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June 4, 2009 (Agenda)

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**LAFCO 07-12 – Veronica Meadows Reorganization
Extension of Time to Complete Proceedings**

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission extend for a period of one year, to July 3, 2010, the time allowed to complete the Veronica Meadows Reorganization (LAFCO 07-12).

DISCUSSION

The Government Code specifics if proceedings for a boundary change are not completed within one year of the Commission's approval a proposal is deemed abandoned, unless prior to the expiration of that year LAFCO authorizes an extension of time.

The Commission approved the Veronica Meadows Reorganization: Annexation to the City of Santa Barbara / Detachment from the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District/ Detachment from the Goleta Water District on July 3, 2008. If the time allowed to complete this proceeding is not extended, it will become void on July 3, 2009.

The enclosed letter from the City indicates that an extension of time might be needed for this proposal. The staff feels this is a reasonable request and recommends approval.

Sincerely,



BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer

cc: Paul Casey, City of Santa Barbara
Steve Amerikaner, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

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April 20, 2009

Bob Braitman
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Subject: **Veronica Meadows Reorganization – Request for Extension**

Dear Mr. Braitman:

On July 3, 2008, LAFCO approved the Veronica Meadows Reorganization: Annexation to the City of Santa Barbara with Detachments from the County Fire Protection District and the Goleta Water District. It is our understanding that the City has one year from the date of approval to complete the annexation.

The project associated with the Reorganization has been held up with legal proceedings since the annexation approval. A lot line adjustment is required in order to annex said property into the City. The signatures of both property owners are required in order to record the lot line adjustment (LLA). Mr. Bollag, the other property owner involved in the LLA, had refused to sign the LLA, based on his pending lawsuit against Peak-Las Positas Partners (owner of the property approved for annexation). On March 16, 2009, the Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Peak-Las Positas Partners in said litigation, and the appellate court denied Mr. Bollag's petition for rehearing. April 25, 2009 is the last day for Mr. Bollag to file a petition for California Supreme Court review. Assuming said petition is filed, June 14, 2009 is the last day the Supreme Court could grant petition for review.

Peak-Las Positas Partners has been working diligently to complete the annexation and bring the permitting for this project to a successful conclusion. Therefore, we respectfully request a 12-month time extension for completion of the aforementioned Reorganization.

If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please me, or Danny Kato, Senior Planner, at the City Planning Division (805) 564-5470.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allison De Busk".

Allison De Busk
Project Planner

Cc: Paul Casey, Community Development Director
Danny Kato, Senior Planner
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