ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 2006-20

APPROVING AN UPDATE TO THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE FOR THE ALAMEDA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56425 et seq. requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56425(f) requires that LAFCo review and update the adopted SOI boundaries, as necessary, not less than once every five years; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56430 requires that a municipal services review be conducted prior to or in conjunction with a SOI update; and

WHEREAS, LAFCo conducted a municipal services review of the services provided by the Alameda County Library District and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code Section 56430 on May 11, 2006; and

WHEREAS, library services will continue to be provided to all unincorporated areas and to the cities of Fremont, Newark, Union City, Albany, and Dublin. Specific library services include public access to books and other print, video and audio materials, computers, electronic resources and databases, and educational programs for children, teens, adults and seniors such as reading, tutoring and literacy programs; and

WHEREAS, the agency was formed in 1910 as an independent district and is governed by the County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Library District does not have an SOI; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use or development will occur as a result of adopting the District's SOI; and

WHEREAS, in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the location of this SOI map; and

WHEREAS, the SOI was duly considered at a public hearing held on July 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda LAFCo heard and received all oral and written protests, objections and evidence that were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to appear and be heard with respect to any matter pertaining to said action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the Alameda LAFCo hereby:

- 1. Adopt an SOI for the Alameda County Library District as generally depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto.
- 2. Consider the criteria set forth in Government Code Section 56425(e) and determine as follows:
 - a. The present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands The recommended SOI does not conflict with planned land uses. County and city policies support the provision of adequate library services for residents.

- b. The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area Services are currently being provided and need to be continued. No changes in public facilities or services provided by the District will result from this SOI update.
- c. The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide Services are generally high quality. However, some library facilities in unincorporated Alameda County are in poor condition. The San Lorenzo Library is inadequate to meet current or future library service needs. The current building is too small and does not accommodate new technologies. The Castro Valley Library is scheduled for replacement by 2009.
- d. The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the commission determines that they are relevant to the agency The District serves the unincorporated area, plus the cities of Albany, Dublin, Fremont, Newark, and Union City.
- e. The existence of agricultural preserves or other important agricultural or open space land in the area which could be considered within an agency's SOI, and the effect on maintaining the physical and economic integrity of such resources in the event that such resources are within a SOI of a local governmental agency There is substantial open space and uninhabited lands within District boundaries that do not require library services. This situation does not induce or encourage growth on agricultural or open space lands, but is needed to retain logical boundaries. No impacts upon Williamson Act protected land will occur.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided Library services will continue to be provided to all unincorporated areas and to the cities of Albany, Dublin, Fremont, Newark, and Union City,. Specific library services include public access to books and other print, video and audio materials, computers, electronic resources and databases, and educational programs for children, teens, adults and seniors such as reading, tutoring and literacy programs.
- 3. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this SOI update which adopts the District's SOI is categorically exempt under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 4. Direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption as lead agency under Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

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This Resolution was approved and adopted by the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission at a regular meeting held on July 13, 2006, at 7051 Dublin Boulevard in Dublin, California on the motion made by Commissioner Foulkes, seconded by Commissioner Kamena, and duly carried.

Ayes:	7 (Commissioners Combs, Foulkes, Steele, Miley, Lockhart, Kamena, and Sblendorio)
Noes:	0
Excused:	0
/Janet Lockhart/	

Janet Lockhart, Chair, Alameda LAFCo

By:	In While
	Brian Washington, LAFCo Legal Counsel
	IFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Alameda Agency Formation Commission, Oakland, California.
Attest:	Crystal Hishida Graff, LAFCo Executive Officer
Date:	7/27/06

Approved as to Form:

