



Los Angeles County
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February 16, 2012

TO: Curt Pedersen, Chair
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FROM: Mitch Glaser, AICP, Supervising Regional Planner
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SUBJECT: FEBRUARY 22, 2012 – AGNEDA ITEM # 6
PROJECT NO. R2010-00446-(5)
ADVANCE PLANNING CASE NO. 2010-00005-(5)
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 2010-00016-(5)
AMENDMENT TO TITLE 22 (ZONING ORDINANCE) TO UPDATE THE
AGUA DULCE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT

SUPPLEMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Staff has received additional correspondence regarding this matter, which is attached for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please contact Brianna Menke at (213) 974-6476 or bmenke@planning.lacounty.gov.

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Attachments:

1. Supplemental Correspondence

ACTON TOWN COUNCIL

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February 15, 2012

Mr. Richard J. Bruckner, Director

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RE: Agua Dulce Community Standards District Boundaries

Dear Mr. Bruckner:

The Acton Town Council received a copy of a letter from the Agua Dulce Town Council, dated Dec. 15, 2011, regarding the Agua Dulce Community Standards District Boundaries. Their newly proposed Standards and boundaries will come before the Planning Commission on Feb. 22, 2012. We would like to clarify a few issues raised in their letter as well as our position on their proposed revisions.

First of all we would like to make it clear that we support the right of the citizens within the established boundaries of the Agua Dulce Community Standards District to amend the specific provisions of their District's ordinance. We also support their ability to include geographical areas within their boundaries that are currently not covered by any other CSD boundary, as long as all legal requirements have been met to annex the area. **However we strongly oppose any effort to annex into their boundaries any portion of the Acton Community Standards District. We do support LA County's position to adjust the planning boundaries of the Antelope Valley Area Wide (Town and Country) Plan to include the entirety of the Acton Community Standards District.**

The position of adjusting the Antelope Valley Plan's boundaries was reached by the County after numerous meetings, both individually and jointly, between the two Town Councils. Unfortunately, the Dec. 15th letter from the Agua Dulce Town Council incorrectly presented the facts. They presented one proposed meeting as the only meeting that was scheduled. One of the meetings scheduled to discuss the boundary issue was not attended by ATC representatives. This occurred due to scheduling conflicts of the ATC representatives. However, they failed to mention that there were many meetings that were attended by representatives from LA County, the Agua Dulce Town Council and the Acton Town Council held both at the Acton Community Center and at the Agua Dulce Women's Club.

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Prior to the Agua Dulce CSD and the Acton CSD being established legal notices were issued, community meetings were held and information was disseminated to both communities via 3 local newspapers. In addition there were many specific internal community meetings to discuss the Districts. Every effort was made by all involved to provide information to both communities and I believe that LA County met all legal requirements.

The Acton Community Standards District's boundaries have been established and have remained unchanged since Dec. 1995. The Acton Town Council strongly opposes any change in the Acton CSD's boundaries without a vote of all residents within our District and after all legal notices are given and adequate time is allotted for a thorough discussion of the issue. We do support LA County's position to adjust the Planning Areas to accurately coincide with the legal boundaries of the two CSDs.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael R. Hughes, President

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February 22, 2012 Los Angeles County Regional Planning
Commission Public Hearing-Agua Dulce Revised CSD and
Boundaries

For the past 10 + years, the Agua Dulce Community Standards District "CSD" Revision Committee has been tirelessly working on soliciting community input to reflect the wishes of the community on the revised Agua Dulce "CSD" and Boundaries

During this process, we heard from a number of residents not currently within the Agua Dulce "CSD" and the Agua Dulce Boundaries. South of the Summit areas included the following: Escondido Canyon Road from Hubbard south to the 14 Freeway—Both sides of Hubbard Road (Agua Dulce side)— Briggs Road and Big Springs Road areas. These areas are in the Santa Clarita (OVOV) One Valley One Vision Boundary.

The Agua Dulce Town Council and the Agua Dulce "CSD" Committee strongly supports the residents desire to remain in the OVOV where they belong and be added into the Agua Dulce "CSD" boundary.

We live in the unincorporated community of Agua Dulce, in the Santa Clarita (OVOV) area plan. **We can Vote in Agua Dulce concerning any issues, including running for the Town Council position.**

Neither the Acton Town Council nor Regional Planning informed us when Acton included this OVOV area in their "CSD". The Acton "CSD" mentions Antelope Valley area more than once; we do not want our properties to be placed in the (Town and Country) Antelope Valley area plan.

Due to other commitments, most of the residents will not be able to attend the 2/22/12 Regional Planning Hearing. As a 12+ years member of the Agua Dulce "CSD" committee, and 28 year resident of 7520 Escondido Canyon Rd. I will be attending and will represent the attached residents of this small OVOV area.

The Acton Town Council would like to move our Boundary area to (Town and Country) Antelope Valley area plan. No Town Council should deny the residents desires to live were they belong.

We respectfully request Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission our desire to remain in the (OVOV) area plan and be added into the Agua Dulce "CSD" boundary.

Thank you,

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Additional pages were attached to this letter and were submitted to the Regional Planning Commission. However, these pages contain personal contact information for numerous individuals and therefore have been taken out of this document prior to its publication to the website.