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**TO:** LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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**SUBJECT: Agenda Item #7: Consideration of Initiation of Dissolution of  
Parker Dam Park and Recreation District**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Commission initiate proceedings for the dissolution of the Parker Dam Park and Recreation District pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 56375 with the following findings:

- a. There has not been a duly selected and acting quorum of the board of directors of the district for approximately two years.
- b. The Board of Directors has not expended the proceeds of the District's share of the 1% general ad valorem tax in more than three years.

**BACKGROUND:**

At the May 18<sup>th</sup> hearing, the Commission was provided with a request from the Property Tax Manager of the Office of the Auditor/Controller-Recorder for the County to take action to dissolve the Parker Dam Park and Recreation District (copy included as Attachment #1). This request outlines that there has been no activity related to the accounts processed by the County for this agency since Fiscal Year 2003-04 and repeated attempts to contact the agency have been unsuccessful. Commission staff has also attempted to contact the District for the past several years related to the payment of its required apportionment to the operations of the Commission. Mail sent to the District has been returned as undeliverable and calls to the local school, etc. in an effort to find the agency have been unsuccessful.

Attachment #2 provides a map of the vicinity of this agency as well as its existing boundaries. This District was originally formed in April 1955 to provide park and

recreation and streetlight services to the small community of Parker along the California side of the Colorado River. Across the river is the larger community of Parker Arizona a farming and river-recreation center. Since the early 1990's this agency has had difficulty in providing for a board of directors for the District. This difficulty prompted the District's annexation in 1993 in an attempt to provide for a broader voter base for the District. Unfortunately, it appears this effort has not resulted in a larger interest in the governance of this agency.

Government Code Section 56871 (copy included as Attachment #3) allows for the dissolution of a district on the basis that it is a non-user of its corporate powers. This section indicates that such dissolution can be initiated by petition of three (3) registered voters within the district if one or more of the following conditions exist or had existed:

- a. There has not been a duly selected and acting quorum of the board of directors of the district.
- b. The board of directors has not furnished or provided services or facilities of substantial benefit to residents, landowners, or property within the district.
- c. The board of directors has not levied or fixed and collected any taxes, assessments, service charges, rentals, or rates or expended the proceeds of those levies or collections for district purposes.

While there is no voter petition, in the staff view, these findings support the initiation of the dissolution of Parker Dam Park and Recreation District. This is on the basis that the District has no known board of directors or staff, it has no known assets other than cash on account with the County Treasurer currently totaling \$43,608 as of July 30, 2005, and it has provided no services within its boundaries for at least 18 months. Approval of staff's recommendation will initiate the application for processing and staff will return with an official report on the dissolution, the transfer of equity and future tax proceeds, etc.

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Attachments:

1. Memorandum from Bob Wright, Property Tax Manager, dated April 18, 2005
2. Map of Parker Dam Park and Recreation District
3. Government Code Section 56871