



AGENDA ITEM 8C

MEETING: September 20, 2017
TO: Humboldt LAFCo Commissioners
FROM: Colette Metz, Administrator
SUBJECT: **Status of Current and Future Proposals**
The Commission will receive a report summarizing active on future proposals. This report is being presented for information only.

BACKGROUND

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 delegates Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCos) with regulatory and planning duties to coordinate the logical formation and development of local governmental agencies. This includes approving or disapproving proposals for annexation, sphere of influence amendments, and outside agency service requests.

DISCUSSION

Following is a summary of active and future proposals.

Active Proposals

There are currently two (2) active applications on file with the Commission, as follows:

Samoa Peninsula Fire District Reorganization to a CSD

The Commission approved the Samoa Peninsula Fire Protection District (SPFPD) Reorganization to the Peninsula Community Services District (PCSD) with terms and conditions on May 15th. The LAFCo action has allowed the PCSD formation to proceed to a vote, as Measure Z, in November 2017. An impartial analysis for the measure has been prepared by the LAFCo Executive Officer. In addition, staff has been working to facilitate conditions compliance, including coordinating with GHD (LAFCo's contract engineer) to assist with a preliminary engineering inventory of the major infrastructure components intended to be transferred to the PCSD. The development of an asset inventory of both existing and proposed facilities will be the basis for determining the budget needed to manage assets transferred to the PCSD. It will also be used to inform the Dedication of Asset Transfer Agreement by the Samoa Pacific Group, LLC to the PCSD (LAFCo Condition #9).

1705 Buttermilk Lane Annexation to the City of Arcata

The Commission approved the single parcel annexation of 1705 Buttermilk Lane to the City of Arcata on July 10th. Staff is coordinating for the preparation of a map and geographic description of the annexation area that conforms with State Board of Equalization requirements. This must be completed prior to recording the Certificate of Completion with the County Recorder's Office.

Future Proposals

There are several potential new proposals to the Commission in the near future based on discussions with proponents. A summary of these anticipated proposals follows.

City of Arcata Creekside Homes Annexation

The project proposes annexation, rezoning, and subdivision of parcel 505-161-011 located at 2000 Foster Avenue near the Foster Avenue and "Q" Street intersection. An EIR is being prepared for the project with the City of Arcata as lead agency.

City of Eureka Brainard Annexation

Annexation of the Brainard property to the City of Eureka is being considered for potential future industrial or other use. The City is addressing zoning, development standards, and/or overlay zones that would facilitate the development of a high-end industrial park at the Brainard facility along Highway 101 between Arcata and Eureka. LAFCo staff provided comments on the City's Draft Initial Study in July. Subsequently, the Eureka Planning Commission voted 4-0, with one absent, to adopt a resolution recommending annexation and rezoning to the council on September 11th. The project is expected to go before the Council on October 3rd.

Fires Services Coordination Efforts

A portion of Measure Z funds granted to the Humboldt County Fire Chiefs Association is focused on sustainable community fire protection to address the lack of complete community coverage and sustainable revenue. A series of meetings have been held with fire-related districts within the "Avenues Study Area" that includes the response areas from Phillippsville to Redcrest – as well as Salmon Creek, Miranda, Fruitland Ridge, Myers Flat, Shively and Weott. Currently, discussions are ongoing regarding potential reorganization options and next steps for implementation. A Budget Subcommittee has been formed to review budget and funding details for the reorganization. Also, a Community Outreach Subcommittee is organizing an Avenues Fire Rendezvous event on October 8th. See attached flyer for more details.

Humboldt Community Services District Annexation

The District has been contacted by several property owners in the McKay Tract area regarding potential annexation. These properties were added to the District Sphere of Influence in the last update. LAFCo staff has participated in meetings with District staff and the subject property owners, and also a meeting with County staff as one of the properties is proposed for subdivision.

Rohnerville Community Recreation and Park District

Staff has been working to evaluate reorganization options for the Park District, including: 1) Establishing the District as subsidiary to the City of Fortuna, which is subject to a territorial requirement that at least 70 percent of the territory in the District must be within the City; and 2) District dissolution and designating the City of Fortuna as the successor agency. LAFCo staff is meeting with City and County representatives to discuss these options and the best option for moving forward.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission receive and file this report.

Avenue Fire Rendezvous

FREE
Family Friendly

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
OCTOBER 8 2017
NOON TO 4PM

Location:
AVENUE OF THE GIANTS
DYERVILLE OVERLOOK
SOUTH FORK EEL RIVER

Hands-on Fire Department Engines
Technical Rescue Training in Action
Children's Fire Brigade

Free hamburgers to first 50 attendees

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at work**

**Come meet you local Fire
Departments. Join the Team.
Volunteers Welcome!**

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