



KENSINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DATE: March 1, 2025
TO: Board of Directors
RE: Joint Board/Town Hall Meeting Documents
SUBMITTED BY: Mary A. Morris-Mayorga, General Manager

Recommended Action

These items are provided for discussion only for the Boards of the Kensington Fire Protection District (KFPD) and Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District (KPPCSD) to receive feedback from the community and both boards on the reorganization documents.

Background

On January 15, 2025, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the following actions:

- “Approve motion that the KFPD finds that there are numerous benefits, including more cohesive governance, improved organizational resilience, and projected financial savings, to combining with the KPPCSD as equal partners in a reorganized district. As such, the KFPD is interested in pursuing a reorganization with the KPPCSD. Furthermore, the best way to do so, we believe, is to have the KPPCSD activate their firefighting powers and annex the KFPD, joining the boards together, whereafter the KFPD would be dissolved. We invite the KPPCSD to join us in this process if they are amenable.”
- “Approve to request staff and legal counsel, if necessary, prepare any and all material necessary for the District to make an application to LAFCO.”

In addition, the Board approved holding a Joint Board/Town Hall meeting on March 1, 2025.

The required documents have been prepared for Board member and community feedback at this meeting. Staff has worked with legal counsel and Interim General Manager David Aranda on all documents to ensure they comply with requirements for this process.

Resolution for KPPCSD Name Change

This reflects the name change for KPPCSD to the Kensington Community Services District.

Resolution Of Application to LAFCO

This contains the required language and conditions which were discussed in January.

LAFCO Application for Latent Powers

Required for the KPPCSD to exercise fire protection and emergency medical services powers.

Questionnaire for Annexations, Detachments and Reorganizations

Most of the information comes from the Fiscal Study and report of the Ad Hoc Consolidation Committee.

Plan for Service for Proposed Reorganization

Memorializes current services and the plan for providing services after reorganization. All services currently provided will continue, this plan describes the process for and demonstrates that it is feasibility to do so.

Fiscal Impact

The estimated cost of the reorganization process is \$56,000 and was included in the Consolidation Fiscal Study. There is also staff and board time required to complete the process.

Attachments:

- Draft Resolution for KPPCSD Name Change (for KPPCSD Board)
- Draft Resolution Of Application By The Board Of Directors Of The Kensington Community Services District Requesting The Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission To Initiate Proceedings For The Dissolution Of The Kensington Fire Protection District And To Authorize The Kensington Community Services District To Exercise Fire Protection, Rescue, Hazardous Materials Emergency Response, And Emergency Medical Response Services
- LAFCO Application for Latent Powers
- Questionnaire for Annexations, Detachments and Reorganizations
- Draft Plan for Service for Proposed Reorganization