



**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
AGENDA REPORT**

CONSENT CALENDAR

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL: Ken Striplen

DATE: June 28, 2016

SUBJECT: JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUE RESULTING FROM THE PROPOSED WEST CREEK ANNEXATION, AND A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF WEST CREEK PARK TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA

DEPARTMENT: Administrative Services

PRESENTER: Darren Hernández

RECOMMENDED ACTION

City Council:

1. Adopt a joint resolution of negotiated exchange of property tax revenue for the proposed West Creek Annexation.
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign, subject to the approval of the City Attorney, a Park Property Transfer Agreement to accept West Creek Park into the City of Santa Clarita parks system upon completion of the West Creek Annexation.

BACKGROUND

On April 12, 2016, the City Council adopted a resolution initiating annexation proceedings for the West Creek Annexation area with the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). On April 14, 2016, the application was submitted to LAFCO.

Following the submission of the application to LAFCO, a joint resolution was drafted by the County of Los Angeles County (County) to provide for a transfer of property tax revenue from the County to the City of Santa Clarita (City) in the amount of \$481,404 identified for General Fund, and \$235,331 identified for the Public Library Fund. For each fiscal year thereafter, the proposed joint resolution provides for the transfer of specified ratios of annual property tax increment attributable to each of the respective Tax Rate Areas.

Upon approval of this matter by the City Council, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will schedule a hearing to consider the joint resolution. Subsequent steps call for up to two LAFCO hearings prior to completion of this annexation. The first is a general public hearing anticipated for early fall of 2016, followed by a "protest hearing" should it be necessary. This annexation is anticipated to be completed by the end of November 2016.

Included as a part of the annexation process is the transfer of County park land to the City. Attached is the draft Park Transfer Agreement for the West Creek Annexation, which includes West Creek Park. Upon completion of the transfer, the City will provide recreational services to the residents of the area.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION

The City Council may direct staff to terminate annexation proceedings, or direct other actions as determined by the City Council.

FISCAL IMPACT

The service expenditures related to this annexation are offset by the revenue to be collected from within the annexation area. This annexation is fiscally neutral and will not have a negative impact on the City of Santa Clarita.

ATTACHMENTS

Santa Clarita Annexation 2016-07 (West Creek) Tax Transfer Resolution
West Creek Park Transfer Draft Agreement