

LAFCO 24-03

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION MAKING DETERMINATIONS AND APPROVING THE 1385 AND
1405 ANDERSON LANE INVOLVING AMENDMENT OF THE SPHERE OF
INFLUENCE AND ANNEXATION TO THE GOLETA SANITARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the above-referenced proposal has been filed with the Executive Officer of the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act (Section 56000 et seq. of the Government Code); and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2024, the Executive Officer issued a Certificate of Filing for LAFCO application No, 23-04. The application proposes an amendment of the sphere of influence (SOI) and annexation of the properties known as the 1385 and 14005 Anderson Lane to the Goleta Sanitary District; and

WHEREAS, at the times and in the manner required by law the Executive Officer has given notice of the Commission consideration of the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Commission heard, discussed and considered all oral and written testimony and evidence related to the proposal including, but not limited to, the Executive Officer's report and recommendation, the environmental document or determination, Spheres of Influence and applicable General and Specific Plans; and

WHEREAS, the Commission determined that the environmental review documentation meets the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq., (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has considered all factors required to be considered by Government Code Sections 56668 et seq.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the Commission as follows:

- (1) The proposal has been reviewed and is found to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15319, Class 19 Annexations of individual small parcels for facilities exempted by Section 15303.
- (2) The Commissions written determination pursuant to Government Code Section 56425(e)(1-5) include:

- a) Present and planned land uses in the area, including agriculture, and open space lands:

The present and planned uses for this Sphere of Influence Amendment are consistent with the County's General Plan, for Eastern Goleta Valley Community Plan approved by the County. The plan for providing services for this area include services from the Goleta Sanitary District for sewer services to existing agricultural and residential uses. The proposal would construct a new sewer main and laterals to provide sewer service to 1385 & 1405 Anderson Lane, Santa Barbara Overall, the County's General Plan clearly identifies community goals, objectives, policies and standards. The policy document provides for the logical and orderly growth of the Sanitary District and encourages the conversion of septic systems to sewer systems in urban areas. The annexation contains existing agricultural resources but does not propose any changes to land use as a result of annexation.

- b) Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area:

The present need for public services in the proposed SOI area consist of services for existing residential uses. A public sewer line is planned for Anderson Lane to serve 13 additional parcels already within the GSD service area. These two parcels would be the only parcels not connected if not annexed. The surrounding properties would not change existing land uses and remain as agriculture under the County jurisdiction. Water services would continue to be provided by the Goleta Water District and new sewer services would be provided by Goleta Sanitary District. Fire would continue to be provided by County Fire Protection District. The parcels already reside within the water and fire district service boundary. Parcels along the north and southern border of Anderson Lane are within the Sanitary District as part of Dorwin Annexation in 1957. The primary purpose is to allow for extension of public sewer service to the identified property.

- c) Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide:

Sewer services identical to other users currently within Goleta Sanitary District (GSD) could be provided within one year of annexation. The nearest sewer connection would be Shoreline Drive sewer main. Thirteen other properties would benefit from the Anderson Lane Reimbursement Agreement extension. The connection is located approximately 2,000-feet from the existing parcels within Anderson Lane connecting to Shoreline Drive. The District estimated it serves a population of 41,111 people with 12,384 connections. The GSD treatment plant has a capacity of 9.7 million gallons per day (MGD) (based on average daily flow) but is currently limited to a permitted discharge of 7.64 million gallons per day pursuant to a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in concurrence with the States' Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (CCRWQCB). The Districts water resource recovery facility appears to have a current remaining capacity of approximately 4.54 MGD based on the maximum facility design capacity and 2.46 MGD based on the current NPDES permit requirements. GSD has a remaining capacity of approximately 4.54 MGD based on the maximum facility design capacity and 2.46 MGD based on the current NPDES permit requirements. The WWTP is designed to treat up to 3.3 million gallons per day of secondary effluent to tertiary standards. The WWTP was originally constructed in 1944 and located on 12 acres of District-owned land. The WWTP is designed to serve about