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To: LAFCo Commissioners

From: Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer

Subject: LAFCo File No. 14-13—Proposed Water Extension by City of Redwood City to 862 Sweeney Avenue (APN 054-083-170), Unincorporated San Mateo County, pursuant to Government Code Section 56133

Summary

Pursuant to Government Code Section 56133, Commission approval is required for extension of service by local agencies to territory outside the agency's boundaries. This section requires that the public agency apply to LAFCo by resolution on behalf of the landowner. In this case, the City of Redwood City has applied for extension of water service on behalf of the owner of an existing commercial parcel on Sweeney Avenue in Unincorporated North Fair Oaks. A water connection is a County of San Mateo Building Department condition of approval for legalizing buildings on the parcels. The project area is within the sphere of influence (SOI) of the City of Redwood City and the City's water service area. Commission approval is recommended.

Staff Report and Recommendations

This proposal was submitted by resolution of the City of Redwood City as a condition of approval by the San Mateo County Building Department to legalize existing buildings. The buildings being legalized are currently receiving water by connection from a parcel contiguous to the rear of 862 Sweeney that is under the same ownership. It is therefore necessary to provide a legal water connection for the subject parcel. The property is within the SOI of the City of Redwood City and the City's water service area. The parcels are not contiguous to the City boundary.

San Mateo County Environmental Health reports that the City of Redwood City provides water and that the County-governed Fair Oaks Sewer Maintenance District provides sewer service in the area. The proposal has no adverse environmental health significance and there are no registered voters in the subject territory.

California Environmental Quality Act

Water extension to the parcel is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15303, Class 3, relating to new construction or conversion of small structures.

Recommendation

By motion, approve Proposed Water Extension by City of Redwood City to 862 Sweeney Avenue (Unincorporated San Mateo County) pursuant to Government Code Section 56133 and direct the Executive Officer to send a letter of approval to the City and the property owner.

cc: Javier Sierra, Water Department, City of Redwood City
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