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Local Agency Formation Commission
105 East Anapamu Street, Room 403
Santa Barbara CA 93101

Processing Fee Schedule to be Effective July 1, 2007

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission, after receiving testimony, adopt the attached Fee Schedule to be effective July 1, 2007, with any changes deemed appropriate, and direct the staff to distribute the fee schedule to local agencies and interested parties.

DISCUSSION

The Commission generates revenue from fees paid by applicants to process boundary changes, sphere modifications and out-of-agency service agreements. In April we recommended the fees be increased across the board by about 3% based on incremental inflationary changes.

The proposed fee changes as approved by the Commission on April 5 have been distributed to the County, local agencies, land use consultants and engineers for their review. To date we have received no formal comments about the proposed fees.

The current and proposed fee schedules are shown on the enclosure. Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF PROCESSING FEES
To be effective July 1, 2007

Annexations and Detachments

<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Existing Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>
Less than 5	\$ 590	\$ 610
5 to 10	825	850
10 to 25	1,170	1,200
25 +	2,400	2,500

Reorganizations:

Annexation or detachment fee plus a 20% surcharge for each additional change of organization in the application, except for detachments from the County Fire Protection District.

Formations and Incorporations	\$2,300	\$2,400
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In addition to the processing fee, the cost of preparing the comprehensive fiscal analysis shall be borne by the applicant, proponents or supporters of the incorporation.

Sphere of Influence Amendment	\$900	\$925
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Out-of-Agency Service Agreements The same fee as for an annexation.

Copies of documents 1-50 pages is \$0.25 a page; 50+ is \$0.10 page

Fee Policies:

1. Fees are not charged for proposals that result from LAFCO orders or recommendations.
2. Fees must be received before proceeding are completed.
3. A supplemental fee shall be charged for proposals that require LAFCO to conduct public hearings, including conducting authority hearings. The fee shall recover actual costs to publish notices and mail notices to landowners and registered voters as required by law.
4. Additional fees may be charged for preparing environmental documents when LAFCO is the lead agency.

5. A \$1,100 deposit payable to “County of Santa Barbara” for reviewing maps and legal descriptions must be submitted with proposals that include maps and legals. Boundary changes will be recorded only when obligations to the County Surveyor are satisfied.
6. The fee for filing a request for reconsideration shall be 50% of the original processing fee amount. The fee shall be returned to the applicant if the Commission determines that the reconsideration is required to correct a procedural defect in its earlier action.
7. The cost for the State to review the Comprehensive Fiscal Analysis for an incorporation shall be the responsibility of those requesting the review.