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**RE: SOUTHGATE RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT MUNICIPAL
SERVICE REVIEW DRAFT AND SPHERE OF INFLUENCE
UPDATE (LAFC #04-12)**

Attached is the Draft Municipal Service Review (MSR) for the Southgate Recreation and Park District. It is being circulated for public review and comment for 30 days. No change to the coterminous Sphere of Influence is proposed. The final Municipal Service Review will be brought before your Commission for consideration after this period.

The Draft is the result of collaboration with Southgate Recreation and Park District Board, management and staff. Your staff would like to recognize the Southgate Recreation and Park District for their ongoing assistance, and timely responsiveness.

The Administrative Draft makes the following preliminary determinations:

- a. Southgate Recreation and Park District effectively meets demand in its service area, but not on its revenues alone. It does so by collaborating with many public agencies, private entities and non-profit organizations throughout the community. These partnerships provide valuable resources and funds for events and programs that operate on a limited budget. They also increase access for Southgate's programs and services. Through these partnerships the District has combined common interests and developed capital projects and programs, which help to enhance the sense of community for neighborhoods in the District.

- b. The growth and population projections show that the District must continue infrastructure development to meet growth in demand. The District recognizes this imperative and has taken steps to remain abreast of growth, particularly by collaborative planning with the County of Sacramento. New and upgraded infrastructure will be financed using a variety of sources including Development Impact Fees, Quimby Act In-Lieu Fees, State, Federal and other grant funds, Property Tax Revenue, Landscaping & Lighting Assessment District funds, Mello-Roos Community Facilities District funds, debt issuance proceeds, partnerships with Southarea Recreation, Inc. and other agencies, donations, sponsorships and funds reserved for future capital projects.

- c. The District faces financial constraints from state implemented property tax shifts, but has adapted by streamlining expenses. The District coordinates with the County of Sacramento to participate in several Public Facilities Financing Plan (PFFP) programs in which developers pay fees to mitigate the impact of development. (See map: Sacramento County Planning Areas – Attachment A.3.) The District’s portion of the Development Impact Fee is used to fund park and landscape improvements in new developments. Some financing plans include open space acquisition. The County of Sacramento makes periodic updates to the fee schedules based on the construction costs at the time.

- d. Regarding government structure, the District is operated efficiently and offers salaries comparable with similar sized agencies.

District staff will be available to discuss the Draft MSR during your Commission meeting.

- Exhibit 1: Southgate Recreation and Park District Draft MSR
- Attachment A: Maps
 - 1. Location Map
 - 2. Southgate Parks and Facilities
 - 3. Southgate Planning Areas
 - 4. Southgate Financing Districts
 - Attachment B: Organization Chart
 - Attachment C: Park and Facility Guide
 - Attachment D: Summary of Programs
 - Attachment E: Assets
 - 1. Equipment
 - 2. Land
 - 3. Structures & Improvements
 - Attachment F: Schedule of Long Term Debt
 - Attachment G: Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Final Budget