

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY

FORMATION COMMISSION

June 30, 2009 and 2008

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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March 23, 2010

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

**To the Members of the Commission
Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission:**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission (the "Commission") as of June 30, 2009 and 2008 and for the years then ended, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Commission's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as of June 30, 2009 and 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Commission has not presented management's discussion and analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board have determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the Commission's basic financial statements. The supplementary information listed in the accompanying table of contents is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 2009 and 2008

	2009	2008
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 34,030	\$ 17,669
Accounts receivable	283	283
Interest receivable	370	574
Total current assets	34,683	18,526
Total assets	\$ 34,683	\$ 18,526
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Current Liabilities:		
Contingent liability	\$ 40,000	\$ -
Accounts payable and advances	35,385	14,838
Total current liabilities	75,385	14,838
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	(40,702)	3,688
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 34,683	\$ 18,526

See accompanying notes

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
For the Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Operating Revenues:		
Other governmental agencies	\$ 280,877	\$ 203,870
Planning study services	8,885	28,880
Miscellaneous revenue	50	4,625
	<u>289,812</u>	<u>237,375</u>
Operating Expenses:		
Audit fees	2,850	4,950
Contractual services	168,984	164,064
Copier expense	3,677	8,260
Cost allocations	(1,160)	5,784
Legal fees	64,944	50,355
Liability insurance	2,669	2,831
Memberships	2,935	2,935
Office expense	1,154	1,535
Payroll taxes	1,985	1,937
Payroll fees	1,157	-
Postage	1,208	4,350
Professional and special services	7,474	23,940
Publications and notices	2,529	2,074
Transportation and travel	20,839	17,039
Telephone services	330	330
Utilities	867	-
Salaries and wages	15,075	15,977
	<u>297,517</u>	<u>306,361</u>
Loss from operations	<u>(7,705)</u>	<u>(68,986)</u>
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses):		
Contingency	(40,000)	-
Interest income	3,315	7,250
	<u>(36,685)</u>	<u>7,250</u>
Change in net assets	(44,390)	(61,736)
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>3,688</u>	<u>65,424</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ (40,702)</u>	<u>\$ 3,688</u>

See accompanying notes

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Receipts from customers	\$ 289,812	\$ 237,375
Payments to vendors	<u>(276,970)</u>	<u>(311,108)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>12,842</u>	<u>(73,733)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest received	<u>3,519</u>	<u>8,061</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>3,519</u>	<u>8,061</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	16,361	(65,672)
Cash, beginning of year	<u>17,669</u>	<u>83,341</u>
Cash, end of year	<u>\$ 34,030</u>	<u>\$ 17,669</u>
Reconciliation of loss from operations to net cash used by operating activities:		
Loss from operations	\$ (7,705)	\$ (68,986)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts and interest receivable	-	(283)
Accounts payable and advances	<u>20,547</u>	<u>(4,464)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ 12,842</u>	<u>\$ (73,733)</u>

See accompanying notes

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Nature of Organization

The Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission (the Commission) is an independent agency created in 1963, by the legislature in Santa Barbara County. The Commission works closely with citizens, the county, cities and special districts on a variety of issues concerning the organization of local governments, jurisdiction changes, and public services. The Commission's statutory purpose includes discouraging urban sprawl, preserving agricultural land, and encouraging orderly boundaries based upon local circumstances and conditions, and promoting adequate public services. From its creation in 1963 to June 30, 2001, the County of Santa Barbara funded the Commission. Beginning July 1, 2001, the *Cortese/Knox/Hertzberg Local Reorganization Act* redefined the Commission's responsibilities and established a new funding method and process. The Commission, after accounting for charges and services is now funded in equal thirds by (1) the County of Santa Barbara, (2) the cities and (3) the independent special districts in Santa Barbara. The Commission adopts its annual budget by June 15 of each year and transmits it to each of the member organizations.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A) Basis of Accounting

The Commission reports its activities as an enterprise fund, which is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise, where the intent of the Commission is that the costs of operating on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through revenues generated by the Commission. Revenues and expenses are recognized on the accrual basis, as such revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred.

Under the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Pronouncement 20, the Commission has elected to follow all GASB pronouncements and Financial Accounting Standards Board pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, except for those that conflict with GASB pronouncements.

B) Cash

For purposes of reporting in the statement of cash flows, the Commission considers all cash accounts with original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

C) Member Allocations

All member organizations are required to pay an allocation of costs of the annual Commission's budget.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D) Revenue

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses from proprietary funds include the cost of sales and services, and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

E) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

F) Net Assets

GASB No. 34 requires that the difference between assets and liabilities be reported as net assets. Net assets are classified as either invested in capital assets, net of related debt, restricted or unrestricted.

Net assets that are invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding principal of related debt. Restricted net assets are those net assets that have external constraints placed on them by creditors, grantors, contributors, laws, or regulations of other governments, or through constitutional provisions enabling legislation. Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of invested in capital assets, net of related debt, or restricted net assets. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Commission's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Note 3 - Cash

The Commission maintains all of its cash in the Santa Barbara County Treasury. The County Treasurer pools and invests the Commission's cash with other funds under its control. Interest earned on pooled investments is apportioned quarterly into participating funds based upon each fund's average daily balance.

A reconciliation and summary of cash as reported on the statement of net assets and statement of cash flows, respectively, at June 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows:

	2009	2008
Cash with the County Treasurer	\$ 34,030	\$ 17,669
Total cash	\$ 34,030	\$ 17,669

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 3 - Cash (Continued)

Investment Authorized by the California Government Code and the Entity's Investment Policy

The Commission's investment policy only authorizes investment in the local government investment pool administered by the County of Santa Barbara. The Commission's investment policy does not contain any specific provisions intended to limit the Commission's exposure to interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates.

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. Presented below is the minimum rating required by (where applicable) the California Government Code and the Commission's investment policy, and the actual rating as of the year end for each investment type.

<u>2009</u>		Minimum Legal Rating	Exempt From Disclosure	<u>Rating as of Year End</u>		
<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>			<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>Not Rated</u>
Santa Barbara County Investment Pool	\$ 34,030	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,030
Total	<u>\$ 34,030</u>		<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 34,030</u>
<u>2008</u>						
Santa Barbara County Investment Pool	\$ 17,669	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,669
Total	<u>\$ 17,669</u>		<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17,669</u>

Concentration of Credit Risk

The investment policy of the Commission contains no limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer beyond that stipulated by the California Government Code. All of the Commission's cash is held in the Santa Barbara County Investment Pool.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 3 - Cash (Continued)

Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for *investments* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The California Government Code and the Commission's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for investments. With respect to investments, custodial credit risk generally applies only to direct investments in marketable securities. Custodial credit risk does not apply to a local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools (such as Santa Barbara County Investment Pool).

Investment in Santa Barbara County Investment Pool

The Commission is a participant in the Santa Barbara County Investment Pool that is regulated by the California Government Code. The fair value of the Commission's investment in this pool is reported in the accompanying financial statements at the amounts based upon the Commission's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by the Santa Barbara County Investment Pool for the entire Santa Barbara County Investment Pool portfolio (in relation to the amortized cost of that portfolio). The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by the Santa Barbara Investment Pool, which are recorded on an amortized cost basis.

Note 4 - Contingent Liability

The Commission is involved in a lawsuit related to the completion of the Dos Pueblos Golf Course Annexation. On July 28, 2009, the trial court awarded \$185,801 in attorneys' fees against the Commission and real parties in interest. The Commission has entered into an Indemnity and Hold Harmless Agreement with the owner of the property associated with the lawsuit. Under the terms of this agreement, the property owner has agreed to reimburse the Commission for any attorney fees associated with the lawsuit. \$40,000 has been accrued in the financial statements related to this matter.

Note 5 - Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 23, 2010, the date that the financial statements were available for issuance.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
ACTUAL VS. BUDGET
For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Revenues:			
Other governmental agencies	\$ 180,030	\$ 280,877	\$ 100,847
Planning study services	27,800	8,885	(18,915)
Miscellaneous revenue	200	50	(150)
Total operating revenues	208,030	289,812	81,782
Operating Expenses:			
Audit fees	4,200	2,850	1,350
Contractual services	168,989	168,984	5
Copier expense	5,000	3,677	1,323
Cost allocations	6,000	(1,160)	7,160
Legal fees	20,000	64,944	(44,944)
Liability insurance	3,500	2,669	831
Memberships	2,935	2,935	-
Office expense	4,000	1,154	2,846
Payroll taxes	2,335	1,985	350
Payroll fees	1,745	1,157	588
Postage	4,000	1,208	2,792
Professional and special services	20,000	7,474	12,526
Publications and notices	1,000	2,529	(1,529)
Rents	3,800	-	3,800
Transportation and travel	21,000	20,839	161
Telephone services	300	330	(30)
Utilities	-	867	(867)
Salaries and wages	23,100	15,075	8,025
Total operating expenses	291,904	297,517	(5,613)
Loss from operations	(83,874)	(7,705)	76,169
Non-Operating Revenue:			
Contingency	-	(40,000)	(40,000)
Interest income	4,500	3,315	(1,185)
Total non-operating revenue	4,500	(36,685)	(1,185)
Change in net assets	\$ (79,374)	\$ (44,390)	\$ 74,984

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
ACTUAL VS. BUDGET
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Revenues:			
Other governmental agencies	\$ 203,867	\$ 203,870	\$ 3
Planning study services	27,000	28,880	1,880
Miscellaneous revenue	200	4,625	4,425
Total operating revenues	<u>231,067</u>	<u>237,375</u>	<u>6,308</u>
Operating Expenses:			
Audit fees	4,000	4,950	(950)
Contractual services	164,067	164,064	3
Copier expense	3,600	8,260	(4,660)
Cost allocations	6,000	5,784	216
Legal fees	20,000	50,355	(30,355)
Liability insurance	3,500	2,831	669
Memberships	2,300	2,935	(635)
Office expense	4,000	1,535	2,465
Payroll taxes	2,800	1,937	863
Postage	3,000	4,350	(1,350)
Professional and special services	20,000	23,940	(3,940)
Publications and notices	500	2,074	(1,574)
Rents	3,600	-	3,600
Transportation and travel	21,000	17,039	3,961
Telephone services	300	330	(30)
Salaries and wages	23,100	15,977	7,123
Total operating expenses	<u>281,767</u>	<u>306,361</u>	<u>(24,594)</u>
Loss from operations	<u>(50,700)</u>	<u>(68,986)</u>	<u>(18,286)</u>
Non-Operating Revenue:			
Interest income	<u>2,500</u>	<u>7,250</u>	<u>4,750</u>
Total non-operating revenue	<u>2,500</u>	<u>7,250</u>	<u>4,750</u>
Change in net assets	<u>\$ (48,200)</u>	<u>\$ (61,736)</u>	<u>\$ (13,536)</u>