

February 7, 2002 (Agenda)

Local Agency Formation Commission
105 E. Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101

Authorization for Contract with JDL Mapping to Revise and Update Maps for the Directory of Local Agencies

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the commission authorize the Executive Officer to execute a contract, subject to legal counsel approval, with JDL Mapping to prepare revised maps for the Commission's Directory of Local Agencies, at an amount not to exceed \$5,600.

DISCUSSION

In 1996 the Commission issued its "Directory of Local Agencies in Santa Barbara County" This has proven to be a valuable reference by describing each city and special district with information such as the services provided, how the agency is governed and its legal authority. The Directory also includes a map of each agency. The Directory was revised in 1999.

Updating the directory is supportive of and consistent with Commission objectives for this and coming years, which include updating each sphere of influence and preparing municipal service reviews. The Directory will provide base information for those additional studies and analyses.

The maps for the initial Directory were prepared by Magellan Geographix, a private firm utilizing data provided by the County Surveyor's office. While those maps were adequate, with today's new GIS the maps can be significantly improved and made to be more useful.

It is recommended that the Commission authorize the staff to execute a contract with JDL Mapping to prepare revised and updated maps for the Directory. The cost for this mapping effort (there are approximately 30 maps in the Directory) has been negotiated at \$5,600. The staff believes this is a reasonable cost for the expected work products.

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The principals in JDL Mapping, Jared Dawson and Dennis Loyst, specialize in geographic information and familiar with local agencies in Santa Barbara County. Until recently they were each employed in the County Assessor's GIS Division. They are familiar with available data and have the means to produce improved maps to enhance the Directory.

The staff requested the County Assessor's office to consider preparing the updated maps but it was mutually decided that given the turnover in staff and other workload responsibilities, the requested mapping would not be available within the time frame needed to update the Directory.

We have solicited updated text information from each city and special district. The new version of the Directory will include additional data regarding the governing boards and agency staff

Adequate funds for the recommended contract is available in Account No. 7460-Professional and Specialized Services.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer

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