice of the hearing was given in the time and manner required by law.
- E. The FY2007/08 assessments an increase over the FY2006/07 assessments but are less than the maximum authorized amount for the district as shown on Exhibit B.
- F. 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 F are true and correct.

Section 2. The City Council

(a) confirms the assessment diagram and the assessment roll set forth in the Annual Engineer's Report; and

(b) levies the assessment set forth in the Annual Engineer's Report.

Section 3. Exhibit A is part of the resolution.

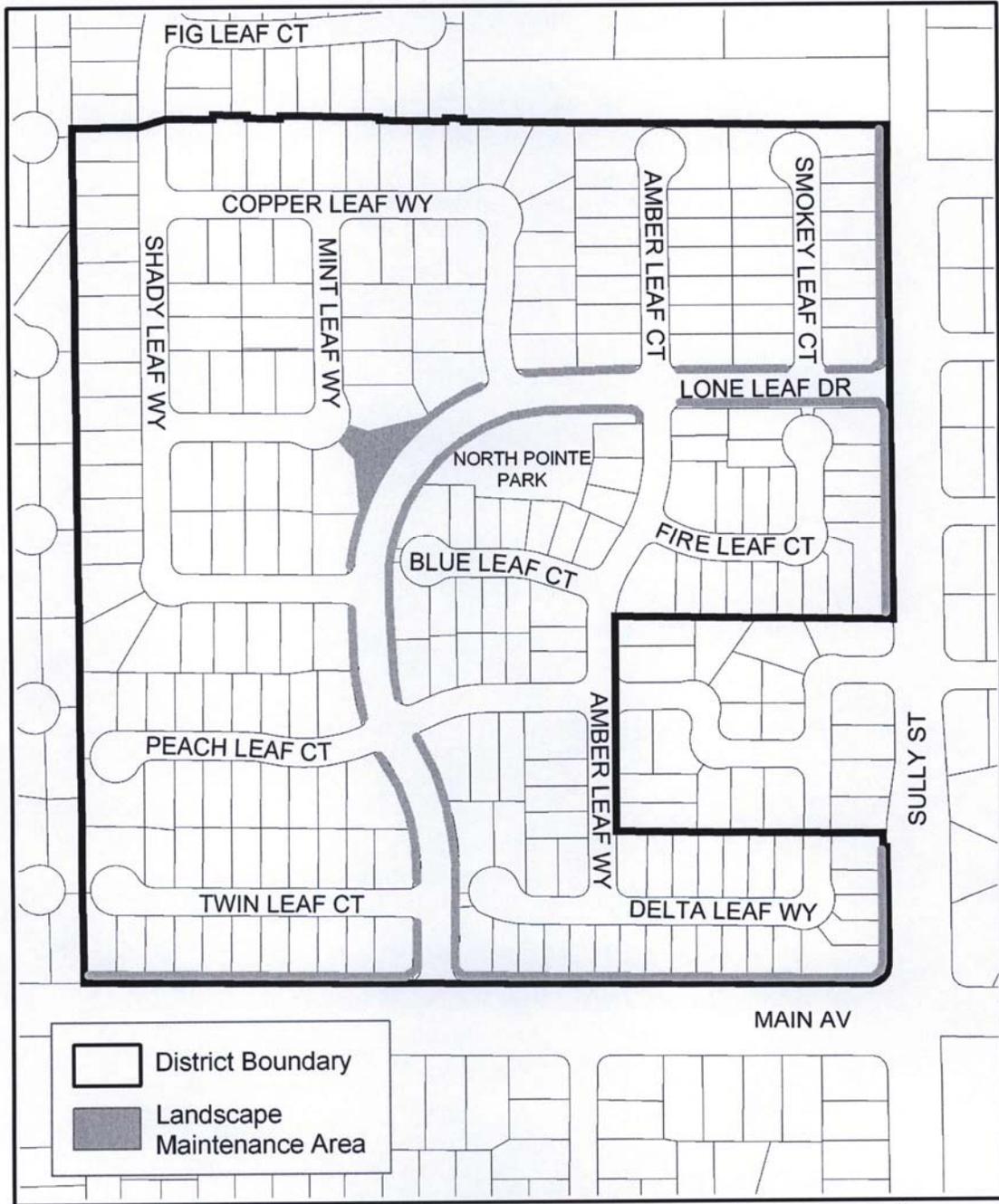
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EXHIBIT A

Village Garden Landscape District



Legend:

- District Boundary
- Landscape Maintenance Area



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EXHIBIT B

**VILLAGE GARDEN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
FY2007/2008**

DISTRICT AND PARCEL ASSESSMENT

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT

Name	FY 2007/08 Budget	Surplus/ (deficit)	FY 2007/08 Assessed
Village Garden Landscape Maintenance District	\$19,800	(\$3,576)	\$16,224

PARCEL ASSESSMENT

The total annual maintenance cost is assessed to each residential parcel in proportion to the total number of residential parcels in the district. Each benefited residential parcel in the Village Garden Landscape District is determined to have equal benefit from the landscaping improvements and maintenance.

Name	Maximum Authorized	FY 2006/07	FY 2007/08
Village Garden Landscape Maintenance District	\$100.00	\$70.00	\$78.00

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

AMENDING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2007/08 BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE GARDEN LANDSCAPE DISTRICT, FUND 214

BACKGROUND:

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- C. The property owners within the boundaries of the District are assessed a fee (See Exhibit B) to cover the cost of delivering landscaping maintenance services;
- 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. The FY2007 revenue (\$14,560) and expenditure (\$17,099) budgets be amended for the District. See Exhibit B for detailed information on the budget.

Section 3. The Finance Director is authorized to amend the expenditure authority for the Departments of Transportation, Planning and Finance (See Exhibit B) necessary to provide services for the District in the amount of \$17,099 which will be reimbursed by the District.

Section 4. Exhibits A and B are part of this resolution.

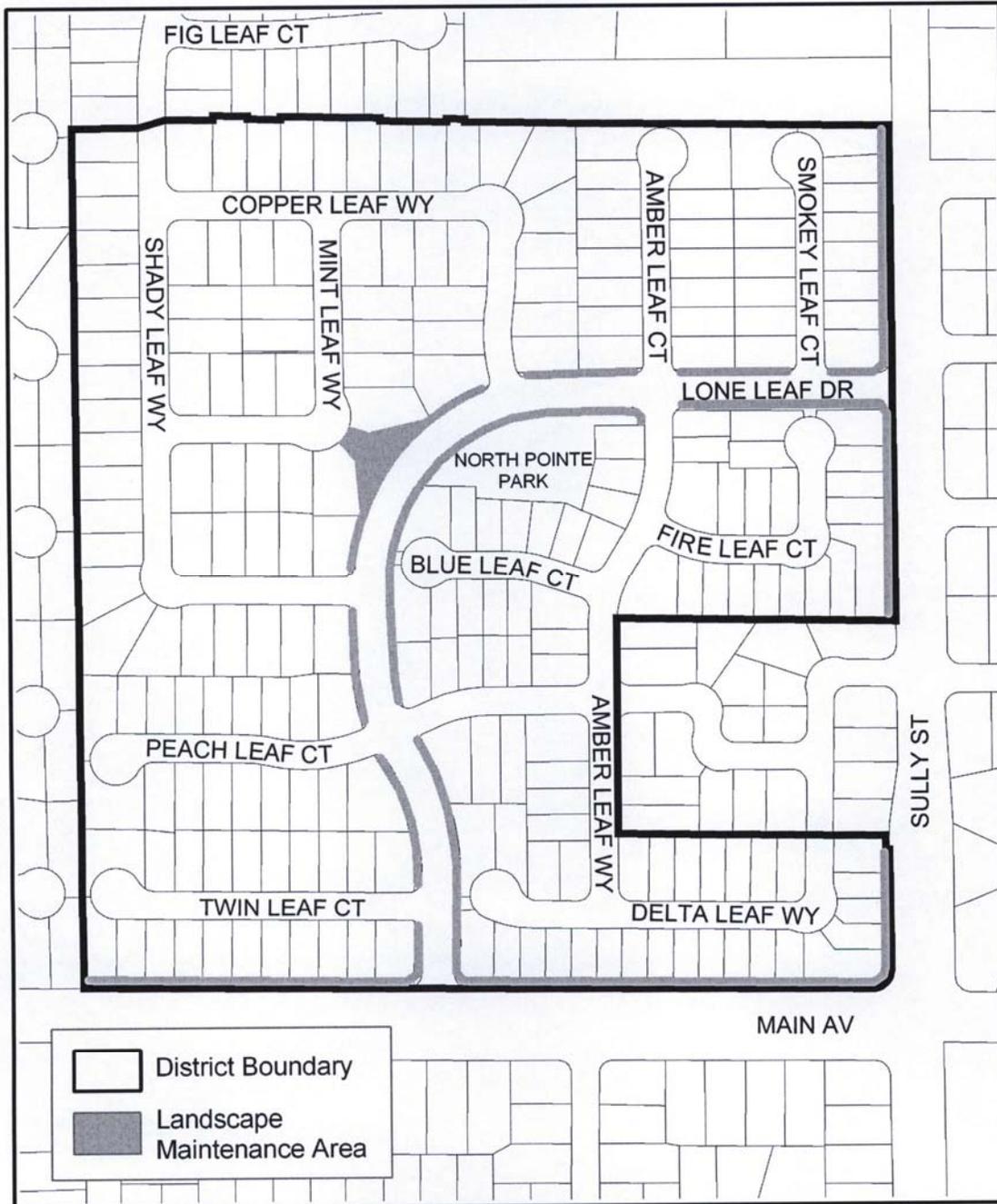
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EXHIBIT A

Village Garden Landscape District



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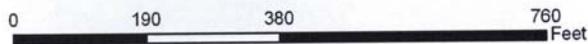


EXHIBIT B

**VILLAGE GARDEN LANDSCAPE DISTRICT FY2007/08 BUDGET
(FUND 280)**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>
I. Maintenance Contract	\$15,400
II. Special District Administration	\$3,000
III. Contingency	\$0
IV. Annual Billing & Accounting Administration	<u>\$1,400</u>
Total Budget	\$19,800
V. Fund Balance (Offset)	\$3,576
Total Assessment To Property Owners	\$16,224

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