

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE APTOS-LA SELVA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION 10-19

A RESOLUTION TO INITIATE APPLICATION BY THE APTOS-LA SELVA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REQUESTING THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY TO PURSUE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE APTOS-LA SELVA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT WITH THE CENTRAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Aptos-La Selva Fire Protection District ("Aptos-La Selva") desires to initiate proceedings pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, California Government Code Section 56000 *et. seq.*, concurrently with the Central Fire Protection District ("Central") for the consolidation of Aptos-La Selva with Central; and,

WHEREAS, notice of intent to adopt this Resolution of Application has been given to each interested and each affected local agency; and,

WHEREAS, the affected territory proposed to be consolidated is inhabited, and is constituted by the respective boundaries of Aptos-La Selva and Central; and,

WHEREAS, Aptos-La Selva and Central exercise identical powers as authorized by the Fire Protection District Law of 1987 (California Health and Safety Code Section 13800 *et. seq.*); and,

WHEREAS, this proposal is consistent with the Sphere of Influence of Aptos-La Selva and Central; and,

WHEREAS, it is desired that the proposed consolidation of Aptos-La Selva and Central be subject to the following terms and conditions, among others:

- (1) The specific provisions of the Service Plan jointly initiated by Aptos-La Selva and Central for the affected territory;
- (2) The completed Service Plan, as jointly finalized by Aptos-La Selva and Central; and,
- (3) The paid employees and the active volunteer firefighters of Aptos-La Selva and Central will become a portion of the Successor District.
- (4) All Tax Rate Areas will be maintained and all revenue mechanisms currently existing in Aptos-La Selva and Central will be maintained post-consolidation.
- (5) Such other provisions as required by applicable law or as may be agreed by the parties.

WHEREAS, the reasons for the proposed consolidation of Aptos-La Selva Fire Protection District with Central Fire Protection District are as follows:

- (1) It will facilitate the efficient delivery of life and property saving services to individuals and property owners within the affected territory; and,

- (2) It will facilitate the continued provision of the current levels of service provided by paid and paid-call firefighters and staff of the respective districts, constant local demand expectations and available financing.

WHEREAS, this Board anticipates that the consolidation proposal is categorically exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15320(b), which exempts special district consolidations where changes in organization of local governmental agencies do not change the geographical area in which the previously existing powers are exercised, such as here; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution of initiation of reorganization proceedings as described is adopted and approved by the Board of Directors of the Aptos-La Selva Fire Protection District.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Aptos-La Selva Fire Protection District at a regular meeting thereof held on the 16th of July, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: *Dubro, Foster, Lucchesi, Sculow, Sprunk*

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dated:

ATTEST:



John Lucchesi, Board Chair

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:



William Ross, Special District Counsel

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Aaron Lowe, Fire Chief