RESOLUTION
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

WHEREAS, The Regional Planning Commission of the County of Los Angeles has reviewed the matter of an amendment to Title 22 (Zoning Ordinance) of the Los Angeles County Code relating to the establishment of the Stonyvale Community Standards District; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Commission finds as follows:

1. The unincorporated community of Stonyvale is part of the Fifth Supervisorial District. The community is located in the foothills of the Angeles National Forest, bordered on the north by Big Tujunga Canyon Road, on the south by the Big Tujunga Wash and is bisected by Stonyvale Road.

2. A private inholding of 30 A-1-1 zoned parcels in the Angeles National Forest, the Stonyvale community is rural and the majority of residences in the community were destroyed by the 2009 Station Fire.

3. On August 28, 2009 the Governor of California issued Executive Order S-05-09 proclaiming a state of emergency in the County of Los Angeles resulting from the Station Fire.

4. The residents of the community of Stonyvale organized after the Station Fire to coordinate with pertinent County permitting agencies to facilitate reestablishment of the community to the way it was before the fire.

5. On November 30, 2010 the Board of Supervisors adopted motion 74-D directing Regional Planning to prepare a Community Standards Districts (CSD) that considered alternative front setbacks and wall heights, and horse-keeping.

6. Staff worked closely with the ad hoc community group representing the Stonyvale community in the development of the CSD, including participation in a community-led tour on December 16, 2010 and in face-to-face meetings on January 27 and April 28, 2011.

7. The proposed CSD will ensure the community character that existed prior to the Station Fire will continue when construction of new single-family residences and accessory structures occurs by establishing development standards pertaining to front setbacks and wall heights.

8. Staff determined, in consultation with County Counsel, that the project is statutorily exempt under the Public Resources Code § 21172, Inapplicability to Project in Emergency Disaster Area; and categorically exempt under CEQA Guideline § 15269(a), Emergency Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regional Planning Commission recommends that Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors:

1. Hold a public hearing to consider the proposed amendment to Title 22 (Zoning Ordinance) of the Los Angeles County Code relating to establishing the Stonyvale Community Standards District (CSD); and

2. Adopt the attached ordinance establishing the Stonyvale CSD, and determine that it is compatible with and supportive of the goals and policies of the Los Angeles County General Plan.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a majority of the members of the Regional Planning Commission in the County of Los Angeles on June 15, 2011.

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Rosie O. Ruiz, Secretary
Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

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