



Agenda Report

July 24, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Public Health Department

SUBJECT: JOINT TAX TRANSFER RESOLUTION BETWEEN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND THE CITY OF PASADENA (ANNEXATION 2016-34)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15319 Annexations of Existing Facilities and Lots for Exempt Projects and Section 15320 Changes in Organization of Local Agencies; and
2. Adopt the attached Resolution approving a joint tax transfer between the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector District ("District"), Los Angeles County, and the City of Pasadena ("City").

BACKGROUND:

On October 24, 2016 City Council approved staff recommendation to initiate the process requesting the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District annex the City of Pasadena. On January 26, 2017 the annexation application and fee were submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles ("LAFCO").

The next step in the annexation process requires City Council approval of the joint tax transfer Resolution. This is required by the Los Angeles County Tax Collector to transfer existing taxation to the new entity under the annexation proposal. In this instance, since there are no taxes currently collected in Pasadena for this service, the immediate tax transfer is a "zero tax transfer." Funding for the District's services will eventually be provided for on annual property tax bills through a benefit assessment of \$11.98 per residential parcel and \$20 per non-residential/industrial parcel, subject to final approval by LAFCO.

Annexation into the District will result in enhanced vector services for the City including mosquito and disease surveillance, collection and testing of birds, regular and preventative larviciding and adulticiding of standing water and storm drain systems, education and outreach, local laboratory testing, and surge support during a local disease outbreak such as Zika.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed actions would advance the City Council Strategic Planning Goals, including ensuring public safety.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed annexation has been determined to be exempt from California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15319, Annexations of Existing Facilities and Lots for Exempt Projects and Section 15320, Changes in Organization of Local Agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT:

In December 2016 Pasadena Public Health Department ("PPHD") paid a filing fee for the annexation application submission in the amount of \$8,500, and LAFCO has indicated total processing fees may amount up to \$12,500. The PPHD has sufficient funds in Health Admin - Other Contract Services (Account # 20323010-811400) to support this expense. As with all property tax assessments, Los Angeles County will collect the assessment proceeds and distribute to the District directly. The property tax will apply to all City-owned parcels resulting in approximately \$8,000 in annual costs to the City. There are no anticipated impacts to other operational programs or capital projects as a result of this action.

Respectfully submitted,



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Approved by:



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Attachment
Attachment A – Joint Tax Transfer Resolution