

RESOLUTION NO. LAFC 2010-12-0804-03-07

THE SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

***REVISING THE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED
INCORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ARDEN ARCADE***

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2010, the Commission approved a Resolution Making Determinations on the Incorporation of Arden Arcade;

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2010, the Commission ordered the Incorporation of Arden Arcade, subject to the confirmation of the voters, and approved the Impartial Analysis and Ballot Language for the November, 2010 ballot, and on June 25, 2010, the Commission approved revised Ballot Language;

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2010, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved a resolution directing the Registrar of Voters to place the measure on the November 2, 2010, ballot and conduct the necessary election for the proposed City of Arden Arcade;

WHEREAS, contrary to the Commission's stated intent in approving the Impartial Analysis for the proposed Incorporation, the County Registrar initially included two questions on the ballot for electing the proposed City's governing body – the first question providing for the election of a mayor, and the second question providing for the election of a six-member City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution Making Determinations was corrected administratively, with good cause, by the Executive Officer pursuant to Government Code section 56883 to allow the Registrar to correct the ballot questions;

WHEREAS, the Registrar has requested that the Impartial Analysis be amended to specifically state that the Mayor shall be initially appointed by the City Council from within its own ranks;

NOW, THEREFORE, the SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION hereby adopts the revised Impartial Analysis, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference, consistent with staff's recommendation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission that the Executive Officer shall submit this Resolution and the Revised Impartial Analysis attached hereto to the Sacramento County Registrar conducting the election.

ON A MOTION made by Commissioner *Rose*, seconded by Commissioner *Jones*, the foregoing Resolution No. LAFCo *2010-12-0804-03-07* was adopted by the SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION, on this *4th day of August 2010*, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: *Fassler, Yee, Peters, Budge, Rose, Jones and Cohn*

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: *Tooker*

By: 

Steve Cohn, Chair
SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

ATTEST:



Diane Thorpe
Commission Clerk

Attachments: Exhibit A – Impartial Analysis for the Proposed Incorporation of the City of Arden Arcade

EXHIBIT A

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS

FOR THE PROPOSED INCORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ARDEN ARCADE

This measure submits to registered voters the question of whether the community of Arden Arcade should become a general law city.

A general description of the proposed city:

All that territory bounded on the west and north by the Sacramento City limits, on the north by Auburn Boulevard and the centerline of Winding Way, on the east by the centerline of Jacob Lane and Mission Avenue and its northerly extension to the centerline of Cypress Avenue, and on the south by the centerline of the American River.

Incorporation will have no identifiable financial impacts upon residents or businesses. The incorporation will not increase taxes. Property, utility, transient occupancy taxes, other taxes, assessments, fees, and parcel charges currently levied will remain the same. The revenue from these taxes and parcel charges will be transferred to the new city and the city will be responsible for providing municipal services supported by these revenues.

Services provided include: general municipal government including, law enforcement, land use planning, building inspection, public works and animal control. Some services may be provided through contract. The incorporation does not propose to change services provided by special districts or private purveyors for water, parks, fire and other municipal services.

An independent comprehensive fiscal analysis found the proposed city to be economically feasible. This analysis was based upon the new city providing the same level of service as that provided by the County of Sacramento during the Fiscal Year 2008-09.

If approved by the voters, the incorporation would:

- Provide that the name of the city be the City of Arden Arcade.
- Create a general law city with an appointed City Manager, effective July 1, 2011.
- Provide for the election of a City Council of six members by district, and a mayor to be elected at-large commencing November 2012. At this election (November 2010) seven members shall be elected at large and the mayor appointed by the City Council from its own ranks.
- Establish a first year appropriation limit of **\$40,231,491**.

- Beginning in Fiscal Year 2012-13, and continuing until the total amount of \$219,000,000 has been paid to the County of Sacramento, the City and the County shall share the City's portion of all secured and unsecured ad valorem property taxes levied and collected pursuant to State law. This revenue neutrality payment complies with the terms and conditions of incorporation imposed by the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission, and agreed to by the incorporation proponents and the County of Sacramento.
- Confirm that existing ordinances, land uses, utility user taxes, transient occupancy taxes, fees, charges, and assessments be continued by the new city at the same rate and manner unless changed by the City Council.

Voters who believe that Arden Arcade community should be incorporated into a city on the terms set forth in the proposal should vote "yes" on this measure. Voters who believe the area should remain unincorporated and have Sacramento County continue to provide local services should vote "no" on the measure.