

REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION

August 1, 2006

FROM: PAT A. DENNEN, Fire Chief/Fire Warden
San Bernardino County Consolidated Fire District

SUBJECT: DECLARE OFFICIAL THE RESULTS OF MAILED BALLOT ELECTION FOR
CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT, COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70,
IMPROVEMENT ZONE FP-5 (HELENDALE/SILVER LAKES) FOR INCREASED
FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION: Acting as the governing body of County Service Area 70, Improvement
Zone FP-5 (Helendale/Silver Lakes):

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 06-283** declaring official the results of the mailed ballot proceeding for a special tax per parcel, as certified by the Registrar of Voters, for the purpose of financing an increased level of fire and emergency medical services to the Helendale/Silver Lakes community within County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone FP-5 (CSA 70, FP-5).
2. Direct the Auditor/Controller – Recorder's Office to place a special tax of \$117 per parcel on the 2006/07 tax roll, with future annual inflationary increases of up to 3%, for the purpose of financing an increased level of fire and emergency medical services in connection with CSA 70, FP-5.
3. Authorize staff to modify its application on file with the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) regarding the reorganization of the County Fire Department (LAFCO No. 3000) to include the newly formed CSA 70, FP-5 district as an additional improvement district for purposes of providing enhanced fire protection services to the community of Helendale/Silver Lakes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: County Fire Station No. 4 in County Service Area 38 (CSA 38), currently provides fire services to the community of Helendale/Silver Lakes. These services are currently funded through a share of general property taxes. The citizens of the Helendale/Silver Lakes area serviced by CSA 38 had requested that an election be conducted to determine if registered voters in their area would be in favor of approving a new special tax for increased fire and emergency medical services.

On April 18, 2006, the Board of Supervisors formed CSA 70, FP-5 and authorized the County Fire Department to conduct the mailed ballot special tax election. The ballots were mailed May 9, 2006 and were due back on June 30, 2006. The results of the ballot election indicated that over 2/3 of the registered voters were in favor of the special tax. The results of the election were compiled and certified by the Registrar of Voters.

w/resolution:
cc: County Fire-Dennen
CC-Krahelski
CAO-Thies
Assessor
ROV
Auditor

File-SBCCFD -CSA 70, FP-5

Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors

Resolution No. 06-283

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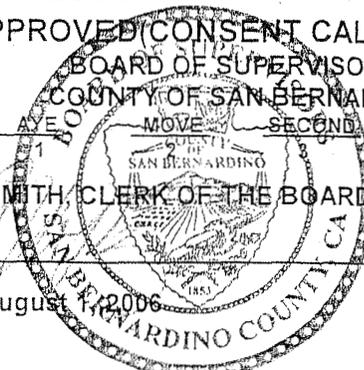
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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DENA M. SMITH, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY

DATED: August 1, 2006



**DECLARE OFFICIAL THE RESULTS OF MAILED BALLOT ELECTION FOR CONSOLIDATED
FIRE DISTRICT, COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70, IMPROVEMENT ZONE FP-5
(HELENDALE/SILVER LAKES) FOR INCREASED FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL
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The \$886,000 in funds generated by the \$117 per parcel special tax will be used to provide three (3) regular full-time engineers, and six (6) regular full-time firefighter paramedics. The 3% maximum annual cost of living increase will ensure the district can continue this level of fire and emergency medical services in the future.

County Fire had submitted an application to LAFCO on July 25, 2005 that proposed a reorganization of the County Fire Department. The core characteristic of the proposal was to establish a single fire protection district that would be further divided into improvement districts to provide fire and emergency medical services on a regional basis. Included as separate improvement districts were areas that encompassed special taxes levied to fund the delivery of additional fire and/or emergency medical services. As a result of the formation of this new improvement zone and voter approved special tax, County Fire is required to amend the current application with LAFCO to reflect it as a newly proposed improvement district.

Approval of Recommendation No. 1 would adopt a resolution declaring official the results of the mailed ballot proceeding for a special tax per parcel, as certified by the Registrar of Voters, for the purpose of financing an increased level of fire and emergency medical services to the Helendale/Silver Lakes community within County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone FP-5.

Approval of Recommendation No. 2 would direct the Auditor/Controller – Recorder's Office to place a special tax of \$117 per parcel on the 2006/07 tax roll, with future annual inflationary increases of up to 3%, for the purpose of financing an increased level of fire and emergency medical services in connection with CSA 70, FP-5.

Approval of Recommendation No. 3 would authorize staff to modify its application on file with the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) regarding the reorganization of the County Fire Department (LAFCO No. 3000) to include the newly formed CSA 70, FP-5 district as an additional improvement district for purposes of providing enhanced fire protection services to the community of Helendale/Silver Lakes.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This action has been reviewed by County Counsel (L. Thomas Krahelski, Deputy, 387-5436) on July 14, 2006; and reviewed by the County Administrative Office, (Wayne Thies, Administrative Analyst, 387-5409) on July 19, 2006.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The special tax funds of \$886,000 will be used to fund an increased level of fire and emergency medical services beginning in Fiscal Year 2006/07. CSA 38 and the Silver Lakes Association have paid for all costs related to the formation and the mailed ballot proceeding. The FY 2006/07 revenue and appropriation budgetary adjustments for a County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone FP-5 district operating budget will be incorporated within a future agenda item that will recommend adoption of the final budget. Adoption of the final budget is anticipated to occur on August 22, 2006.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): First

PRESENTER: Pat A. Dennen, 387-5952

1 RESOLUTION NO. 06-283

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3 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN
4 BERNARDINO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACTING IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE
5 GOVERNING BODY OF COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70, IMPROVEMENT ZONE
6 FP-5 (HELENDALE/SILVER LAKES) CONFIRMING THE RESULTS OF A
7 SPECIAL ELECTION AND PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL
8 TAXES ON THE TAX ROLL

9 On Tuesday, August 1, 2006, on motion of Supervisor Biane, duly seconded by
10 Supervisor Hansberger, and carried, the following resolution is adopted:

11 SECTION 1. The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino hereby
12 finds and determines:

13 (a) That County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone FP-5 is organized and
14 operated under the authority of Chapter 2.2 of Division 2, Title 3 of the Government
15 Code (commencing with Section 25210.1) and is authorized to provide fire protection
16 and emergency medical services.

17 (b) That the proceedings for formation of County Service Area 70,
18 Improvement Zone FP-5, were conducted by this Board at the request of affected
19 property owners.

20 (c) That this Board called for a public hearing on the proposed formation and
21 special tax election to be held on April 18, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., at the Chambers of the
22 Board of Supervisors, County Government Center, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, First
23 Floor, San Bernardino, California, and directed the Clerk of the Board to Give notice of
24 the hearing.

25 (d) That required notice was given and a public hearing was held on said date
26 and all parties desiring to be heard have been heard and testimony and evidence for
27 and against the proposed formation and special election, if any, were duly considered.

28 SECTION 2. The Board of the County of San Bernardino, acting in its capacity
as the governing body of County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone FP-5, therefore,
hereby resolves and orders:

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(a) That pursuant to the results of a mailed ballot election, wherein more than 2/3 of the property owners voted in favor of the special tax, there is hereby established a yearly special tax of \$117, with an annual inflationary increase of up to 3%, per parcel on real property within the boundaries of the improvement zone and said service charge shall be collected on the tax bills for the affected properties.

(b) That the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to certify to the passage of this resolution and to file copies of same with the County Assessor; the Clerk is further directed to request the recordation of this resolution in the official records of San Bernardino County and to forward copies of this resolution to the following: The Registrar of Voters of the County of San Bernardino, and the Auditor of the County of San Bernardino.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, State of California, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors: Postmus, Biane, Hansberger, Ovitt, Gonzales

NOES: Supervisors: None

ABSENT: Supervisors: None

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO)

I, DENA M. SMITH, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, California, hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the record of the action as the same appears in the Official Minutes of said Board at its meeting of August 1, 2006. Item 12, ml.

DENA M. SMITH
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
of San Bernardino County

