

RESOLUTION NO. 17-\_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE FINAL ENGINEER'S  
ANNUAL LEVY REPORT, ORDERING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF  
ASSESSMENTS, ORDERING CONTINUED ACQUISITIONS AND MAINTENANCE  
FOR THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION DISTRICT  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

WHEREAS, the City Council, pursuant to the provisions of the Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972, Part 2, Division 15 of the California Streets and Highways Code, commencing with Section 22500 (Act), did by previous Resolution, order Willdan Financial Services (Engineer), to prepare and file a report in accordance with Chapter 1, Article 4, of the Act, commencing with Section 22565, in connection with the proposed levy and collection of assessments for the City of Santa Clarita Open Space Preservation District (District), for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, said Resolution was duly and legally published in the time, form, and manner as required by law and which Resolution is on file in the office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has prepared and filed with the City Clerk of the City of Santa Clarita (City Clerk), and the City Clerk has presented to the City Council such report entitled "Final Engineer's Report, City of Santa Clarita Open Space Preservation District, Fiscal Year 2017-18" (Report); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has carefully examined and reviewed the Report as presented and is satisfied with each and all of the items and documents as set forth therein, and finds that the levy has been spread in accordance with the special benefits received from the property acquisitions, improvements, operation, maintenance, and services to be performed, as set forth in said Report; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to levy and collect assessments against parcels of land within the District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018, to pay the costs and expenses of property acquisitions, operating, maintaining, and servicing the improvements within the District; and

WHEREAS, the assessment rates within the District are exempt from the assessment balloting procedures set forth in Section 4 of Proposition 218, because the District was formed by consent of the landowners, and the proposed assessments per lot or parcel are not proposed to increase by more than the assessment rates approved by the landowners at the time of annexation into the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the above recitals are all true and correct.

SECTION 2. The Final Engineer's Report as presented consists of the following:

- a. Plans and specifications describing the general nature, location, and extent of the improvements to be maintained and of the maintenance work;
- b. Estimate of the cost of maintenance of the improvements for the District for the Fiscal Year 2017-18;
- c. An annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2017-18 of the estimated costs of property acquisitions, the maintenance of open space properties and improvements to be maintained during such fiscal year, assessing the net amount upon all assessable lots and/or parcels within the District in proportion to the special benefits received; together with a formula pursuant to which such annual assessment may be adjusted annually for inflation pursuant to the Assessment Law without the necessity for additional assessment ballot procedures.

The Final Engineer's Report, as presented, is hereby approved, and is ordered to be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City Council as a permanent record and to remain open to public inspection.

SECTION 3. The Clerk of the City Council shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution, and the minutes of this meeting shall so reflect the presentation of the Assessment Engineer's Report.

SECTION 4. That the City hereby proposes an annual levy of assessments for Santa Clarita Open Space Preservation District thereon to provide for the following work:

The acquisition of open space properties, and the installation, construction, or maintenance of any authorized improvements under the Act, including, but not limited to, landscape and irrigation improvements and any facilities which are appurtenant to any of the aforementioned or which are necessary or convenient for the maintenance or servicing thereof.

SECTION 5. Following notice duly given, the City Council has held a full and fair Public Hearing regarding its Resolution approving and or amending the Report prepared in connection therewith; the levy and collection of assessments, and considered all oral and written statements, protests, and communications made or filed by interested persons.

SECTION 6. The City Council hereby finds that each and every part of the Engineer's Report is sufficient, and the City Council hereby approves, passes on, and adopts the Engineer's Report as submitted to the City Council and filed with the City Clerk.

SECTION 7. The City Council does hereby reference the Engineer's Report, which indicates the amount of the assessments, the District boundaries, description of improvements, and the methods of assessment. The Engineer's Report is on file in the office of the City Clerk, and reference to the Engineer's Report is hereby made for all particulars.

SECTION 8. The City Council hereby directs staff levy and file said assessments of \$34.50 per Benefit Unit with the County Auditor for collection with the regular property taxes for Fiscal Year 2017-18.

SECTION 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of May 2017.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES    ) ss.  
CITY OF SANTA CLARITA        )

I, Mary Cusick, City Clerk of the City of Santa Clarita, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 23rd day of May, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:            COUNCILMEMBERS:

NOES:            COUNCILMEMBERS:

ABSENT:          COUNCILMEMBERS:

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CITY CLERK