

MARIN LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 07-05

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE OF
THE CITY OF LARKSPUR

WHEREAS, the Marin Local Agency Formation Commission is required to periodically review and update adopted spheres of influence for each city and special district within Marin County under Government Code Section 56425; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has conducted a study of the adopted spheres of influence of local government agencies in the Ross Valley area, prepared a report, including his recommendations thereon, the report having been presented to and considered by this Commission; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing by this Commission was held on the *Ross Valley Area Service Review and Spheres of Influence* and staff's recommendations contained in that report on the date and at the time noticed thereof, and at the hearing this Commission heard and received all oral and written protests, objections and evidence which were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to hear and be heard with respect to the proposal and the Executive Officer's report.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the information contained in the Executive Officer's report, correspondence from affected agencies and information received during the public hearings, the Marin Local Agency Formation Commission **DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER** as follows:

Section 1. The sphere of influence of the City of Larkspur is hereby amended to exclude the Kentfield unincorporated area as shown on Attachment 1. Unincorporated Greenbrae and San Quentin areas remain in the sphere of influence of the City of Larkspur as shown on Attachment 1.

Section 2. The statement of determinations required by Government Code Section 56425 is as follows:

The present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open space lands.

Present and planned land uses in the adopted sphere of influence are governed by the General Plan of the City of Larkspur and the Marin Countywide Plan.

Present and planned land uses in the area designated as the sphere of influence of

the City of Larkspur include low, medium, and high density residential, commercial, institutional, and parks/open space uses. Present and planned land uses within the City's current boundaries are generally similar to adjacent land uses in areas designated as within the sphere of influence of the City of Larkspur with the exception of institutional uses present in adjacent unincorporated areas not present in the City of Larkspur.

The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area.

The territories within the City boundaries are at or nearing build-out with little land available for further development. The present need for public services and facilities within the sphere of influence as amended is primarily for existing population, land uses and infill development. The probable demand for public services and facilities over the next 25 to 30 years is not expected to exceed population growth of 15% (2000 - 2030) under the terms of adopted general plans unless San Quentin State Prison is closed and its site becomes available for redevelopment. Service and facility requirements for possible redevelopment of the San Quentin area are unknown.

The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services which the agency provides or is authorized to provide.

Projected demand for services extended to new population within the City's existing boundaries will require upgrades and expansion of City office and police facilities. City departments should be able to continue to extend services to the City's currently incorporated area and areas within its sphere of influence as amended at existing levels of service.

The decision to remove the unincorporated Kentfield from the sphere of influence of the City of Larkspur is made on the basis that these areas are separate and distinct from the City of Larkspur with independent sources of service comparable to services provided by the City of Larkspur. The unincorporated areas receive a high level of municipal services from the County of Marin, County Service Area #17, Kentfield Fire Protection District, Sanitary District #1 and Marin Municipal Water District.

The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the commission determines they are relevant to the agency.

Each of the unincorporated areas in the designated sphere is served by the same school districts and other community organizations that serve the incorporated area. Recreational and cultural programs offered by the City of

Larkspur are open to, and are patronized by, unincorporated area residents.

Section 3. Pursuant to Section 15320 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the Commission finds that this amendment of the sphere of influence of the City of Larkspur is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act because potential changes of organization arising from the amended sphere of influence will not alter the geographic area in which previously existing local government powers are exercised.

Section 4. The Executive Officer is hereby directed to mail copies of this resolution to affected local government agencies in the Ross Valley area.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Marin Local Agency Formation Commission on this 12th day of April, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Adams, Asbo, Blanchfield, Condon, Heller, McGlashan, Rodoni

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Slavitz



JEFFREY BLANCHFIELD, Chairperson

ATTEST:


PETER V. BANNING, Executive Officer

Ross Valley
Service Review and
Sphere of Influence Update
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Marin Local Agency
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Adopted Sphere of Influence, City of Larkspur

Legend

-  City of Larkspur
-  Adopted Larkspur SOI
-  Parcel Boundary
-  City Boundary

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