

MEMORANDUM



RANCHO PALOS VERDES

TO: RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL

FROM: DOUG WILLMORE, CITY MANAGER *DW (CW)*

DATE: MARCH 16, 2016

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 16-11

CITY MANAGER

- Rolling Hills Reorganization No. 2013-04: On March 9th, the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) considered and approved this reorganization of territory (see attached LAFCO report). With this action, jurisdiction for a 0.18-acre portion of the unimproved right-of-way of Crenshaw Boulevard will be formally transferred from Rolling Hills to Rancho Palos Verdes. As a reminder, this fragment of public right-of-way was accidentally included within Rolling Hills' jurisdiction at the time of its incorporation in 1957, and the purpose of the reorganization of territory is to correct this error by transferring the public right-of-way to Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates. This additional territory will also fall within the boundary of the Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Parks District.
- LA-RICS: On March 14th, the City received the response to our recent comments on the Draft EIR for LA-RICS' land mobile radio (LMR) project (see attachment). LA-RICS is required to provide written responses to our comments as a part of the environmental review process before final action is taken on the EIR. The LA-RICS Board of Directors is expected to take final action to certify the EIR and approve the LMR project at an upcoming meeting, possibly later this spring.
- Rancho Palos Verdes Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP): Staff is in the process of developing a COOP for departments in the City of Rancho Palos Verdes. The Plan is designed to be a major component used to ensure the continuity of critical and postponed functions and governance under all circumstances. Estimated time of plan completion is six (6) months. In brief, the COOP:
 - ✓ Delineates Critical and Postponed Functions and Activities;
 - ✓ Delegates Authority;
 - ✓ Establishes Orders of Succession;
 - ✓ Identifies Vital Records, Files, Databases, Systems, and Equipment;
 - ✓ Identifies Requirements for Interoperable Communications;
 - ✓ Identifies Alternate Locations;
 - ✓ Identifies COOP Maintenance Requirements and Responsibilities;
 - ✓ Outlines Tests, Training, and Exercises for COOP Capabilities; and
 - ✓ Contains Operational Checklists.

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- Recruitment for City Advisory Board: Staff is currently conducting a recruitment to fill a special vacancy on the Emergency Preparedness Committee. Please see the attached Press Release regarding the recruitment. The Press Release has been sent to the Palos Verdes Peninsula News, Daily Breeze, and Los Angeles Times, and posted on the website, ListServe, Access Reader Board on Channel 35 and RPV TV Ch 33; as well as the City's Facebook site. Notices were posted in various locations throughout the City. The deadline for applications to be filed in the City Clerk's Office is by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 15, 2016. Staff has tentatively reserved the 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. time frame prior to the May 3, 2016 regularly scheduled meeting so that Council can conduct interviews of the applicants.

Attachments

- March 9th LAFCO Report – Page 20
- LA-RICS Response to Comments – Page 43
- EPC Recruitment Press Release – Page 48

FINANCE

- 2015 Employee Compensation Report: Each year the City contracts with the audit firm Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP (VTD) to review the annual employee compensation report prior to submitting it to the State Controller. VTD has completed the agreed-upon procedures for the 2015 employee compensation report last week. The completed report will be presented to the Council for approval on April 5th. Once approved, the report will be submitted to the State Controller as well as published on the City website for public and employee review.

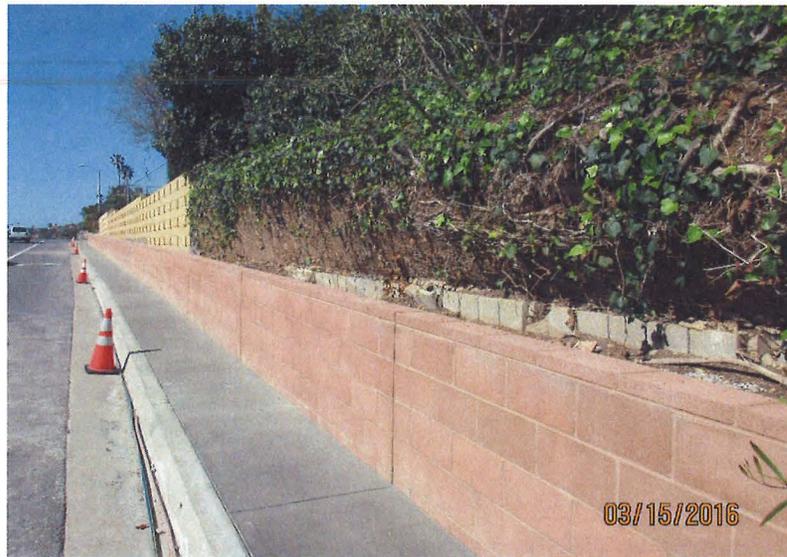
PUBLIC WORKS

- Maintenance: Superintendent responded to a report of an inoperative grinder pump at 36 Cinnamon on Sunday, March 6th. A bad contactor was found and was replaced by Multi-W. Several windy thunder storms resulted in downed trees on March 7th and 11th. Maintenance personnel, in cooperation with WCA and SCE cleared the trees and restored power. A water efficient/ADA compliant toilet was installed in the R&P restroom. This was the last of 4 toilets to be replaced at City Hall in an effort to improve water conservation. One waterless urinal installation is pending. City Maintenance personnel attended a half day Confined Space Entry training held in the City of Paramount. Maintenance personnel and Vendors provided support for the Whale of a Day event.
- ADA Access and Sidewalk Improvements on PVDW: This project is located on PVDW between Hawthorne Blvd and Rue Beaupre. The work includes installation of a new sidewalk, new retaining wall and new bus shelter. Work this week included constructing the new sidewalk and installing backfill behind the retaining wall.

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- Grayslake Road Drainage Improvements: This Project is located at the end of the Grayslake Road cul-de-sac. The scope includes installing new storm drain structures. This week's work included placement of the final concrete pipe and installation of gabion structures near the storm drain outlet



- Whale of a Day (WOAD): Public Works had an Environmental programs booth, and a second booth that was a joint Traffic Safety Committee (TSC) and Infrastructure Management Advisory Committee (IMAC) booth. Over 400 visitors came to the booths. Quizzes were prepared for different age groups and prizes handed out. Public outreach material included storm water pollution prevention, recycling, hazardous waste material disposal, etc. Public Works thanks the TSC and IMAC committee members who volunteered and assisted at the TSC/IMAC booth.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Green Hills Cemetery: On March 14, 2016, Green Hills submitted plans showing ground burials around the Inspiration Slope Mausoleum building. No rooftop burial plots are proposed on the Inspiration Slope Mausoleum building at this time. Planning Division found these plans to be in substantial compliance with the Master Plan and consistent with the grades shown in the 2013 approved plans, and therefore, administratively approved the ground burials in this area. The approved plans will be available to view on the City's website by the end of the week (<http://www.rpvca.gov/376/Green-Hills-Master-Plan>).
- Helicopter Noise: Recently, the City received the attached letter from the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition (LAAHNC) requesting that the City support their petition to the FAA to establish Special Federal Aviation Regulations (SFARs) to mitigate helicopter noise impacts and related safety issues. Specifically, the petition requires 1) helicopters to fly at minimum of 2,000' above ground level, with exceptions; 2) media helicopters to hover/orbit in one location for 5 minutes or less in any one-hour period, and tour helicopters 3 minutes or less, with exceptions; 3) media helicopters to plan for pooling coverage during planned and unplanned incidents; and 4) helicopters flying along the coastline to be at least ½ mile offshore to reduced onshore noise impacts. Helicopter noise in the City has been a concern to residents for many years. Voluntary measures by helicopter pilots to avoid noise sensitive areas have been ineffective. Thus, the proposed mitigation measures would benefit the residents by minimizing helicopter noise impacts, thereby improving the quality of life for the community. Currently, the FAA is taking public comments as part of its consideration of whether to consider the proposed petition. Unless there is a strong show of support from the impacted communities, the FAA may be reluctant to adopt any new helicopter regulations. Should the City Council agree to support LAAHNC's petition to regulate

helicopter noise, Staff intends to submit the attached draft letter with the Mayor's signature to the FAA.

- Coastal Permit Public Hearing for ALPR Camera System: This morning, a public hearing was held with the City's Coastal Hearings Officer regarding the City's request for a Coastal Permit (ZON2016-00065) in order to install two sets of Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) cameras along Palos Verdes Drive West at Lunada Vista. The City's Coastal Hearings Officer accepted Staff's recommendation by approving the Coastal Permit as conditioned. The City will observe a 15-day appeal period (see Notice of Decision), as well as a Coastal Commission 10-day appeal period of the Final Notice of Decision, as the project site is located within an appealable area of the City's Coastal Specific Plan.
- Peafowl Trapping Program Update: Last month it was reported that the City stopped trapping because it reached the cap of 150 birds. Pursuant to the Council-adopted Peafowl Management Plan, in order to determine whether trapping should resume for 2016, the City's trapper, Mike Maxcy, will conduct a census survey during the first two weeks in April to assess the current peafowl population within the five surveyed neighborhoods. In an effort to ascertain an accurate peafowl count, the City will be asking the residents within the five surveyed neighborhoods to identify the tree locations where the birds roost overnight. This is because the counts will occur early in the morning or evening while the birds are roosting. Based on the outcome of the census survey, Staff will present a report to the City Council in May seeking direction on whether to proceed with trapping. If the Council directs Staff to continue trapping, pursuant to the Peafowl Management Plan, trapping will resume on July 15th after the nesting/hatching season.
- Engineering Fraud: Earlier this year, the City sent letters to four residents suspected of having been victims of an engineering fraud case where certain information relied upon to secure building permits and construction approval (Plans and Structural Calculations), may not have been prepared by a licensed Engineer or Architect. In light of this information, the City is to consider the validity of the building permits issued for these properties. In response to the City's letters, one of these cases was resolved because the City found that the building permit issued by the City for this project was based on properly engineered plans and structural calculations. At this time, staff continues to pursue future meetings with the remaining property owners to resolve this matter.
- PC Meeting: The Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission scheduled for Tuesday, March 22, 2016 has been cancelled since there were no items scheduled for this agenda. The next Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at Fred Hesse Community Park.
- Applications of Note: Attached is a table with a summary of the Applications of Note that were submitted to the department between Wednesday, March 9, 2016 and Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

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- Notice of Decision for the ALPR Coastal Permit (ZON2016-00065) – Page 55
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RECREATION & PARKS

- Whale of a Day Success Was No Fluke: Last Saturday's 32nd annual Whale of a Day event at PVIC was a great success, drawing over 3,000 attendees. Visitors were delighted with the beautiful weather, and they enjoyed the variety of entertainers, Coast Guard activities, educational opportunities, and fun activities for youngsters! Over 32 local organizations shared educational and environmental information with event participants. Well-planned coordination of vendors, crafts, transportation, games, organizations, and hourly performances kept the event running smoothly, with stage entertainment ranging from clog dancers to surf music! Special thanks to all the Los Serenos docents and volunteers for all their pre-planning efforts and their significant contribution to the day's events. The City also thanks Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe for providing complimentary shuttle busses, EDCO for sponsoring the kid's inflatable fun, and to Terranea Resort for use of their golf cart to provide an extra lift at the event for elderly and handicapped visitors. Over 30 whales were spotted during the event, making it truly a whale of a day!



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- Free Yoga in the Park: Two free yoga classes were offered to the public this week. Eleven people participated in the Monday noon class at the Civic Center location and eight people attended the Tuesday 8:30 AM Hesse Park class.
- Women's Paddle Tennis Tournament: This Saturday, March 19th, the Department is hosting its first women's paddle tennis tournament for beginner and B level players. Several teams will be competing for the 1st Place and 2nd Place trophies.
- Volunteer Day at Abalone Cove: The Department is hosting a six-hour volunteer event at Abalone Cove this Saturday, March 19th. Participants will assist with trail improvements, weed/invasive plant removal and park beautification.
- Hesse Park: The facilities are rented this week for fifteen indoor recreation classes, two outdoor recreation classes, five non-profit meetings, and two Peninsula Seniors activities.
- Ladera Linda Park: The facilities are rented this week for four indoor recreation classes and an RPV community association meeting.
- PVIC and Docents: This week, Los Serenos docents will lead a hike in Forrestal Reserve, three museum tours, and two hikes to the tide pools. PVIC staff will host Little Fish Tales by the Sea on Thursday morning. This free hour of story time fun is an opportunity for parents and youngsters to share stories, songs and craft making fun.
- Ryan Park: The facilities are rented this week for three indoor recreation classes, four outdoor recreation classes, and six youth sports league practices.
- REACH Therapeutic Recreation Program: On Monday night, REACH participants prepared and dined on chicken strips and salad, followed by a lively evening of Bingo. On Saturday, REACH will enjoy breakfast out followed by a day of Bocce.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION RECEIVED (See Attachments)

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March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	2	3	4	5 8:30 am—3:00 pm—Toyon Trail Volunteer Days @ Portuguese Bend Reserve
6	7	8 7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park	9	10 5:30—9:30 pm—Salute to Business @ Trump (Brooks/Duhovic/Willmore) 6:00 pm—IMAC Meeting @ Hesse Park	11	12 8:15 am—Hike With Councilman Campbell—Families Welcome Contact b.camp@cox.net for each month starting location 10:00 am—4:00 pm—Whale of a Day @ PVIC
13 10:00 am— 12:00 pm— PVIC Native Plant Volunteer Event	14	15 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	16 12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Dyda) 1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Dyda)	17 7:00 pm—Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting—City Hall Community Room	18	19 8:00 am—Women's Paddle Tennis Tournament @ Ladera Linda Park 12:00 pm—3:00 pm—Abalone Cove Shoreline Park Volunteer Day
20	21	22 7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park— CANCELLED	23 8:00 am—9:00 am—Peninsula Regional Law Enforcement Meeting @ RHE (Dyda/Brooks/Yap)	24	25 7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Marie Calendars (Dyda/Duhovic)	26 10:00 am—Egg Hunt Eggstravaanza @ Ladera Linda
27	28 7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Committee @ City Hall Community Room	29	30	31		

April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9:30 am—11:00 am— Composting Workshop @ Hesse Park Fireside Room
3	4	5 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	6	7	8	9 8:15 am—Hike With Councilman Campbell—Families Welcome Contact b.camp@cox.net for each month starting location
10	11	12 7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park	13	14 6:00 pm—IMAC Meeting @ Hesse Park	15	16 10:00 am—12:00 pm—PVIC Native Plant Volunteer Event 11:00 am—1:00 pm - Meet the Goats @ PVIC
17	18	19 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	20 12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Dyda) 1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Dyda) 3:00 pm—6:00 pm—Earth Day @ The Promenade 6:00 pm—Preserve Public Forums @ City Hall Community Room	21 6:00 pm—PV Transit Authority @ RHE (Brooks) 7:00 pm—Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting—City Hall Community Room	22	23 8:00 am—11:00 am—Paper Shredding Event @ Civic Center Parking Lot
24	25 7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Committee @ City Hall Community Room	26 7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park	27	28 4:00 pm—5:00 pm—PV Transit Authority Meeting @ RHE City Hall	29 7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Marie Calendars (Dyda/Misetich)	30

May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park	11	12 6:00 pm—IMAC Meeting @ Hesse Park	13	14 8:15 am—Hike With Councilman Campbell—Families Welcome Contact b.camp@cox.net for each month starting location 9:00 am—3:00 pm—HHW/E-Waste Roundup @ Civic Center
15	16	17 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	18 12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Dyda) 1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Dyda)	19 8:00 am—Regional Law Committee Meeting @ RH City Hall (Brooks/Yap) 5:30—7:30 pm—Pet Licensing, Vaccination & Microchip Clinic @ Hesse Park 7:00 pm—Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting @ City Hall Community Room	20	21 10:00 am—12:00 pm—PVTC Native Plant Volunteer Event
22	23 7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Committee @ City Hall Community Room	24 7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park	25	26	27 7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Marie Calendars (Dyda/Campbell)	28
29	30 Memorial Day Holiday—City Hall Closed	31				

TENTATIVE AGENDAS*

*This list is a tool used by the City to plan and coordinate Council agendas. As a working document, items on this list are subject to frequent changes.

Note: Time Estimates include 30 minutes for the first section of the agenda (Mayor's Announcements, etc. through the Consent Calendar) and 15 minutes for the last section (Future Agenda Items through Adjournment).

April 5, 2016 – (Time Est. – 3 hrs 40 mins)

Closed Session: Existing Litigation; Initiation of Litigation; Potential Litigation; City Manager Performance Review

Ceremonial: Presentation of City Tile

Mayor's Announcements: Introduction of New Lomita Station Sheriff's Captain; Earth Month Recycling Activities; Meet the Goats Event

City Manager Report: Healthy RPV Program

Consent

Border Issues Status Report

Consider Award Crossing Guard Implementation at 3 Locations

Consider MOU-Stormwater Monitoring Program Consider Award of Prof Serv Agmt.

Consider Approval of Resolution to Apply for Beverage Container Recycling Grant

Consider Award of Design Contract for Miraleste Dr. Rehab. Project

Consider Receive and File of an Update on Green Hills Memorial Park

Regular Business

PVPLC Management Agreement regarding Naming Opportunities (30 mins)

Consideration of Proposal from Council Subcommittee for Storm Drain User Fee (90 mins)

Public Safety Action Plan (40 mins)

Employee Comp. and Benefits Analysis--Agreed-Upon Procedures Report (15 mins)

April 11, 2016 (Monday) – Adj. Regular Mtg. – Budget Workshop (Time Est. – 3 hrs) - 6:00-9:00 P.M. – Location: To be determined

April 19, 2016 – (Time Est. – 3 hrs 30 mins)

Closed Session: City Attorney Performance Review

Mayor's Announcements: Earth Month Recycling Activities

City Manager Report: Earth Fair Participation

Consent

RPVtv Contractor Contract Amendments

Consider Purchase of Server Cluster Equipment
Consider NOC for Residential Street Rehabilitation

Public Hearings

Appeal Fee Waiver for Wireless Telecommunications Facilities (20 mins)

Regular Business

Offshore Fireworks Display near Trump - July 2016 Public/Private Partnership (15 mins)
Intro. Ordinance-Tree Trimming of City Owned Trees & Trees in the Right-of-Way (30 mins)
Preserve Sign Program - Grant Funded (20 mins)
Consider Adoption of RPV Overhead Utilities Conversion Plan (Rule 20A or 20B) (30 mins)
Storm Drain Cover at End of Alta Mira Canyon Culvert (30 mins)
Consider Contract with Tyler to Purchase & Install Financial System Software (20 mins)

Study Session:

May 3, 2016 – (Time Est. – 2 hrs 55 mins)

6:00 P.M. - Adj. Reg. Mtg. – Interviews for Emer. Prep. Committee (Tentative)

Closed Session:

Mayor’s Announcements: Presentation to Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe; Building Safety Month

City Manager Report:

Consent

Adoption of Ordinance - Tree Trimming
Citywide Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District – Initiate Proceedings
Consider Award of Construction Contract for PVDE Guard Rail Project
Award of Design Contract for Lower Hesse Park
Consider Award of Construction Contract for Hawthorne Blvd. Pedestrian Linkage Project

Public Hearings

Special Event Ordinance (20 mins)

Regular Business

Records Retention and Destruction Schedules (20 mins)
Arterial Walls and Fences Update (45 mins)
Marilyn Ryan Park Parking Lot (30 mins)
Consider Approval of Portuguese Bend Landslide Mgmt. Strategic Planning Concept Contract (15 mins)

May 17, 2016 – (Time Est. – 1 hr 25 mins)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor’s Announcements: Public Works Week

City Manager Report:

Consent

Consider Award of Contract – Street Sweeping
Consider Approval of Three On-Call Services Agmts.
Adoption of Special Events Ordinance

Public Hearings

Regular Business

Consider Award of Consultant Contract - Ladera Linda Master Plan (20 mins)
Updated Labor Negotiation Policies (20 mins)

Study Session:

June 8, 2016 (Wednesday) Adj. Reg. Meeting – (Time Est. – 3 hrs 10 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Border Issues Status Report
Consider Award of On-Call Contracts
Consider Award of Prof. Serv. Contract for Implementation of AB 939 Program
Consider Award of Contract for CDBG Administrative Services
Consider Award of Contract for Fuel Modification with Goats
Consider Award of Contract for Security Services
Consider Award of Contract for Cleaning Services
Consider Award of Contract for Streets and ROW Maintenance
Consider Award of Contract for Cleaning Services
Consider Award of Contract to LA Conservation Corps for At-Risk Youth
Consider Award of Contract for Parks and Trails Landscape Maintenance
Consider Award of Contract for Public Works Inspection Services
Consider Award of Contract for Traffic Signal Maintenance
Consider Award of Contract for Tree Trimming Services
Consider Award of Contract for NPDES Consulting Services

Public Hearings

Consider Residential Rate Adjustment Request for EDCO Disposal Corporation (10 mins)
Citywide Landscape and Lighting Maint. District (10 mins)
Draft FY16-17 Budget (1 hr)
Abalone Cove Sewer Fee (20 mins)
Valley View Road Public Right of Way Vacation Request (15 mins)

Regular Business

Amendment to Sheriff's Agreement (30 mins)

June 21, 2016 – (Time Est. – 1 hr 5 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements: 4th of July Celebration

City Manager Report:

Consent

Public Hearings

Adoption of FY16-17 Budget (20 mins)

Regular Business

Study Session:

July 5, 2016 – (Time Est. –)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements: Parks and Recreation Month

City Manager Report: 4th of July Report

Consent

Public Hearings

Regular Business

July 19, 2016 – (Time Est. –)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Public Hearings

Regular Business

Study Session:

Future Agenda Items (Identified at Council Mtgs & pending receipt of memo from Councilmember)

April 21, 2015 – City Partnership with traditional non-profit organizations in a non-monetary way (Campbell)

June 2, 2015 – Public/private partnership regarding neighborhood beautification projects (Campbell)

July 21, 2015 – Expansion of resident parking at Abalone Cove after evaluation of Del Cerro Parking Plan (Campbell)

October 20, 2015 -- Review Percentage of Allowable Hardscape at Residential Properties (Duhovic); AirBnB Accommodations in the City (Duhovic)

November 17, 2015 – Social Media Policy (Brooks)

January 5, 2016 & February 2, 2016 – Review of Travel Policies & Expense Reimbursement; Travel to Conferences on City Business with the City Manager to Report to Council after the Event (Campbell)

February 2, 2016 – Council Involvement in an Advise and Consent Role regarding the Hiring of Senior Management Staff (Campbell); Council's Use of the City Email Server (Brooks); Council's Use of Cell Phones Dedicated for City Business (Campbell)

February 16, 2016 - Future Agenda Items and Study Session Process (Dyda); Modification to the Study Session Procedure regarding Staff Driven Issues (Duhovic)

March 15, 2016 – Renaming Shoreline Park (Duhovic); Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline Report (Misetich)

Future Agenda Items Agendized or Otherwise Being Addressed

March 3, 2015 – Annexation of the Navy Fuel Depot property into the City to utilize the space as open space area into perpetuity (Misetich) [City Attorney to research]

June 30, 2015 – Skate Park (Campbell) [Staff is working with Skatepark PV proponents on a long-term plan]

July 21, 2015 – Unfunded Pension Liability with CalPERS (Campbell) [Staff addressing during budget]

January 5, 2016 – Joint Meeting of City Council/Planning Commission (Brooks) [Staff to Address after PC appointments made]

February 16, 2016 - Helicopter Noise Issues (Brooks) [Staff to research and return with an item to Council]; Modification to a Process to Remedy Action of Repeat Offenders/Violators (Duhovic) [Staff to research and return to Council]; Standing Report regarding Green Hills Memorial Park Issues (Duhovic) [Staff to address]

March 1, 2016 - Peafowl Census (Brooks) [Staff to return to Council with information in Spring]; Use of Late Model Cars with Paper License Plates – Probable Cause (Duhovic) [To work with City Attorney]; Rancho LPG Relocation (Duhovic) [City Attorney preparing Closed Session Report]

March 15, 2016 - Storm Drain Cover at End of Alta Mira Canyon Culvert (Brooks) [Agendized for April 19, 2016]; Marilyn Ryan Park Parking Lot (Duhovic) [Agendized for May 3, 2016]

PVpTv Cox 35 / FIOS 39 Programming Schedule Guide							
PVpTv Schedule - 03/20/16 - 03/26/16							
	Sunday 03/20	Monday 03/21	Tuesday 03/22	Wednesday 03/23	Thursday 03/24	Friday 03/25	Saturday 03/26
6:00 AM - 6:30 AM	PVpTv Community Calendar - Reader Board	PVpTv Community Calendar - Reader Board	PVpTv Community Calendar - Reader Board	PVpTv Community Calendar - Reader Board			
6:30 AM - 7:00 AM	This day in History- Reader Board	This day in History- Reader Board	This day in History- Reader Board	This day in History- Reader Board			
7:00 AM - 7:30 AM					Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016	Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016	Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016
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12:00 PM -12:30PM					Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016	Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016	
12:30 PM - 1:00PM							
1:00 PM - 1:30PM	RPV City Council Meeting, March 15th, 2016						
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3:00 PM - 3:30PM		Palos Verdes Library Meeting					
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6:00 PM - 6:30PM		PVP Coordinating Council					
6:30 PM - 7:00PM							
7:00 PM - 7:30PM	PVpTv Community Calendar - Reader Board	PV School District	LIVE - Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016	RHE City Council Meeting - 2nd and 4th week	PVE City Council Meeting 2nd and 4th week	Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016	Planning Commission Meeting, March 22nd, 2016
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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT- LOMITA STATION
REPORTED CRIMES & ARRESTS BETWEEN 3/6/16 - 3/12/16**

LOMITA:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	16-00943	1714	3/2/2016-3/9/2016	1400-0900	1900 BLK PCH	NO SIGNS OF FORCED ENTRY	STEREO	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	16-00903	1711	3/6/2016	1130	2000 BLK 248TH ST	BACK WALL REMOVED AND INNER DRYWALL BROKEN	UNK AT TIME OF REPORT	SUSP: MW/30-40/509-600/150-180/WRG BLK BB CAP WITH WHI LETTERING/BLK SHIRT/PLAID SHORTS
ROBBERY	16-00915	1714	3/6/2016	1930	NARBONNE AV / PCH	N/A	ID, WALLET CONTAINING MISC PAPERS, CELLPHONE, PENS	S1: MW/45-55/600/180-190/LEAN BUILD/GRY HAIR SHAVED ON SIDES LIKE A MOHAWK/RED OR AUBURN MOUSTACHE/GRY FACIAL HAIR AND S2: MH/30's/508/160/DARK COMPLEXION/CURLY SHORT BLK HAIR
ATTEMPT GTA, BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	16-00936	1712	3/8/2016-3/9/2016	1900-0530	2000 BLK 250TH ST	DRIVER'S SIDE DOOR KEYHOLE PUNCHED	BAG CONTAINING MISC PERSONAL ITEMS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT	16-00965	1711	3/11/2016	0700-1200	2000 BLK 248TH ST	N/A	VEH EMBLEMS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT	16-00966	1711	3/11/2016	1200	2000 BLK 248TH ST	N/A	VEH BODY SKIRT MOUNTING HOLE COVERS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON	16-00984	1714	3/12/2016	2300-2315	1800 BLK PCH	N/A	N/A	SUSPECT1: MH/30-34/510/250, SUSPECT2: MH/20-25/508/225, AND SUSPECT3: MH/30-35/510/225-250 SHOT AT 2 VICTIM'S.
ARRESTS: DRUGS-3, RESIST PO-1, VANDALISM-1, WARRANT-5								

RANCHO PALOS VERDES:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	16-00907	1745	2/28/2016-3/6/2016	1800-1600	28200 BLK PV DR EAST	LOCKS CUT TO GARAGE DOOR	TOOLBOX, TOOLS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	16-00914	1746	3/7/2016	1330-1430	28900 BLK WESTERN AV	DRIVER'S SIDE WINDOW SMASHED	PURSE, WALLET, CDL, U.S. CURRENCY	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	16-00938	1746	3/7/2016	0700-2300	2000 BLK SUMMERLAND ST	N/A	1961 GRN AUSTIN-HEALY	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN. POSSIBLE BUSINESS DISPUTE.
GRAND THEFT	16-00954	1733	3/8/2016-3/10/2016	1600-1100	5400 BLK CREST RD	UNK	GENERATOR	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT	16-00955	1746	3/9/2016	1330-1337	1900 BLK CRESTWOOD ST	N/A	CELLPHONE	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	16-00987	1744	3/12/2016-3/13/2016	2100-0200	6400 BLK BRAMANTE PLAZA	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	U.S. CURRENCY, SUNGLASSES, READING GLASSES, MISC CREDIT CARDS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ARRESTS: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE-1, DRUGS-1, SUSPENDED LICENSE-1, WARRANTS-2								

ROLLING HILLS:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
NO CRIMES DURING THIS TIME								
ARRESTS: WARRANT-1								

ROLLING HILLS ESTATES:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
NO CRIMES DURING THIS TIME								
ARRESTS: SUSPENDED LICENSE-1, UNLICENSED DRIVER-1								

SAN PEDRO:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (BUSINESS)	16-00974	1750	3/12/2016	0510	1300 BLK W 6TH ST	SMASHED GLASS AND REMOVED DRYWALL	MISC MEDICATIONS	SUSP: MB/40-50's/WRG A HOODIE ZIP-UP SWEATER/GLOVES/LOAFER STYLE SHOES CARRYING A WHI TRASH BAG.
NO ARRESTS DURING THIS TIME								

PVP:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
NO CRIMES DURING THIS TIME								
ARRESTS: ID THEFT-1								

Staff Report

March 9, 2016

Agenda Item No. 7.b.

**Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills
(Amendments to the City of Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, and Ridgcrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOT's;
Detachment of Parcel 1 and 2 from the City of Rolling Hills;
Annexation of Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and
Ridgcrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District and
Parcel 2 to the City of Rolling Hills Estates)**

PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

Size of Affected Territory:	.54± acres
Inhabited/Uninhabited:	Uninhabited
Applicant:	City of Rolling Hills
Resolution or Petition:	April 22, 2013
Application Filed with LAFCO:	June 26, 2013
Location:	The affected territory is located at the intersection of Crenshaw Blvd and Silver Spur Rd.
City/County:	City of Rolling Hills
Affected Territory:	The affected territory consists of two small right-of way parcels that contain sidewalk and open space. The topography is hilly.
Surrounding Territory:	Surrounding the affected territory are commercial and residential uses.
Landowner(s):	Parcel 1 and 2 are currently owned by the City of Rolling Hills. Ownership of Parcel 1 will be transferred to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Parcel 2 will be transferred to the City of Rolling Hills Estates upon completion of the reorganization.
Registered Voters:	0 registered voters as of June 26, 2013

- Purpose/Background:** The City of Rolling Hills states that the reorganization is necessary to “clean up” public right-of-way boundary issues by annexing them to the neighboring jurisdictions that maintain them. Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 are public right-of-way parcels currently within the City of Rolling Hills. The reorganization would detach both parcels from Rolling Hills and annex Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and annex Parcel 2 to Rolling Hills Estates. As a result of the reorganization, Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates would have full responsibility for the public right-of way of Crenshaw Blvd. that they each currently maintain.
- Jurisdictional and Related Jurisdictional Changes:** The jurisdictional and related jurisdictional changes as a result of this reorganization include amendments to the City of Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOI’s; Detachment of Parcel 1 and 2 from the City of Rolling Hills; Annexation of Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District and Parcel 2 to the City of Rolling Hills Estates.
- Within SOI:** The affected territory is within the City of Rolling Hills SOI. A concurrent SOI amendment is being processed with this application, and this amendment will exclude the affected territory from the City of Rolling Hills SOI. The affected territory is outside the City of Rancho Palos Verdes SOI, City of Rolling Hills SOI, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOI. A concurrent SOI amendment is being processed with this application, and this amendment will include Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes SOI and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOI and include Parcel 2 to the City of Rolling Hills Estates SOI.
- Waiver of Notice/Hearing/Protest:** Yes on the basis of the reorganization. Although the Commission may make a determination without public notice and hearing and waive protest proceedings, relative to the proposed reorganization, as described below, a noticed public hearing is required for the proposed SOI amendments, pursuant to Government Code Section 56427.

CEQA Clearance: The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15320 because it consists of a reorganization of local government agencies where the changes do not change the geographical area in which previously existing powers are exercised.

Additional Information: None

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 56668:

a. *Population:*

The population density issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

The estimated future population is 0 residents.

The affected territory is .54+/- acres. The existing land use is public right-of-way.

The assessed valuation is \$0 as of June 26, 2013.

The per capita assessed valuation issue does not apply because the affected territory is unpopulated.

On January 5, 2016, the County adopted a negotiated tax exchange resolution; all other involved public agencies have adopted a property tax transfer resolution.

The topography of the affected territory is hilly.

There are no natural boundaries. There are no drainage basins on or near the affected territory.

The affected territory is surrounded by residential and commercial uses.

b. *Governmental Services and Controls:*

The affected territory includes public right-of way which requires organized governmental services. Because the affected territory is a public right-of-way, many services are not provided directly to Parcel 1 and 2, but are listed to show the underlying responsibility of the public right-of-way that will be annexed to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and City of Rolling Hills Estates.

The present cost and adequacy of government services and controls in the area are acceptable. The probable effect of the proposed action and of alternative courses of action on the cost and adequacy of services and controls in the affected territory and adjacent areas is minimal.

Parcel 1 detach from the City of Rolling Hills annex to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes		
	Current Service Provider	Proposed Service Provider
Animal Control	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Fire and Emergency Medical	Consolidated Fire Protection District	Same
Flood Control	County	Same

Library	Palos Verdes Library District	Same
Mosquito & Vector Control	Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District	Same
Park and Recreation	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Planning	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Police	County Sherriff	Same
Road Maintenance	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Solid Waste	City of Rolling Hills (private hauler)	City of Rancho Palos Verdes (private hauler)
Street Lighting	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Water	Cal Water	Same
Wastewater	Sanitation District No. 5	Same

Parcel "2"		
detach from the City of Rolling Hills annex to the City of Rolling Hills Estates		
	Current Service Provider	Proposed Service Provider
Animal Control	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rolling Hills Estates
Fire and Emergency Medical	Consolidated Fire Protection District	Same
Flood Control	County	Same
Library	Palos Verdes Library District	Same
Mosquito & Vector Control	Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District	Same
Park and Recreation	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rolling Hills Estates
Planning	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rolling Hills Estates
Police	County Sherriff	Same
Road Maintenance	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rolling Hills Estates
Solid Waste	City of Rolling Hills (private hauler)	City of Rolling Hills Estates (private hauler)
Street Lighting	City of Rolling Hills	City of Rolling Hills Estates
Water	Cal Water	Same
Wastewater	Sanitation District No. 5	Same

The County will continue to provide flood control, fire and police service; the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County will continue to provide wastewater services; Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District will continue to provide vector control services; Palos Verdes Library District will continue to provide library services; and Cal Water will continue to provide water service to the entire reorganization area.

Upon approval of the reorganization request, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes will provide animal control, park and recreation, planning, road maintenance, and street lighting to Parcel "1".

Upon approval of the reorganization request, the City of Rolling Hills Estates will provide animal control, park and recreation, planning, road maintenance, and street lighting to Parcel "2".

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes and City of Rolling Hills Estates provide solid waste service through private haulers under contracts. Upon approval of the reorganization both cities may have to alter their contracts to include the affected territory.

c. *Proposed Action and Alternative Actions:*

The proposed action will have no effect on adjacent areas. The proposed action will have no effect on mutual social and economic interests. The proposal has no impact on the governmental structure of the County.

The only alternative action is for the current City of Rolling Hills, Rancho Palos Verdes, and Rolling Hills Estates boundaries to remain the same. The effect of alternate actions on mutual social and economic interests and on the local governmental structure of the City of Rolling Hills, Rancho Palos Verdes, and Rolling Hills Estates is minimal.

d. *Conformity with Commission Policies on Urban Development and Open Space Conversion Policies:*

There are no conformance issues because the Commission has not adopted any policies relative to providing planned, orderly, efficient patterns of urban development.

There is no prime agricultural land within or adjacent to the affected territory. The proposal conforms with the objectives in Government Code Sections 56377(a) and 56377(b).

e. *Agricultural Lands:*

There are no effects on agricultural lands, as defined. None of the land within the affected territory is currently used for the purpose of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial purposes. According to the California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, none of the land within the affected territory is subject to a Land Conservation Act (aka "Williamson Act") contract nor in a Farmland Security Zone (California Land Conservation Act 2012 Status Report).

f. *Boundaries:*

The boundaries of the affected territory have been clearly defined by the applicant, and these boundaries have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

The boundaries conform to lines of assessment or ownership, and these boundaries have been reviewed and approved by LAFCO's GIS/Mapping Technician.

The proposal does not create islands or corridors of unincorporated territory

g. Consistency with Regional Transportation Plan:

The proposal has no significant impact upon, and is therefore consistent with, the Regional Transportation Plan.

h. Consistency with Plans:

Parcel "1" is consistent with the existing City of Rancho Palos Verdes General Plan designation of public right-of-way.

Parcel "2" is consistent with the existing City of Rolling Hill Estates General Plan designation of public right-of-way.

The affected territory is not within the boundaries of any Specific Plan.

Pre-zoning was not adopted for either Parcel 1 or 2. Public right-of-way is not zoned in any of the three cities involved.

i. Sphere of Influence:

The affected territory is within the City of Rolling Hills SOI. A concurrent SOI amendment is being processed with this application, and this amendment will remove the affected territory from the City of Rolling Hills SOI. The affected territory is outside the City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOI. A concurrent SOI amendment is being processed with this application, and this amendment will add Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOI and add Parcel 2 to the City of Rolling Hills Estates SOI.

j. Comments from Public Agencies:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from public agencies or any resolutions raising objections from any affected agency.

k. Ability to Provide Services:

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates currently provide municipal services to many parcels of land. The reorganization would add approximately .54± acres to their respective service areas. Both cities have indicated that they have the ability to provide service to the affected territory once the organization is complete. Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District owns and maintains 3 vacated former right-of-way parcels along Crenshaw Blvd. The reorganization would add .18± acres to the district boundary. The additional acreage will not affect the district's ability to maintain the 3 parcels.

l. Timely Availability of Water Supplies:

There are no known issues regarding water supply or delivery.

m. Regional Housing:

The proposed reorganization has no impact on the achievement of a fair share of regional housing needs of the Cities or County.

n. Comments from Landowners, Voters, or Residents:

Staff did not receive any significant comments from landowners, voters, or residents.

o. Land Use Designations

Parcel "1" is consistent with the existing City of Rancho Palos Verdes General Plan designation of public right-of-way.

Parcel "2" is consistent with the existing City of Rolling Hill Estates General Plan designation of public right-of-way.

Parcel "1" is consistent with the existing City of Rancho Palos Verdes zoning. The City of Rancho Palos Verdes does not assign zoning designations to public right-of-ways.

Parcel "2" is consistent with the existing City of Rolling Hills Estates zoning. The City of Rolling Hills Estate does not assign zoning designations to public right-of-ways.

p. Environmental Justice:

The proposal will have no adverse effect with respect to the fair treatment of people of all races and incomes, or the location of public facilities or services.

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory. There are no DUCs within the SOIs for the City of Rolling Hills, Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, or Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CLEARANCE:

The proposal is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15320 because it consists of a reorganization of local government agencies where the changes do not change the geographical area in which previously existing powers are exercised. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.

DETERMINATIONS WITHOUT NOTICE AND HEARING, AND WAIVER OF PROTEST PROCEEDINGS:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission may make determinations upon the proposed reorganization consisting solely of both annexation and a detachment without notice and hearing and may waive protest hearings for the reasons set forth herein. The territory is uninhabited. To date, no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period referenced in Government Code Section 56662(c).

Furthermore, the proposal was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all the landowners within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposed reorganization. Based thereon, the Commission may make determinations on the proposed reorganization without notice and hearing, and the Commission may waive protest proceedings.

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENT FOR SOI AMENDMENT(S):

Although the Commission may waive the public notice, hearing, and protest relative to the proposed reorganization, as described above, a public hearing is still required for the proposed SOI amendments pursuant to Government Code Section 56427.

Therefore, the recommended actions include a public hearing on the SOI amendments and a waiver of the protest proceedings for the reorganization.

SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 56425(e):

1. Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area

The present and future planned land use is public right-of-way.

2. Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area

The affected territory is located within the City of Rolling Hills. General government services, including animal control, land use planning and regulation, law enforcement, fire protection, flood control, library, vector control, park and recreation, road maintenance, solid waste, street lighting, water, wastewater, and other services are provided by either the city, county, or a special district.

The affected territory includes public right-of-way which requires organized governmental services. The affected territory will require governmental facilities and services indefinitely.

3. Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Services:

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates currently provide municipal services to many parcels of land. The reorganization would add approximately .54± acres to their respective service areas. Both cities have indicated that they have the ability to provide service to the affected territory once the organization is complete. Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District owns and maintains 3 vacated former right-of-way parcels along Crenshaw Blvd. The reorganization would add .18± acres to the district boundary. The additional acreage will not affect the district's ability to maintain the 3 parcels.

4. *Social of Economic communities of interest*

There are no significant social or economic communities of interest within the subject territory. The proposal will have no adverse effect with respect to the fair treatment of people of all races and incomes, or the location of public facilities or services.

5. *Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities:*

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory. There are no DUCs within the SOIs for the City of Rolling Hills, Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, or Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposal as a logical and reasonable reorganization between the City of Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District which will be for the interest of landowners and/or present and/or future inhabitants within the cities or district and within the reorganization territory.

Recommended Action:

1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony on the reorganization and SOI amendments;
2. There being no further testimony, close the public hearing; and
3. Adopt the Resolution Making Determinations, including the California Environmental Quality Act determinations, Approving and Ordering Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills; amendments to the City of Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District Spheres of Influence; detachment of Parcel 1 and 2 from the City of Rolling Hills; annexation of Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District and Parcel 2 to the City of Rolling Hills Estates

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-00RMD
RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MAKING DETERMINATIONS APPROVING AND ORDERING
"REORGANIZATION NO. 2013-04 TO THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE
CITY OF ROLLING HILLS, CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES,
AND RIDGECREST RANCHOS RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT SOI'S"**

WHEREAS, the City of Rolling Hills(City) adopted a resolution of application to initiate proceedings, which was submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (Commission), pursuant to, Division 3, Title 5, of the California Government Code (commencing with section 56000, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000), for reorganization and sphere of influence amendments of territory herein described to the City of Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District, and detachment of Parcel 1 and 2 from the City of Rolling Hills, annexation of Parcel 1 to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District and Parcel 2 to the City of Rolling Hills Estates, all within the County of Los Angeles (County); and

WHEREAS, the proposed reorganization consists of approximately 0.54± acres of uninhabited territory and is assigned the following distinctive short-form designation: "Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills"; and

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries and map of the proposal are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the principal reason for the proposed reorganization, as stated by applicant, is to "clean up" public right-of-way boundary issues; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has reviewed the proposal and submitted to the Commission a written report, including his recommendations therein; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the Proposal meets all of the criteria for the Commission to make a determination without notice and hearing and waive protest proceedings entirely, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662; and

WHEREAS, even though a public hearing is not required for the Proposal, a public hearing is nevertheless required for the proposed SOI amendments, pursuant to Government Code Section 56427; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing for the proposed Sphere of Influence Amendments pursuant to Government Code Sections 56150-56160, wherein the public hearing notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Los Angeles on February 11, 2016, which is at least 21 days prior to the public hearing, and said hearing notice was also mailed to all required recipients by first-class mail on or before the date of newspaper publication; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2016, this Commission considered the Proposal and the report of Executive Officer, and heard and received all oral and written testimony, objections, and evidence which were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to hear and be heard with respect to the Sphere of Influence Amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Commission, acting in its role as a responsible agency with respect to Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills, finds that this reorganization is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15320 because it consists of a reorganization of local government agencies where the changes do not change the geographical area in which previously existing powers are exercised. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, nor other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposal records.
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission hereby finds and determines that:
 - a. The territory encompassed by the reorganization is uninhabited; and
 - b. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56658(b)(1) and 56662(c), the Executive Officer has given the required mailed notice to each affected agency of the application to initiate proceedings for the proposed reorganization, and no affected local agency has submitted a written demand for notice and hearing during the 10-day period following the notice; and

- c. The reorganization was accompanied by satisfactory proof that all owners of land within the affected territory have given their written consent to the proposal.

Based thereon, pursuant to Government Code Section 56662(a), the Commission may make determinations upon the proposed reorganization proposal without notice and hearing and may waive protest proceedings relative to the proposed reorganization.

However, with respect to the proposed SOI amendments, a public hearing is still required pursuant to Government Code Section 56427.

3. The Commission hereby amends the Spheres of Influence of City Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District so as to exclude Parcel 1 and 2 of the affected territory described in Exhibit "A" and "B" from the City of Rolling Hills SOI, include Parcel 1 of the affected territory described in Exhibit "A" and "B" within the City of Rancho Palos Verdes SOI and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District SOI, and include Parcel 2 of the affected territory described in Exhibit "A" and "B" within the City Rolling Hill Estates SOI and makes the following determinations in accordance with Government Code Section 56425:

- a. Present and Planned Land Uses in the Area

The present and future planned land use is public right-of-way.

- b. Present and Probable Need for Public Facilities and Services in the Area

The affected territory is located within the City of Rolling Hills. General government services, including animal control, land use planning and regulation, law enforcement, fire protection, flood control, library, vector control, park and recreation, road maintenance, solid waste, street lighting, water, wastewater, and other services are provided by either the city, county, or a special district. The affected territory includes public right-of-way which requires organized governmental services. The affected territory will require governmental facilities and services indefinitely.

c. Present Capacity of Public Facilities and Adequacy of Public Services that the Agency Provides or is Authorized to Provide

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates currently provide municipal services to many parcels of land. The reorganization would add approximately .54± acres to their respective service areas. Both cities have indicated that they have the ability to provide service to the affected territory once the organization is complete. Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District owns and maintains 3 vacated former right-of-way parcels along Crenshaw Blvd. The reorganization would add .18± acres to the district boundary. The additional acreage will not affect the district's ability to maintain the 3 parcels.

d. Existence of Any Social or Economic Communities of Interest

There are no significant social or economic communities of interest within the subject territory. The proposal will have no adverse effect with respect to the fair treatment of people of all races and incomes, or the location of public facilities or services.

e. Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities

There are no Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) within or adjacent to the affected territory. There are no DUCs within the SOIs for the City of Rolling Hills, Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, or Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District.

f. Determination of the Services of the Existing District

The Commission has on file written statement of the functions and classes of service of the City of Rolling Hills, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills Estates, Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District and can establish the nature, location and extent of its classes of service and that it provides water service within its boundary.

4. A description of the boundaries and map of the proposal, as approved by this Commission, are set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

5. The affected territory consists of 0.54± acres, is uninhabited, and is assigned the following short form designation:

"Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills".

6. Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills is hereby approved, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. The City of Rolling Hills agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against LAFCO and/or its agents, officers and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of LAFCO concerning this proposal or any action relating to or arising out of such approval.
- b. The effective date of the annexation shall be the date of recordation.
- c. Payment of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and State Board of Equalization fees.
- d. The territory so annexed shall be subject to the payment of such service charges, assessments or taxes as may be legally imposed by the City(.ies) and/or District.
- e. The regular County assessment roll shall be utilized by the City(.ies) and/or District.
- f. The affected territory will be taxed for any existing general indebtedness, if any, of the City(.ies) and/or District.

- g. Annexation of Parcel 1 of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Park District.
- h. Annexation of Parcel 2 of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" to the City of Rolling Hills Estates.
- i. Detachment of Parcel 1 and 2 of the affected territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" from the City of Rolling Hills.
- j. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, with respect to Parcel 1, all right, title, and interest of the City of Rolling Hills, including but not limited to, the underlying fee title or easement where owned by the City of Rolling Hills, in any and all sidewalks, trails, landscaped areas, street lights, property acquired and held for future road purposes, open space, signals, storm drains, storm drain catch basins, local sanitary sewer lines, sewer pump stations and force mains, water quality treatment basins and/or structures, and water quality treatment systems serving roadways and bridges shall vest in the City of Rancho Palos Verdes.
- k. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, with respect to Parcel 2, all right, title, and interest of the City of Rolling Hills, including but not limited to, the underlying fee title or easement where owned by the City of Rolling Hills, in any and all sidewalks, trails, landscaped areas, street lights, property acquired and held for future road purposes, open space, signals, storm drains, storm drain

catch basins, local sanitary sewer lines, sewer pump stations and force mains, water quality treatment basins and/or structures, and water quality treatment systems serving roadways and bridges shall vest in the City Rolling Hills Estates.

- l. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, with respect to Parcel 1, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes shall be the owner of, and responsible for, the operation, maintenance, and repair of all of the following property owned by the City of Rolling Hills: public roads, adjacent slopes appurtenant to the roads, street lights, traffic signals, mitigation sites that have not been accepted by regulatory agencies but exist or are located in public right-of-way and were constructed or installed as part of a road construction project within the annexed area, storm drains and storm drain catch basins within street right-of-way and appurtenant slopes, medians and adjacent property.
- m. Upon the effective date of the reorganization, with respect to Parcel 2, the City of Rolling Hills Estates shall be the owner of, and responsible for, the operation, maintenance, and repair of all of the following property owned by the City of Rolling Hills: public roads, adjacent slopes appurtenant to the roads, street lights, traffic signals, mitigation sites that have not been accepted by regulatory agencies but exist or are located in public right-of-way and were constructed or installed as part of a road construction project within the annexed area, storm drains and storm drain catch basins within street right-of-way and appurtenant slopes, medians and adjacent property.

n. Upon the effective date of the annexation, with respect to Parcel 1, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes shall do the following: (1) assume ownership and maintenance responsibilities for all drainage devices, storm drains and culverts, storm drain catch basins, appurtenant facilities (except regional Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) facilities for which LACFCD has a recorded fee or easement interest and which have been accepted into the LACFCD system), site drainage, and all master plan storm drain facilities that are within the annexation area and are currently owned, operated and maintained by the County ; (2) accept and adopt the County of Los Angeles Master Plan of Drainage (MPD), if any, which is in effect for the annexation area. Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Department (LACDPW) should be contacted to provide any MPD which may be in effect for the annexation area. Deviations from the MPD shall be submitted to the Chief Engineer of LACFCD/Director of LACDPW for review to ensure that such deviations will not result in diversions between watersheds and/or will not result in adverse impacts to LACFCD's flood control facilities; (3) administer flood zoning and Federal Emergency Management Agency floodplain regulations within the annexation area; (4) coordinate development within the annexation area that is adjacent to any existing flood control facilities for which LACFCD has a recorded easement or fee interest, by submitting maps and proposals to the Chief Engineer of LACFCD/Director of LACDPW, for review and comment.

- o. Upon the effective date of the annexation, with respect to Parcel 2, the City of Rolling Hills Estates shall do the following: (1) assume ownership and maintenance responsibilities for all drainage devices, storm drains and culverts, storm drain catch basins, appurtenant facilities (except regional Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) facilities for which LACFCD has a recorded fee or easement interest and which have been accepted into the LACFCD system), site drainage, and all master plan storm drain facilities that are within the annexation area and are currently owned, operated and maintained by the County ; (2) accept and adopt the County of Los Angeles Master Plan of Drainage (MPD), if any, which is in effect for the annexation area. Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Department (LACDPW) should be contacted to provide any MPD which may be in effect for the annexation area. Deviations from the MPD shall be submitted to the Chief Engineer of LACFCD/Director of LACDPW for review to ensure that such deviations will not result in diversions between watersheds and/or will not result in adverse impacts to LACFCD's flood control facilities; (3) administer flood zoning and Federal Emergency Management Agency floodplain regulations within the annexation area; (4) coordinate development within the annexation area that is adjacent to any existing flood control facilities for which LACFCD has a recorded easement or fee interest, by submitting maps and proposals to the Chief Engineer of LACFCD/Director of LACDPW, for review and comment.

- p. Except to the extent in conflict with "a" through "o", above, the general terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2 of Part 5, Division 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with Government Code Section 57325) shall apply to this reorganization.
7. The Commission hereby orders the uninhabited territory described in Exhibits "A" and "B" Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills.
8. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Cities and District, upon the City of Rolling Hills payment of the applicable fees required by Government Code Section 54902.5 and prepare, execute and file a certificate of completion with the appropriate public agencies, pursuant to Government Code Section 57200, *et seq.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 09th day of March 2016.

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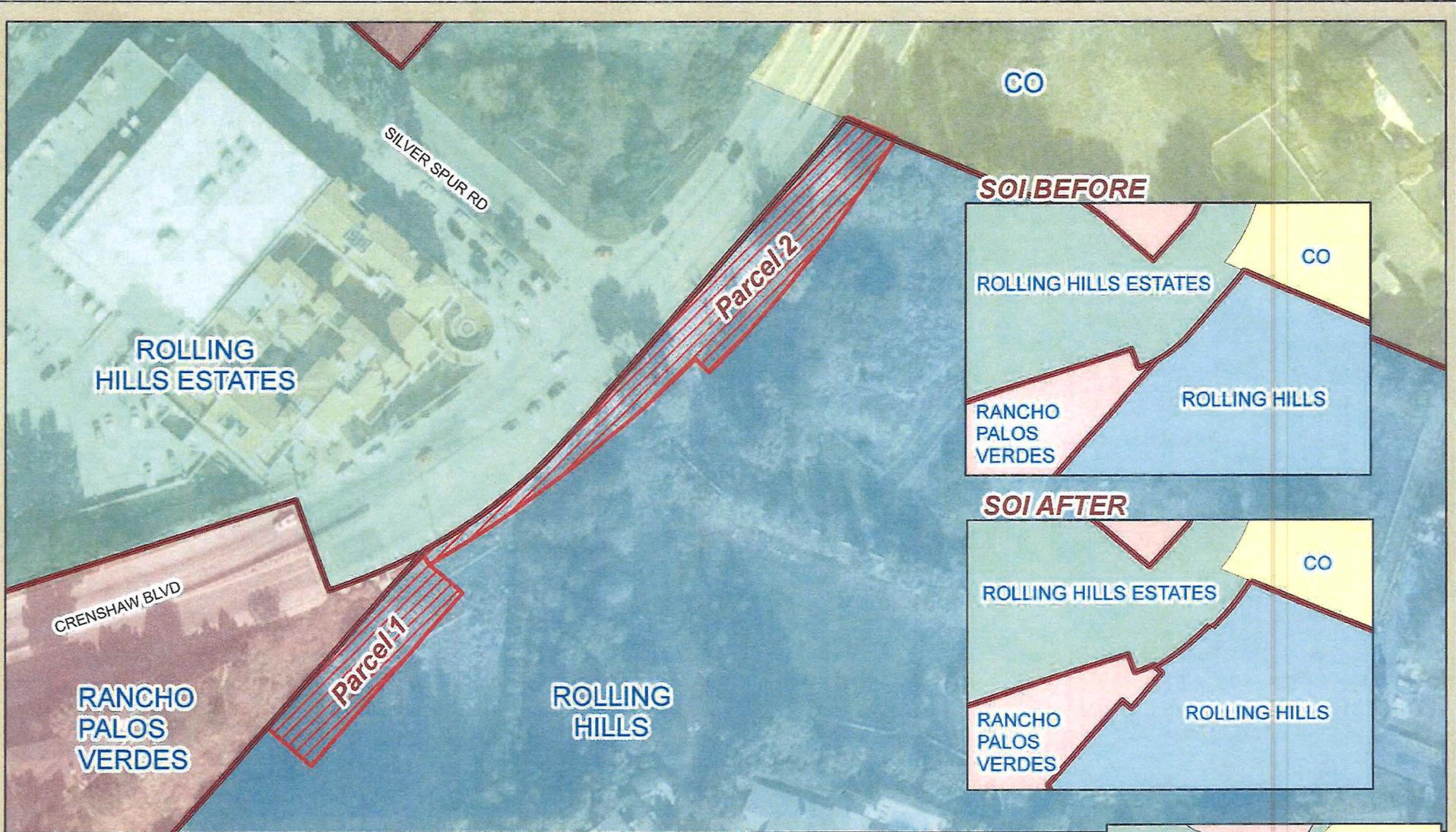
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**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

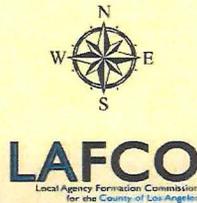
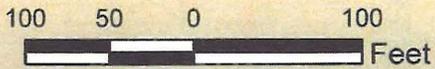
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Executive Officer**



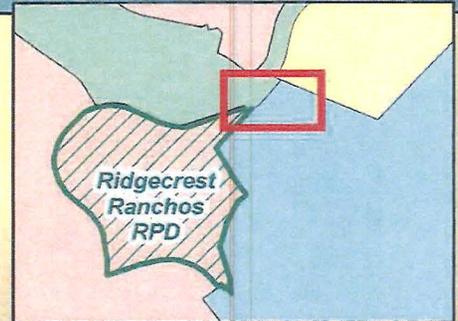
Legend

-  Reorganization 2013-04
-  City of Rancho Palos Verdes
-  City of Rolling Hills
-  City of Rolling Hills Estates
-  Ridgecrest Ranchos Rec. & Parks Dist.
-  City Sphere of Influence (SOI)

*Reorganization No. 2013-04 to the City of Rolling Hills
 Amendments to Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates,
 Rancho Palos Verdes, and Ridgecrest Ranchos
 Recreation and Parks District Spheres of Influence
 Detach Parcel 1 & 2 from Rolling Hills
 Annex Parcel 1 to Rancho Palos Verdes and
 Ridgecrest Ranchos Recreation and Parks District
 Annex Parcel 2 to Rolling Hills Estates*



March 9, 2016



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**LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY**

2525 Corporate Place, Suite 100
Monterey Park, California 91754
Telephone: (323) 881-8291
<http://www.la-rics.org>

JOHN RADELEFF
INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SENT CORRESPONDENCE BY:
Overnight Delivery

March 11, 2016

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Mr. Kit Fox, AICP
Senior Administrative Analyst
City of Rancho Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Boulevard
Rancho Palos Verdes, California 90275-5391

Dear Mr. Fox:

**RESPONSE TO COMMENT LETTER ON THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REPORT (EIR) FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (LA-RICS) JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
(AUTHORITY) LAND MOBILE RADIO (LMR) PROJECT**

The LA-RICS Authority appreciates the comments provided by the City of Rancho Palos Verdes on the Draft EIR for the proposed LMR Project. Proposed responses to these comments are provided herein in compliance with Section 15088(b) of the State California Environmental Quality (CEQA) Guidelines. All comments will be provided to the LA-RICS Authority Board prior to their consideration of the EIR for certification. The proposed time, date, and location of the hearing to consider certification of the Final EIR and approval of the proposed project will be provided on the Authority's website (www.la-rics.org).

Sincerely,

Susy Orellana-Curtiss
Administrative Deputy

Attachment



CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
ADMINISTRATION

24 February 2016

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL
DraftEIR.Hotline@la-rics.org

Nancy Yang, Project Engineer
LA-RICS
2525 Corporate Pl., Ste. 100
Monterey Park, CA 91754

**SUBJECT: Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the LA-RICS
Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System**

Dear Ms. Yang:

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes appreciates the opportunity to comment upon the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the above-mentioned project. We have reviewed the DEIR and the LMR project description, and offer the following comments:

1. In scoping comments that we submitted on 23 September 2014 (enclosed), we noted a number of issues to be addressed with respect to a proposed LMR site on Coast Guard property at Point Vicente Park/Civic Center (Location ID: PVC). We now understand that the LMR project description in the DEIR no longer includes this site. However, in recent discussions with LA-RICS Staff and contractors, it is clear that LA-RICS is still interested in an LMR site at this general location (although perhaps not on the Coast Guard property). The City remains open to discussions with LA-RICS about its interest in the PVC site. However, we also wish to go on record stating that many (if not all) of the issues previously raised regarding this site in our scoping comments will need to be addressed in any subsequent environmental review for an LMR installation at the PVC site.
2. In the same scoping comments from September 2014, we also noted issues to be addressed with respect to a proposed LMR site on Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) property at the top of San Pedro Hill (Location ID: SPC). We now understand that the LMR project description in the DEIR no longer includes this site either. However, the City respectfully suggests that the SPC site—located at the highest point on the Palos Verdes Peninsula and already developed with a large number of antennae and support structures—should be retained as an alternative site that could provide coverage to much of the Peninsula and South Bay region.

Nancy Yang
24 February 2016
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3. In September 2014, we also noted concerns regarding a proposed LMR site at the County "antenna farm" at 5741 Crestridge Road (Location ID: RHT), primarily related to aesthetics, biological resource impacts, and land use and planning. We now understand that LA-RICS has determined that the RHT site is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code §21080.25, and will not be addressed in the DEIR. Notwithstanding this determination, the City believes that the issues raised in our scoping comments (enclosed) should be addressed before this LMR installation is constructed. Furthermore, we are concerned that the public outreach efforts undertaken by LA-RICS regarding the RHT site in December 2015 were inadequate. We have recently provided LA-RICS with addresses for several homes on Mistridge Drive and contact information for the *Mesa Palos Verdes* homeowners' association, all of whom should be apprised of LA-RICS' plans for the RHT site.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment upon this important project. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (310) 544-5226 or via e-mail at kitt@rpvca.gov.

Sincerely,



Kit Fox, AICP
Senior Administrative Analyst

enclosure

cc: Mayor Ken Dyda and Rancho Palos Verdes City Council
Doug Willmore, City Manager
Gabriella Yap, Deputy City Manager
Terry Rodrigue, Interim Community Development Director
Ara Mihranian, Deputy Community Development Director

The Authority appreciates the City of Rancho Palms Verdes' comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) dated February 24, 2016. The comments will be provided to the LA-RICS Authority Board when the EIR is considered for certification.

Responses to comments are provided below.

Comment 1: In scoping comments that we submitted on 23 September 2014 (enclosed), we noted a number of issues to be addressed with respect to a proposed LMR site on Coast Guard property at Point Vicente Park/Civic Center (Location ID: PVC). We now understand that the LMR project description in the DEIR no longer includes this site. However, in recent discussions with LA-RICS Staff and contractors, it is clear that LA-RICS is still interested in an LMR site at this general location (although perhaps not on the Coast Guard property). The City remains open to discussions with LA-RICS about its interest in the PVC site. However, we also wish to go on record stating that many (if not all) of the issues previously raised regarding this site in our scoping comments will need to be addressed in any subsequent environmental review for an LMR installation at the PVC site.

Response to Comment 1: Site PVC is no longer under consideration as part of the proposed project, and no replacement site has been proposed for inclusion in the LMR system. In the event a replacement site is identified, any approval of the site would be subject to CEQA, as applicable.

Comment 2: In the same scoping comments from September 2014, we also noted issues to be addressed with respect to a proposed LMR site on Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) property at the top of San Pedro Hill (Location ID: SPC). We now understand that the LMR project description in the DEIR no longer includes this site either. However, the City respectfully suggests that the SPC site - located at the highest point on the Palos Verdes Peninsula and already developed with a large number of antennae and support structures - should be retained as an alternative site that could provide coverage to much of the Peninsula and South Bay region.

Response to Comment 2: Site SPC is no longer in consideration as part of the proposed project, and no replacement site has been proposed for inclusion in the LMR system. The Authority notes the City's support for LMR facilities at Site SPC.

Comment 3: In September 2014, we also noted concerns regarding a proposed LMR site at the County "antenna farm" at 5741 Crestridge Road (Location ID: RHT), primarily related to aesthetics, biological resource impacts, and land use and planning. We now understand that LA-RICS has determined that the RHT site is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code §21080.25, and will not be addressed in the DEIR. Notwithstanding this determination, the City believes that the issues raised in our scoping comments (enclosed) should be addressed before this LMR installation is constructed. Furthermore, we are concerned that the public outreach efforts undertaken by LA-RICS regarding the RHT site in December 2015 were inadequate. We have recently provided LA-RICS with addresses for several homes on Mistridge Drive and contact information for the *Mesa Palos Verdes* homeowners' association, all of whom should be apprised of LA-RICS' plans for the RHT site.

Response to Comment 3: As noted in the commenter's comments, Site RHT was found to be statutorily exempt from CEQA. Although statutorily exempt sites are not included in the project level analysis provided in the Draft EIR, numerous environmental criteria had to be met for a site to qualify for the statutory exemption, including criteria related to biological resources. Additionally, all of the statutorily

exempt LMR sites are considered, where appropriate, in the cumulative impact analysis (see cumulative impacts analyses provided within resource topics in Chapters 2 and 3 of the Draft EIR). Because the Site RHT is exempt from analysis in the EIR, the Authority is not required to respond to the City's scoping comments on Site RHT. However, the comments will be provided to the Authority's decision makers for their consideration in connection with the LMR project, and the Authority will continue to work with stakeholders associated with Site RHT prior to and during construction and operations of the site.



CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES
OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MARCH 14, 2016

CONTACT: CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 310 544-5217

E-MAIL: CITYCLERK@RPVCA.GOV

RECRUITMENT FOR A SPECIAL VACANCY ON THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes is currently conducting a recruitment to fill a special vacancy on the City's Emergency Preparedness Committee. This is a volunteer, non-paying position with an unexpired term of office ending in January 2019.

Emergency Preparedness Committee

The Emergency Preparedness Committee is charged with making recommendations to the City Council to help ensure that the City of Rancho Palos Verdes develops and maintains a high state of readiness to respond to emergencies and disasters.

Committee members advise the City Council on ways to develop and improve programs to communicate with and educate residents about the importance of emergency preparedness. Committee members are called upon to participate in community outreach events to encourage residents to become prepared and to participate in local volunteer disaster response organizations. Committee members are also encouraged to become trained and registered as Disaster Service Workers, and/or receive other disaster-related training and certifications. The Committee meets on a monthly basis,

typically the 3rd Thursday of the month, at 7:00 P.M. in the Community Room at City Hall, with authorization for staff to cancel unnecessary monthly meetings after conferring with the Chair.

Those interested in applying must submit an application to the City Clerk's Office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 15, 2016. To be considered for appointment, an applicant must be a resident of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes. An application for appointment can be requested from the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 30940 Hawthorne Boulevard, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275, telephone number (310) 544-5217 or downloaded from the City's website at the following web address:

<http://www.rpvca.gov/150/Advisory-Board-Recruitment>. Interviews with the City Council are anticipated to take place on May 3, 2016, prior to the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting. The City Clerk's Office will confirm the date and time of the interviews with the applicants.

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March 15, 2016

US Department of Transportation – Document Operations
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
West Building Ground Floor
Room W12-140
Washington, DC 20590

SUBJECT: COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF DOCKET NOS. FAA-2015-5041, FAA-2015-5042, FAA-2015-5043, AND FAA-2015-5044

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes is home to over 40,000 residents, many of whom are affected by the noise caused by helicopter operations. More specifically, helicopters operating too close to the coastline and at low altitudes over residential neighborhoods cause noise impacts that threaten the quality of life for our residents. The excessive and intrusive noise pollution from helicopters hovering over residential areas is open a result of media and news coverage rather than from law enforcement. Currently, the FAA currently has no relevant noise standards for helicopters.

Recently, the City has been made aware of the following Los Angeles Helicopter Noise Coalition's (LAAHNC) petitions to the FAA to establish Special Federal Aviation Regulations (SFARs) to mitigate the helicopter and related safety issues:

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| FAA-2015-5041 | Petition requiring helicopters to fly at minimum of 2,000' above ground level, with exceptions. |
| FAA-2015-5042 | Petition requiring media helicopters to hover/orbit in one location for 5 minutes or less in any one-hour period, and tour helicopters 3 minutes or less, with exceptions made in specific or emergency situations. |
| FAA-2015-5043 | Petition requiring the creation of a media pool share system to manage media helicopter operations in Los Angeles County in cases of planned and unplanned incidents. |
| FAA-2015-5044 | Petition requiring helicopters that fly along the Los Angeles County shoreline to fly at least one-half mile offshore. |

Helicopter noise in the City has been a concern to residents for many years. Voluntary measures by helicopter pilots to avoid noise sensitive areas have been ineffective. Therefore, the City Council on behalf of the residents of Rancho Palos Verdes support the LAAHNC's aforementioned petitions to regulate helicopter noise in Los Angeles County.

Sincerely,

Ken Dyda,
Mayor of City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition

Citizens seeking relief from helicopter noise – A problem for more than 40 years

LAHelicopterNoise.org February 15, 2016

President
Bob Anderson
Sherman Oaks
Homeowners Association

Vice President
Richard Root
Citizens for Quiet
Helicopters (Torrance)

Treasurer
Dave Garfinkle
Tarzana Property Owners
Association

George Abrahams
Beachwood Canyon
Neighborhood Association

John Bailey
Southeast Torrance
Homeowners Association

Gerry Hans
Friends of Griffith Park

David Rankell
Van Nuys Airport
Citizens Advisory Council

Roy Meals
Co-Developer of
HeliTracker
Holmby Westwood
Property Owners Assoc.

Mike Savidan
Councilman, City of Lomita

Donna Sievers
Bluff Heights (Long Beach)
Neighborhood Association

Gerald A. Silver
Homeowners of Encino

Rudy Whitcomb
Rolling Hills Estates

Wayne Williams
Van Nuys Airport
Citizens Advisory Council

Honorable Mayor and City Council of Rancho Palos Verdes

Subject: Request for Support for Petitions to Reduce Helicopter Noise

We are writing to urge you to support petitions filed by the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition (LAAHNC) asking the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to adopt specific regulations to mitigate helicopter noise in Los Angeles County.

On December 20, 2011, the City Council of Rancho Palos Verdes voted to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act of 2011 (H.R. 2677), which directed the FAA to establish regulations to reduce helicopter noise pollution in residential areas of Los Angeles County.

H.R. 2677 never came to a vote. Meanwhile, the FAA recommended that helicopter operators and residents collaborate, with assistance from the FAA, in an effort to agree on voluntary flight practices in lieu of mandatory regulations. The LAAHNC was formed in 2012 to represent residents in this effort.

In January 2014, Congress directed the FAA, through the Secretary of Transportation, to take specific steps to address helicopter noise in Los Angeles County and make significant progress in the following year or begin the regulatory process (see page 3 for attached copy of H.R. 3547).

LAAHNC has spent more than three years in over 60 meetings with helicopter operators on this subject and have not been able to agree on any significant voluntary flight measures. No significant progress has been made. So, on October 20, 2015, LAAHNC submitted four petitions to the FAA recommending specific mandatory flight regulations that would reduce helicopter noise in Los Angeles County.

Petition No. 01 (No. FAA-2015-5041) Helicopter Minimum Altitudes – Require non-emergency helicopters to fly at least 2,000 feet above ground level, with exceptions.

Petition No. 02 (No. FAA-2015-5042) Helicopter Hover/Orbit Restrictions – Require media helicopters to hover/orbit in one location for five minutes or less in any one-hour period, and tour helicopters to hover/orbit for three minutes or less, with exceptions.

Petition No. 03 (No. FAA-2015-5043) Mandatory Media Helicopter Pooling – Require media helicopters to plan for pooling coverage during planned and unplanned incidents.

Petition No. 04 (No. FAA-2015-5044) Shore Line Route – Require helicopters flying along the coastline to fly at least one-half mile offshore to reduce noise onshore.

LAAHNC Request for Support for Petitions to Reduce Helicopter Noise

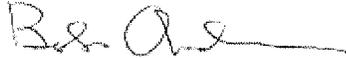
We believe these measures would benefit the residents of Rancho Palos Verdes by mitigating helicopter noise, improving the environment, and restoring quality of life. In particular, there is a high concentration of flights along the shoreline of the entire Palos Verdes peninsula, and this fact has been documented by flight track data developed by the FAA.

In recent years, many cities in Los Angeles County have adopted resolutions supporting the need for general regulations, without specific proposals, to address helicopter noise (see page 4 for attached list of supporters). Moreover, the list includes virtually all of the eleven cities on the County's coastline. We are now asking these cities and others to adopt resolutions urging the FAA to evaluate our petitions and the proposed specific regulations. So far, the Cities of Lomita and West Hollywood have done so. Also, a motion of support was recently introduced by the Los Angeles City Council and it will be coming back to them for approval.

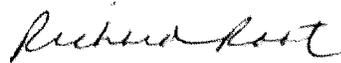
The FAA is currently considering whether or not to evaluate our petitions. They could dismiss them, based on other priorities or lack of funding, without even considering their merits. They are currently taking public comments on the petitions on the Federal website at <http://www.Regulations.gov/>. The FAA will be reluctant to adopt any regulations unless there is a strong showing of support from the impacted public. We hope the City of Rancho Palos Verdes will support our petitions and submit your comments to the FAA.

Thank you. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please contact Richard Root at (310) 617-5439 or RichardR@lahelicopternoise.org.

Sincerely,



Bob Anderson, Sherman Oaks, CA
President, LAAHNC



Richard Root, Torrance, CA
Vice President, LAAHNC

CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2014 (Excerpts)

H. R. 3547

AN ACT

Making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes.

Section 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014.

Excerpts:

DIVISION L

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2014

TITLE I

Department of transportation

Office Of The Secretary

Sec. 119D. The Secretary shall (1) evaluate and adjust existing helicopter routes above Los Angeles, and make adjustments to such routes if the adjustments would lessen impacts on residential areas and noise-sensitive landmarks; (2) analyze whether helicopters could safely fly at higher altitudes in certain areas above Los Angeles County; (3) develop and promote best practices for helicopter hovering and electronic news gathering; (4) conduct outreach to helicopter pilots to inform them of voluntary policies and to increase awareness of noise sensitive areas and events; (5) work with local stakeholders to develop a more comprehensive noise complaint system; and (6) continue to participate in collaborative engagement between community representatives and helicopter operators: *Provided*, That not later than one year after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall begin a regulatory process related to the impact of helicopter use on the quality of life and safety of the people of Los Angeles County unless the Secretary can demonstrate significant progress in undertaking the actions required under the previous proviso.

SUPPORT FOR LA COUNTY HELICOPTER NOISE RELIEF

Prepared by Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition LAAHNC (updated June 22, 2015)

S 208 – SENATE SPONSORS

DIANNE FEINSTEIN – Lead Sponsor
BARBARA BOXER

HR 456 – CONGRESSMEMBER COSPONSORS

ADAM SCHIFF (CA 28) – Lead Sponsor
BRAD SHERMAN (CA 30)
HENRY WAXMAN (CA 33)
JANICE HAHN (CA 44) joined 02/06/13
TONY CARDENAS (CA 29) joined 03/15/13
KAREN BASS (CA 37) joined 04/18/13
ALAN LOWENTHAL (CA 47) joined 10/15/13

RESOLUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE LOS ANGELES RESIDENTIAL HELICOPTER NOISE RELIEF ACT OF 2013

(S 208 and HR 456)

06/22/15 HILLSIDE FEDERATION LETTER OF SUPPORT (support for LAAHNC efforts)
12/16/14 BURBANK CITY COUNCIL (support need for FAA regulation)
10/23/14 SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS* (support need for FAA regulation)
04/22/14 **PALOS VERDES ESTATES** (Mayor's Letter)
10/08/13 **LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL**
08/26/13 **SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL**
08/26/13 CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY
06/24/13 SANTA MONICA AIRPORT COMMISSION
05/08/13 LAX COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE
05/07/13 **MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL**
04/18/13 CALIFORNIA SENATE
04/08/13 **MALIBU CITY COUNCIL**
04/08/13 HIDDEN HILLS CITY COUNCIL
03/13/13 CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES (HR 456)
03/06/13 **LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**
03/05/13 VAN NUYS AIRPORT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
03/04/13 WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY COUNCIL
02/19/13 LOMITA CITY COUNCIL
02/15/13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (administrative action)

* A Joint Powers Authority of 16 cities and LA County (Cities not listed above include Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Lawndale, Rolling Hills, and Torrance)

RESOLUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE LOS ANGELES RESIDENTIAL HELICOPTER NOISE RELIEF ACT OF 2011

(HR 2677)

11/20/12 BEVERLY HILLS CITY COUNCIL
10/02/12 **REDONDO BEACH CITY COUNCIL**
08/14/12 **LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**
08/06/12 CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE
03/27/12 **HERMOSA BEACH CITY COUNCIL**
03/26/12 CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY
02/14/12 **PALOS VERDES ESTATES CITY COUNCIL**
01/24/12 ROLLING HILLS ESTATES CITY COUNCIL
01/11/12 LAX COMMUNITY NOISE ROUNDTABLE
01/03/12 LOMITA CITY COUNCIL
12/20/11 **RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL**
11/08/11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
07/29/11 WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY COUNCIL

Note: Cities shown above in **bold type** are located on Los Angeles County's shoreline

March 16, 2016

NOTICE OF DECISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Coastal Hearings Officer of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes has **approved, with conditions**, a request to install two (2) sets of Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) camera systems within the City's public right-of-way, along the eastbound and westbound lanes of Palos Verdes Drive West near the intersection of Lunada Vista. The ALPR camera systems will be installed in earth-toned metal cabinets measuring 12"W x 16"L x 38" H.

LOCATION: Palos Verdes Drive West & Lunada Vista
LANDOWNER: City of Rancho Palos Verdes
APPLICANT: City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Said decision is subject to the Conditions of Approval set forth in the attached Exhibit 'A.'

This decision may be appealed, in writing, to the Planning Commission. The appeal shall set forth the grounds for appeal and any specific action being requested by the appellant. Any appeal letter must be filed within fifteen (15) calendar days of the date of the March 16, 2016 decision, or by 5:30 PM on Thursday, March 31, 2016. If no appeal is filed, the Director's decision will be final at 5:30 PM on Thursday, March 31, 2016.

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact Octavio Silva, Associate Planner, at (310) 544-5234 or via e-mail at octavios@rpvca.gov.



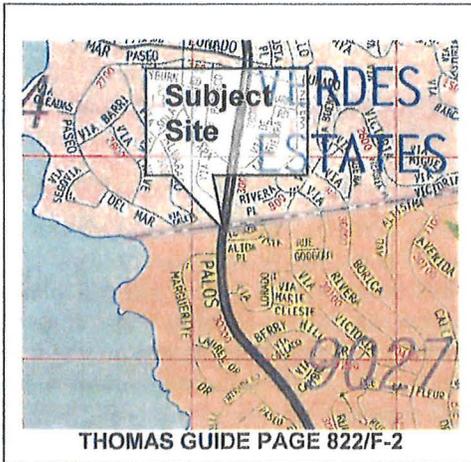
Terry Rodriguez,
Interim Community Development Director

Attachment:

Staff Report & Exhibit 'A'

CC: Coastal Commission- Certified Mail No.7015-0640-0000-0840-9341
Applicant
Property Owner

STAFF REPORT



TO: RANCHO PALOS VERDES COASTAL HEARINGS OFFICER *AS FOR T.R.*

DATE: MARCH 16, 2016

SUBJECT: COASTAL PERMIT (CASE NO. ZON2016-00065)

PROJECT ADDRESS: PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PALOS VERDES DRIVE WEST & LUNADA VISTA

APPLICANT: CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES

LANDOWNER: CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES

STAFF COORDINATOR: OCTAVIO SILVA ASSOCIATE PLANNER

REQUESTED ACTION: A REQUEST TO INSTALL TWO (2) SETS OF AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER (ALPR) CAMERA SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY'S PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, ALONG THE EAST- AND WESTBOUND LANES OF PALOS VERDES DRIVE WEST NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF LUNADA VISTA. THE ALPR CAMERA SYSTEMS WILL BE INSTALLED IN EARTH-TONED METAL CABINETS MEASURING 12"W X 16"L X 38"H.

RECOMMENDATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVE THE REQUESTED COASTAL PERMIT (CASE NO. ZON2016-00065), VIA MINUTE ORDER.

REFERENCES:

ZONING: CITY'S PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

LAND USE: CITY'S PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

CODE SECTIONS: 17.72

GENERAL PLAN: RESIDENTIAL, 2-4 D.U. / ACRE

TRAILS PLAN: N/A

SPECIFIC PLAN: COASTAL, SUBREGION 1

CEQA: CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT (SECTION 15303)

ACTION DEADLINE: APRIL 23, 2016

BACKGROUND

On December 15, 2015, the Rancho Palos Verdes City Council authorized Staff to proceed with the necessary infrastructure improvements for the installation of (2) sets of Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) camera systems along Palos Verdes Drive West near the City boundary with Palos Verdes Estates. The authorization was made in response to the City's larger efforts to deter crime in the City and surrounding areas.

ALPR is a technology that allows a camera to scan a large number of license plates quickly in an objective manner and compares the data to a number of police databases. Law enforcement is notified if there is a match to one of their databases. The ALPR cameras can be fixed (mounted on the roadside) or mobile (mounted on patrol cars).¹ The ALPR cameras serve as a secure monitoring and recording tool that allows law enforcement officers to cross-check license plates for historical activity and statuses of stolen vehicles. The ALPR technology involves infrared cameras that photograph license plates at high speeds, which then timestamp the images with the date, time and location coordinates, at which point the information is then stored in searchable databases for investigative uses.

As the proposed project location is within the City's Coastal Specific Plan area, on February 9, 2016, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes submitted a Coastal Permit application, which requested the installation of (2) sets of ALPR cameras within the City's public right-of-way, along the east- and westbound lanes of Palos Verdes Drive West near the intersection of Lunada Vista. After the submittal and review of the application materials, Staff deemed the project complete on February 23, 2016. Additionally, a public hearing notice was mailed to all property owners within a 500' radius from the subject property on February 25, 2016. Staff received one email inquiry (attached) related to the proposed project.

SITE DESCRIPTION

The project site is located in the City's public right-of-way that is surrounded by single family-residential uses to the east, west and south, as well as residential uses to the north within the City of Palos Verdes Estates. The proposed cameras will not impede upon public paths of the City's segment of the California Coastal Trail. The project site is also located within an appealable portion of Subregion 1 of the City's Coastal Specific Plan.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes is proposing to install (2) sets of ALPR Cameras at two different locations within the City's public right-of-way, in cabinets measuring approximately 12"W X 16"L X 38"H. The first set of cameras will be installed on the westbound lane of Palos Verdes Drive West at the intersection of Lunada Vista. One camera will be installed within the City's existing 40'-0" landscape median and the other camera will be installed within the City's 4'-6" parkway, adjacent to 7387 Lunada Vista. Both cameras will be positioned so as to scan license plates of those vehicles traveling out of the City. The second set of cameras will be installed on the eastbound lane of Palos Verdes Drive West near the intersection of Lunada Vista. One camera will be installed within the City's existing 40'-0" landscape median and the other camera will be installed within the City's 8'-6" parkway, adjacent to 7 Marguerite Drive. Both cameras will be positioned so as to scan license plates of those vehicles traveling into the City from neighboring

¹ An ALRP camera has been installed at Palos Verdes Drive South and 25th Street (outside the Coastal Zone), as part of a pilot program.

Palos Verdes Estates. The proposed cameras are housed within steel cabinets with an earth-tone finish in order to blend with the surrounding environment. A total of four steel cabinets will be installed as part of the applicant's request. The cabinets are self-contained units that do not require regular maintenance, as the cameras' internal software is updated continuously from a remote location.

CODE CONSIDERATION & ANALYSIS

The Coastal Permit application requires the Coastal Hearings Officer to make unique findings, as discussed below.

Coastal Permit

In considering an application for a Coastal Permit for appealable development, Section 17.72.090 of the Rancho Palos Verdes Development Code (RPVDC) requires the Coastal Hearings Officer to make two findings regarding the project under consideration (RPVDC language is **boldface**, followed by Staff's analysis in normal type):

1. **The proposed development is consistent with the Coastal Specific Plan.**
There are several policies listed in the Coastal Specific Plan, particular to Subregion 1. These policies are listed in bold italics below, with Staff's analysis in normal type.
 1. ***Maintain and protect the major drainage course within the confines of Subregion 1.***
This policy is not applicable to this project, as the project site is not adjacent to a natural drainage course.
 2. ***Encourage new developments to incorporate into their landscaping plan native plant materials, where such materials are fire retardant, beneficial to migratory and resident bird species.***
This policy is not applicable as the project is located within the City's public right-of-way and does not warrant the landscaping of native plants because the site is not located within or adjacent to the City's Palos Verdes Nature Preserve. That being said, the 38" tall cabinets will be screened with drought tolerant landscaping for screening purposes.
 3. ***Initiate establishment of intertidal areas as marine reserves and encourage strict marine reserves and encourage strict enforcement of the regulations of the reserves.***
This policy is not applicable as the project is not adjacent to intertidal areas, but rather located along an existing street corridor.
 4. ***Require an archaeological survey to be conducted prior to or in conjunction with proposed projects for undisturbed lands located in the northern portion of this subregion.***
This policy is not applicable as the project is not located within undisturbed lands, but rather located along an existing street corridor.
 5. ***Require proposed development on the site which currently supports agricultural activity planned development scheme which is compatible with adjoining***

existing development in order to maintain as much of this activity as possible within the required common open space.

This policy is not applicable as the project is not located within a site that supports agricultural activity, but rather located in an area that is adjacent to existing residential uses, as well as along an existing street corridor.

- 6. *Ensure that flood control improvements are carried out in a manner that is consistent with applicable General Plan and Coastal Specific Plan policies regarding preservation of natural habitat, visual character, and flood control.***

This policy is not applicable as the installation of the camera cabinets and equipment will not require flood control improvements.

- 7. *Require new developments to provide path and trail links from the bluff corridor to paths and trails along Palos Verdes Drive West.***

While the project does involve the construction of four new 38" high cabinets that will house the cameras, the installation of equipment within the City's existing traffic median and parkway has been positioned as to not interfere with existing and proposed paths or trails (City's segment of the California Coastal Trail) along Palos Verdes Drive West.

- 8. *Require proposed developments on lands affected by view corridors to maintain the resource.***

As defined by the Visual Corridor of the City's Coastal Specific Plan, the project site encompasses views that are observed by the community through the public right-of-way of Palos Verdes Drive West. The project site, however, is not located within a visual corridor as defined by Figure 26- "Visual Corridors" (attached) of the Coastal Specific Plan. Nonetheless, the Coastal Specific Plan acknowledges that large portions of Palos Verdes Drive West are not within a visual corridor, but have visual aspects which qualify as views that should be considered within these areas. Given this, the proposed 38" tall cabinets housing the proposed cameras are at a height that will not impair views of the ocean from the roadway, as the approximately 2 square foot cabinets will be set among existing fencing and vegetation, which are taller than the cabinets and currently a part of the vehicular experience along Palos Verdes Drive West and Lunada Vista. For this reason, views will not be impaired by the proposed project.

- 9. *Require a bluff road, where feasible, in the area between Point Vicente and the natural drainage course. No dwelling units shall be allowed oceanward of the road.***

This policy is not applicable as the project is not located in the area of Point Vicente, but rather located along existing street corridors.

As the proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies listed above, Staff believes that the proposed project is consistent with the City's Coastal Specific Plan.

- 2. *The proposed development, when located between the sea and the first public road, is consistent with applicable public access and recreation policies of the Coastal Act.***

As discussed above, the project site lies within an appealable portion of Subregion 1 of the City's Coastal Specific Plan. It is located between the sea and the first public road (i.e., Palos Verdes Drive West). However, the installation of the ALPR camera systems and the related 38"-high cabinet do not impact the public's access to the sea or public paths or the City's segment of the California Coastal Trail. Additionally, the proposed project does not impact any of the recreational marine activities in Subregion 1.

For all of the above-mentioned reasons, Staff believes that granting the requested Coastal Permit is warranted. Since the subject property is located within the appealable portion of the City's coastal zone, the City's approval of this Coastal Permit may be appealed by interested parties to the Coastal Commission after all other City appeals are exhausted. Also, the Coastal Commission retains the right to appeal any Coastal Permit approved by the City after all other City appeals are exhausted.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Overlay Control District Consistency

The entirety of the City's coastal zone is subject to the Socio-Cultural (OC-2) and Urban Appearance (OC-3) overlay control districts, as established pursuant to Section 17.40.050 and 17.40.060, respectively, of the City's Municipal Code.

- Socio-Cultural (OC-2) Overlay Control District – The purpose of the OC-2 District is to preserve, protect and maintain land and water areas, structures and other improvements which have significant historical, archaeological or cultural importance; and provide for the designation, protection and maintenance of land and water areas and improvements which may be of unique scientific or educational value. Projects within the OC-2 District are subject to review for consistency with specified performance criteria to ensure that they will not:
 1. Result in the blockage or impeding of views and controlled physical access by easement or passage to land and water areas, as well as improvements, covered by this Chapter 17.40 when such views or access are deemed to be critical to the historical, archaeological, paleontological, scientific or educational value of the designated site, areas or improvement;
 2. Be related to the development of otherwise permitted uses in lands adjacent to and surrounding those areas in the District in such a way as to prevent the proper functioning of these permitted uses without significant exception to these performance standards, thus tying this District to other uses in a non-severable manner;
 3. Result in modifications to terrain, vegetation or other natural features which serve to protect designated archaeological and paleontological sites and sensitive areas from the effects of wind and other climatic factors, including natural or manmade water runoff or which would similarly alter adjacent lands within two hundred feet of the boundaries of lands covered by this District in such a way as to render lands within the District susceptible to such impacts;
 4. Result in the use or conversions of such designated historical, archaeological,

paleontological, scientific or educational lands, water or improvements as commercial profit-making ventures open to the general public without the application of specific approval and control by the City over hours, types, intensities, purposes, fees and other operations of such areas or facilities, including organized tours by motor vehicle, bicycle, pedestrian or boat; and,

5. Result in the provision of inadequate security protection against vandalism or uncontrolled public exposure to archaeological or paleontological sites under excavation or study, historic structures, or areas undergoing renovation or maintenance, or scientific or educational research being conducted on-site.

As described above, the proposed project site is located along an existing 120'-0" public street corridor that is currently improved with a 40'-0" traffic median, parkways, trails, and sidewalks, with no known or expected historical, archaeological or cultural importance that will be impacted by the proposed project. As such, Staff believes that the proposed project is consistent with the performance criteria of the OC-2 District.

- Urban Appearance (OC-3) Overlay Control District – The purpose of the OC-3 District is to preserve, protect and maintain land and water areas, structures and other improvements which are of significant value because of their recreational, aesthetic and scenic qualities, as defined in the Visual Aspects portion of the General Plan and the Corridors Element of the Coastal Specific Plan; preserve, protect and maintain significant views and vistas from major public view corridors and public lands and waters within the City which characterize the City's appearance as defined in the Visual Aspects portion of the General Plan and the Corridors Element of the Coastal Specific Plan; ensure that site planning, grading and landscape techniques, as well as improvement planning, design and construction will preserve, protect and enhance the visual character of the City's predominant land forms, urban form, vegetation and other distinctive features, as identified in the General Plan and the Coastal Specific Plan; and preserve, protect and maintain significant views of and from slope areas within the community which characterize the City's dominant land form appearance. Projects within the OC-3 District are subject to review for consistency with specified performance criteria to ensure that they will not:
 1. Result in the change in elevation of the land or construction of any improvement which would block, alter or impair major views, vistas or view sheds in existence from designated view corridors, view sites or view points at the dates of adoption of the General Plan and the Coastal Specific Plan in such a way as to materially and irrevocably alter the quality of the view as to arc (horizontal and vertical), primary orientation or other characteristics;
 2. Cause the removal or significant alteration of structural focal points and natural focal points, as defined and designated in the General Plan;
 3. Cause the mass and finish grading or any topographic alteration which results in uniform, geometrically terraced building sites which are contrary to the natural land forms, which would substantially detract from the scenic and visual quality of the City, which would be contrary to the grading criteria contained in Section 17.76.040 (Grading Permit) or which would substantially change the natural characteristics of a drainage course, identified natural vegetation or wildlife habitat area;

4. Create site plans, building or other improvement designs which would result in other significant changes to the natural topography or which would prevent or hinder the use of naturalized minimum grading techniques to restore an area to its natural contours;
5. Grade any area or remove vegetation from such an area without replacing such areas with properly drained, impervious surfaces or suitable vegetation within six months of the commencement of such activities;
6. Propose the use of any vegetative materials which are not compatible with the visual, climatic, soil and ecological characteristics of the City or which require excessive water;
7. Create a cut or embankment with a slope greater than three feet horizontal to one foot vertical (3:1) and more than fifteen feet in total elevation which is located adjacent to a publicly maintained right-of-way or area unless an agreement with the City for the vegetation and perpetual maintenance of such slope at no cost to the City is executed and bonded; and
8. Result in changes in topography or the construction of improvements which would block, alter or otherwise materially change significant views, vistas and viewshed areas available from major private residential areas of the community which characterize the visual appearance, urban form and economic value of these areas.

As described above, the proposed project will not result in adverse impacts upon public or private views, as the project is not located within a defined visual corridor or vista, and maintains views of the Pacific Ocean that are observed along Palos Verdes Drive West. This is because the height of the 2 square foot cabinet at 38" tall will not encroach into views of the ocean and coastal resources. Further, the proposed project will not result in the alteration of a significant topographic or visual feature in the neighborhood, as the proposed 38" tall camera cabinets will be situated within the City's existing public right-of-way and in a manner so as to not impair public or private views. For example, the proposed camera cabinets will be placed adjacent to existing utility cabinets, along both the east and west bound lanes of Palos Verdes Drive West and will be screened as part of the City's effort to re-landscape the traffic median with drought tolerant landscaping. The location of the proposed cabinets along Palos Verdes Drive West is the optimal location for the intended purposes of the camera systems to scan a large number of vehicle license plates, as the Corridor Element of the Coastal Specific Plan, identifies Palos Verdes Drive West as a primary vehicle access corridor within the City. Palos Verdes Drive West forms the spine of an access corridor concept which involves a series of laterals and loops within the coastal region that provides access to, from, and through developed and undeveloped land. As such, Staff believes that the proposed project is consistent with the performance criteria of the OC-3 District.

Public Correspondence

City Staff has received one email inquiry (attached) regarding this project in response to the notice mailed on February 25, 2016. The email, dated March 3, 2016, requested additional information

as to the need and purpose of the ALPR camera systems, to which City Staff provided an email response that included background information on the City's request.

CEQA Compliance

Staff has determined that the proposed project is Categorical Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), under Article 19, Section 15303 (Class 3 Exemption) of the California *Guidelines for Implementation of the CEQA*. Specifically, the project includes the construction and location of limited numbers of new small facilities or structures.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the discussion above, Staff recommends conditional approval of the requested Coastal Permit (Case No. ZON2016-00065).

ALTERNATIVES

In addition to the Staff recommendation, the following alternatives are available for the Hearings Officer's consideration:

1. Approve the Coastal Permit (Case No. ZON2016-00065) with modifications.
2. Deny the Coastal Permit (Case No. ZON2016-00065) without prejudice.
3. Identify any issues of concern with the proposed project, provide Staff and/or the applicant with direction in modifying the project, and continue the public hearing to a date certain.

Attachments:

- Conditions of Approval (Exhibit 'A')
- Public Notice Email Inquiry Dated March 3, 2016
- Project Plans
- Figure 26- "Visual Corridors" of the Coastal Specific Plan

EXHIBIT 'A'
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR ZON2016-00065
(COASTAL PERMIT)
PALOS VERDES DRIVE WEST & LUNADA VISTA

General Conditions:

1. Prior to the submittal of plans into Building and Safety plan check, the applicant and the property owner shall submit to the City a statement, in writing, that they have read, understand, and agree to all conditions of approval contained herein. Failure to provide said written statement within ninety (90) days following the date of this approval shall render this approval null and void.
2. If applicable, prior to conducting any work in the public right of way, such as curb cuts, dumpsters, temporary improvements and/or permanent improvements, the applicant shall obtain an encroachment permit from the Director of Public Works.
3. Approval of this permit shall not be construed as a waiver of applicable and appropriate zoning regulations, or any Federal, State, County and/or City laws and regulations. Unless otherwise expressly specified, all other requirements of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes Municipal Code shall apply.
4. The Community Development Director is authorized to make minor modifications to the approved plans and any of the conditions of approval if such modifications will achieve substantially the same results as would strict compliance with the approved plans and conditions. Otherwise, any substantive change to the project shall require approval of a revision by the final body that approved the original project, which may require new and separate environmental review.
5. The project development within the City's public right-of-way shall conform to the specific standards contained in these conditions of approval.
6. Failure to comply with and adhere to all of these conditions of approval may be cause to revoke the approval of the project pursuant to the revocation procedures contained in Section 17.86.060 of the City's Municipal Code.
7. If the applicant has not submitted an application for any applicable building permit and/or encroachment permit for the approved project or not commenced the approved project as described in Section 17.86.070 of the City's Municipal Code within 180 days of the final approval date, the project shall expire and be of no further effect unless, prior to expiration, a written request for extension is filed with the Community Development Department and approved by the Director.
8. In the event that any of these conditions conflict with the recommendations and/or requirements of another permitting agency or City department, the stricter standard shall apply.
9. Unless otherwise designated in these conditions, all construction shall be completed in substantial conformance with the plans stamped APPROVED by the City with the effective date of this approval.

10. The construction site and adjacent public and private properties and streets shall be kept free of all loose materials resembling trash and debris in excess of that material used for immediate construction purposes. Such excess material may include, but not be limited to: the accumulation of debris, garbage, lumber, scrap metal, concrete asphalt, piles of earth, salvage materials, abandoned or discarded furniture, appliances or other household fixtures.
11. All construction sites shall be maintained in a secure, safe, neat and orderly manner, to the satisfaction of the City's Building Official. All construction waste and debris resulting from a construction, alteration or repair project shall be removed on a weekly basis by the contractor or property owner. Existing or temporary portable bathrooms shall be provided during construction. Portable bathrooms shall be placed in a location that will minimize disturbance to the surrounding property owners, to the satisfaction of the City's Building Official.
12. Permitted hours and days for construction activity are 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday, 9:00AM to 5:00PM on Saturday, with no construction activity permitted on Sundays or on the legal holidays specified in Section 17.96.920 of the Rancho Palos Verdes Development Code. During demolition, construction and/or grading operations, trucks shall not park, queue and/or idle at the project site or in the adjoining street rights-of-way before 7AM Monday through Friday and before 9AM on Saturday, in accordance with the permitted hours of construction stated in this condition. When feasible to do so, the construction contractor shall provide staging areas on-site to minimize off-site transportation of heavy construction equipment. These areas shall be located to maximize the distance between staging activities and neighboring properties, subject to approval by the building official.
13. All grading, landscaping and construction activities shall exercise effective dust control techniques, either through screening and/or watering.

Project Specific Conditions:

14. This approval is for the following:
 - a. Installation of (4) Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) camera systems within the City's public right-of-way, along the east- and westbound lanes of Palos Verdes Drive west near the intersection of Lunada Vista. The ALPR camera systems will be installed in cabinets measuring 12"W x 16"L x 38" H.
15. The proposed equipment cabinets shall be painted an earth-tone color and shall be screened with drought-tolerant landscaping to a level as approved by the Community Development Director.
16. All new landscaping shall be drought tolerant species, all new irrigation shall be drip or microspray, and new irrigation shall be water efficient.
17. If required by the Building & Safety Division, the applicant shall submit appropriate documents to the City Geologist for final approval prior to Building Permit issuance.

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18. No construction shall be permitted under this approval within the Coastal Structure Setback Zone.
19. The approved cabinets that will house the ALPR cameras shall not impede existing and proposed public paths and trails, including the City's segment of the California Coastal Trail.

Octavio Silva

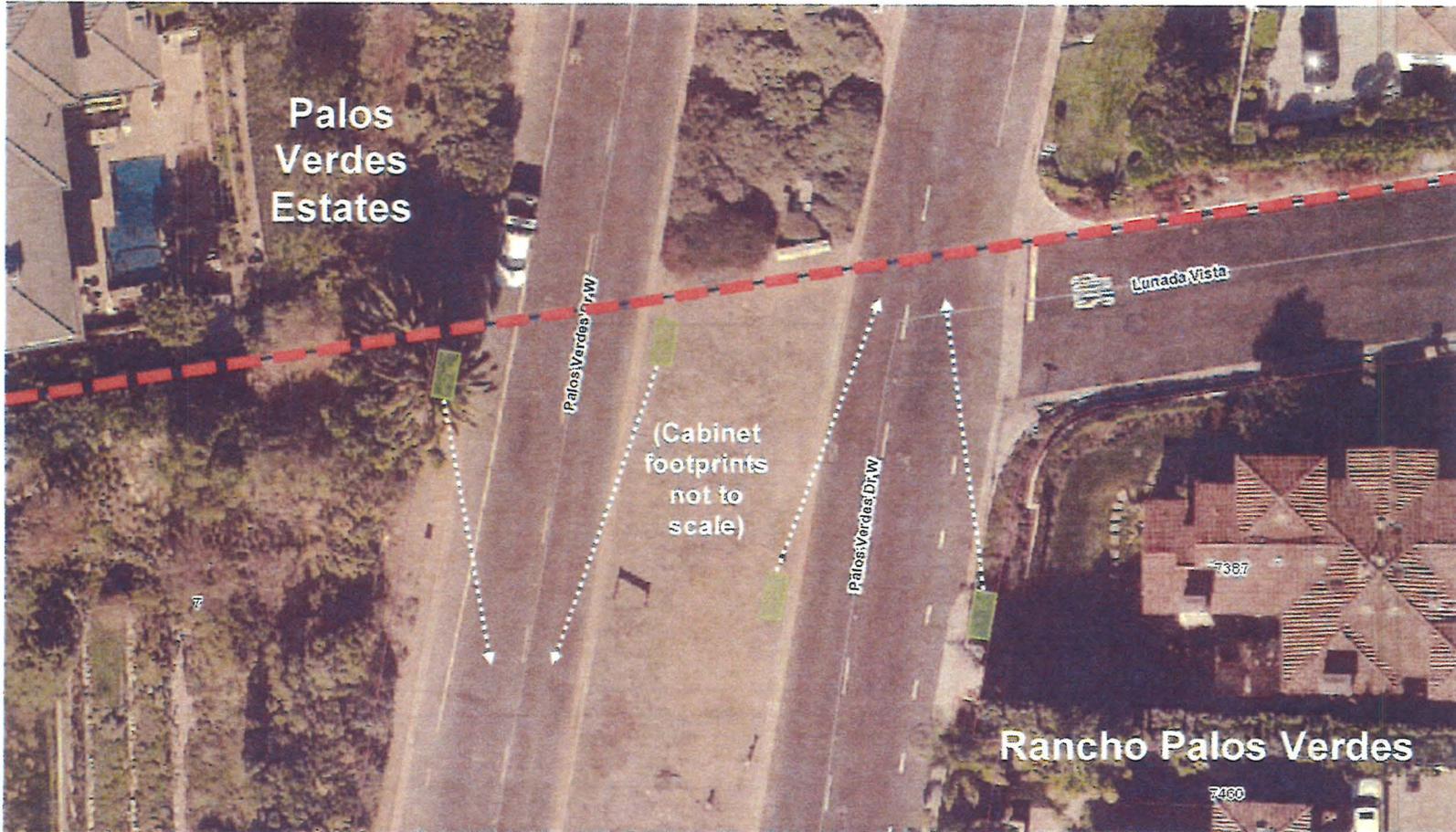
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To: Octavio Silva
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Attachments: zon2016-00065.pdf

I received the attached Notice.

The notice makes no mention about the purpose of the "ALPR Camera System".

Why does the City want to install this camera system? What is the purpose?

Best,



**ALPR Camera Installation
Palos Verdes Drive West at Lunada Vista, Rancho Palos Verdes**

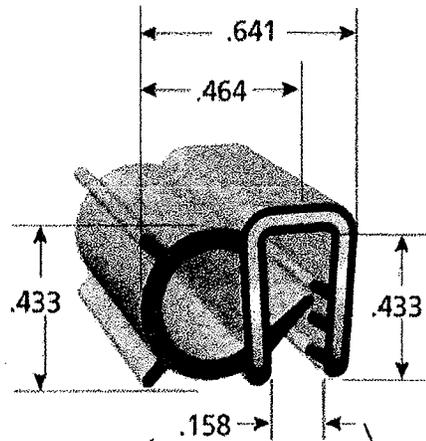
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Cabinet dimensions: 12"W by 16"L by 38"T**

All cabinets and equipment installed in public right-of-way of Palos Verdes Drive West

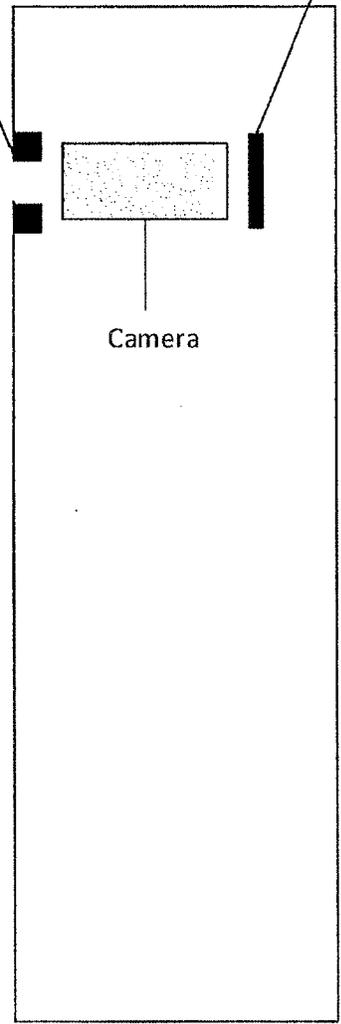
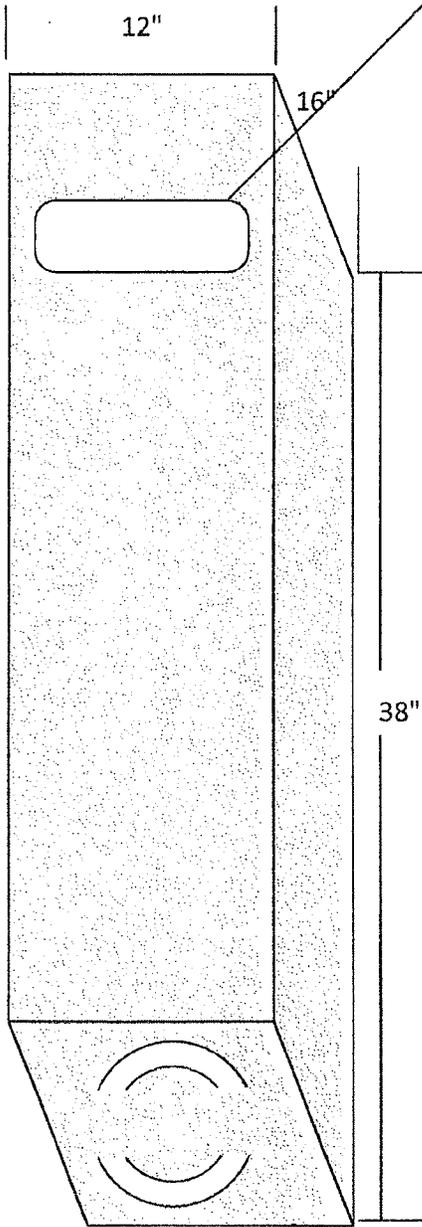
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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**



Camera compressing plate, compressed by 2x welded pam screws to box and 2x lock nuts. Plate has trough holes.



Camera

Side view of inside.

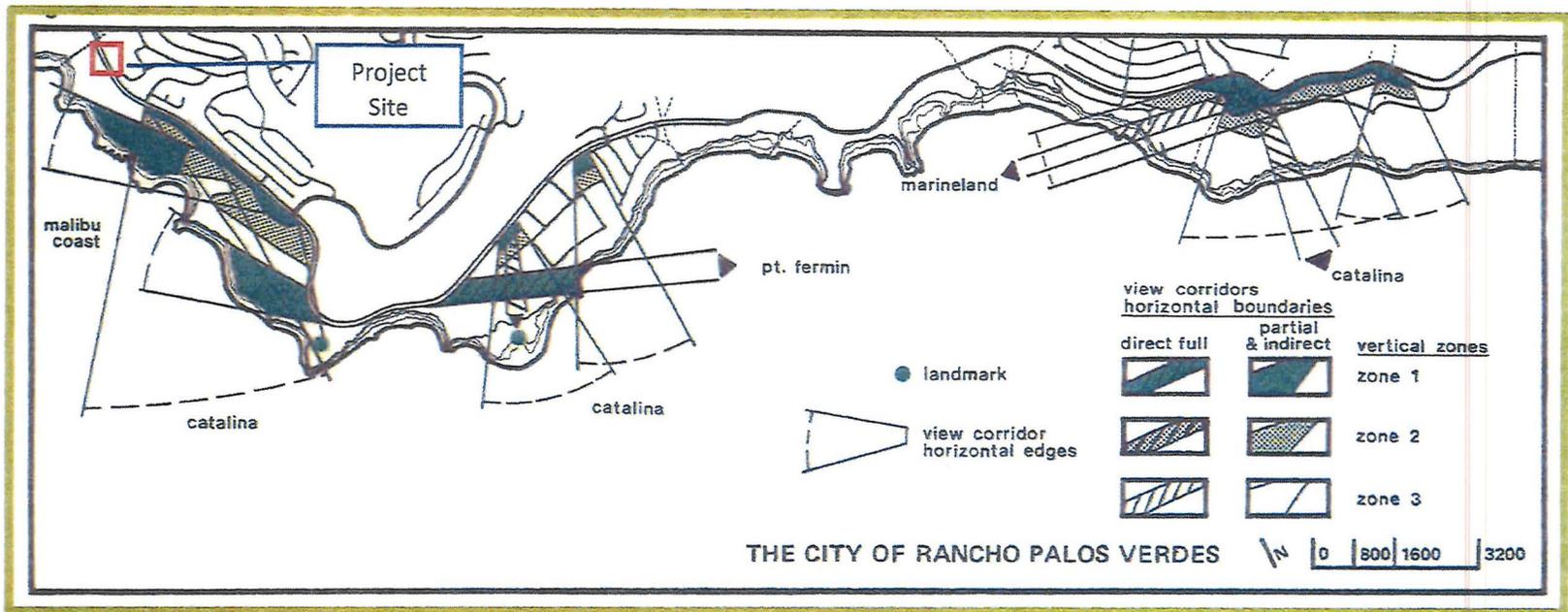


Figure 26- on Page C-10 of the City's Coastal Specific Plan



Applications of Note as of March 16, 2016

Case No.	Owner	Street Address	Project Description	Submitted
VRP2016-00006	SMITH, TIMOTHY & MARTINA	5013 OAKLON RD		3/10/2016
VRP2016-00007	LORENZEN, ANGUS M & GAIL Y	15 DIAMONTE LN	View Restoration Permit 2016-00007	3/11/2016
			<i>View Restoration Permit</i>	
ZON2016-00111	BAKER, ANTHONY R & E DEBORAH	16 LIMETREE LN	SUP for a Cargo container 17.76.180	3/11/2016
			<i>Special Use Permit</i>	
ZON2016-00112	STANOJEVICH, ANTON & BOBBIE	2462 RUE LE CHARLENE		3/11/2016
			<i>Site Plan Review</i> <i>Foliage Analysis</i>	
ZON2016-00117	CBB ARCHITECTS	32012 CAPE POINT DR	New SFR	3/15/2016
			<i>Site Plan Review</i>	

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