ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 2006-24

APPROVING AN UPDATE TO THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE FOR THE
CASTRO VALLEY LIBRARY COUNTY SERVICE AREA

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 Castro Valley Library County Service Area (CSA) and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code Section 56430 on May 11, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the agency was formed in 1957 as a dependent district and is governed by the County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the District’s boundary area includes a large central portion of the unincorporated area of Castro Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Castro Library County Service Area (CSA) does not currently provide services; and

WHEREAS, there is no SOI; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use or development will occur as a result of adopting a zero 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, reduction of 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 a zero SOI for the CSA.

2. Adopt the following SOI policy:
   • Policy Recommendation #1: LAFCo should encourage the County to initiate Dissolution of CSA if not used by 2009.

3. 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 policies support the provision of adequate library services for residents.

b. The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area – The CSA population is expected to grow.

c. The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide – The CSA does not presently provide services. The library facility is over 40 years old, is in poor condition and is over-crowded. The ACLD intends to replace the facility 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 Castro Valley community uses library facilities in the area.

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 minimal open space land within the CSA. Library services are needed in existing populated areas, and do not, by themselves induce or encourage growth on agricultural or open space lands. There are no impacts on Williamson Act lands.

f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided - No services are currently provided; library services are latent.

4. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this SOI update is categorically exempt under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

5. 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

Approved as to Form:

By: __________________________

Brian Washington, LAFCo Legal Counsel

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission, Oakland, California.

Attest: _________________________ Date: 7/17/06

Crystal Hishida Graff, LAFCo Executive Officer