

ATTACHMENT D

Resolution

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Costa Mesa reiterating support for the existing Sphere of Influence (SOI) line established by the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) relating to the annexation of Unincorporated Islands.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Local Agency Formation Commission has an established Sphere of Influence (SOI) line demarcating those County Unincorporated Islands to be annexed to the City of Costa Mesa (City); and

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature, the County of Orange, the Orange County Division of the League of California Cities and LAFCO have urged Cities to seek annexation of Unincorporated County Islands; and

WHEREAS, the City had diligently pursued annexation of those County Unincorporated Islands within its SOI over the past several years committing staff, consultant and financial resources to the required planning, legal documentation and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, the City has successfully annexed all or most of six of the seven Area annexation applications processed through LAFCO; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newport Beach has indicated an interest in a change to the SOI to support their annexation of those remaining areas within the City's SOI including West Santa Ana Heights, Santa Ana Country Club and areas south of Mesa Drive, including the detachment of existing neighborhoods within the incorporated City limits of Costa Mesa; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Costa Mesa finds neither a factual nor legal basis upon which the SOI should be changed by LAFCO to support the expressed interests of the City of Newport Beach and that such a change would be contrary to sound land use planning, legislative intent, efficient delivery of public services and the integrity of the Costa Mesa community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Costa Mesa City Council hereby reiterates its support for the existing SOI as established by LAFCO and the annexation of those County Unincorporated Islands to the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Costa Mesa City Council requests the Newport Beach City Council to respect the existing SOI and cease efforts to annex areas within the City of Costa Mesa's SOI, including efforts to detach existing neighborhoods with the City's corporate limits.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Newport Beach City Council, the Orange County Board of Supervisors and the Board of the Local Agency Formation Commission.