

RESOLUTION NO. LAFC 1240

**RESOLUTION OF THE
SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR THE INCORPORATION OF RANCHO CORDOVA, CALIFORNIA
(LAFCO Control Number: 12-97)**

WHEREAS, the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission has undertaken a comprehensive analysis of the Rancho Cordova Incorporation Proposal;

WHEREAS, the Rancho Cordova Incorporation evaluation and review process has involved extensive public participation, both through public meetings and through Local Agency Formation Commission and staff public hearings at which both written and oral comments were received from concerned citizens;

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions, community groups, businesses and other interested parties have provided input into the planning and evaluation processes;

WHEREAS, public agencies have reviewed and commented upon the project;

WHEREAS, a Notice of Preparation for a Draft Environmental Impact Report ("Draft EIR") was prepared and released for public comment on May 24, 2000;

WHEREAS, a Draft EIR was prepared, and circulated between March 27, 2001 and June 6, 2001, and considered at noticed public hearings on May 10, 2001 and June 6, 2001;

WHEREAS, A Final Environmental Impact Report ("Final EIR") was prepared and considered at noticed public hearings on November 7, 2001, December 5, 2001, January 17, 2002, February 6, 2002, March 6, 2002, and April 18, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Final EIR constitutes the complete environmental documentation and review of the Rancho Cordova Incorporation pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Recitals

The above recitals are true and correct, and the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission hereby so finds.

SECTION 2: Findings Related to Prior Proceedings

A. The Notice of Preparation for the Draft EIR was duly prepared, noticed, and properly circulated in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

B. The Draft EIR was duly prepared, noticed, and properly circulated in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

C. After providing adequate public notice, the Draft EIR was duly circulated in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, and public hearings which were properly noticed, were conducted by the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

D. All comments received during the period of public review have been duly considered and incorporated into the Final EIR and, where necessary, replied to, all in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

E. A Final EIR was prepared and issued on October 25, 2001.

F. On February 28, 2002, the environmental consultant, Environmental Science Associates, prepared an analysis determining that the Draft EIR and Final EIR did not need to be supplemented or recirculated based upon the February 6, 2002 proposed incorporation boundary and sphere of influence. Subsequent modifications to the boundary to increase a portion of the Aerojet property were also determined to not require additional environmental analysis. The consultant further determined that no new environmental impacts would occur nor would additional mitigation measures be required other than those presented in the Draft EIR and Final EIR.

G. Written responses were provided to all public and public agency comments that were received on the Draft EIR at least ten (10) days before certification of the Final EIR, pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

H. A good faith effort has been made to incorporate alternatives into the Final EIR, and all reasonable alternatives were considered in the review process under the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act relating to the decisions and recommendations as described in this Resolution.

I. The Final EIR for the proposed Project has been properly completed and has identified all significant environmental effects of the proposed Project, and there are no known potential environmental effects that are not addressed in the Final EIR.

J. A good faith effort has been made to seek out and incorporate all points of view in the preparation of the Draft EIR and Final EIR.

K. The Commission has utilized its own independent judgment in adopting this Resolution and in certifying the Final EIR.

L. Mitigation measures will be considered and adopted as part of the consideration of the Rancho Cordova Incorporation Proposal.

SECTION 3: Certification of the Final EIR

A. The Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission hereby certifies the Final EIR, consisting of all the environmental documents described in this Resolution, as being adequate and complete and certifies that the Final EIR has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

B. The Final EIR was presented to the Commission and the Commission reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR prior to project approval, as required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15090(a)(2).

C. The Final EIR reflects the Commission's independent judgment and analysis.

On a motion by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Hammond, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION, State of California, this 1st day of May, 2002, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: *Roberta MacGlashan, Elliot Mulberg, William Porter, Christopher Tooker, Roger Dickinson, Muriel Johnson, Lauren Hammond.*

NOES: *None.*

ABSTAIN: *None.*

ABSENT: *Illa Collin.*

Roberta MacGlashan

Roberta MacGlashan, Chair
SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Marilyn Ann Flemmer

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Commission Clerk