

December 6, 2001 (Agenda)

Local Agency Formation Commission
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101

LAFCO 01-7 – Goleta Valley Annexation to County Service Area No. 3

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission adopt the enclosed resolution finding that protests that were filed are insufficient to terminate the annexation or require a confirmation election and ordering the Goleta Valley Annexation to County Service Area No. 3 to be recorded.

DISCUSSION

On October 4, 2001 the Commission approved the Goleta Valley Annexation to County Service Area No. 3 subject to various terms and conditions. As required by AB 2838, the Commission became the conducting authority for the purpose of completing the proceeding.

The conducting authority is required to provide written notice of a hearing to receive any protests against the annexation. The protests submitted determine the outcome as follows:

- If written protests are submitted by a majority of the registered voters residing within the proposal area, the annexation proceedings are terminated
- If written protests are submitted by 25 percent or more of registered voters or landowners within the proposal area, a confirmation election is held to determine the outcome
- If written protests represent fewer than 25 percent of the landowners or registered voters, the annexation is completed without election.

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Based on the authority delegated by the Commission to the staff to conduct "protest hearings" the Executive Officer provided proper notice and conducted a hearing on Monday, November 5.

An insufficient number of written protests has been submitted to either require a confirmation election or to terminate the proceedings. Actually, only two written protests were received.

The staff recommends that the Commission adopt the enclosed resolution and order the staff to complete the Goleta Valley Annexation to County Service Area. No. 3.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer