ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 2006-37

APPROVING THE UPDATE OF THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE FOR THE
CITY OF DUBLIN

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 City of Dublin and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code Section 56430 on May 11, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dublin provides stormwater, park, recreation, library facilities, street maintenance, and street sweeping services directly, and contracts with private companies for street light maintenance and solid waste collection services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dublin incorporated in 1982; and

WHEREAS, the City lies in the eastern portion of Alameda County, bordered by Contra Costa County to the north and the City of Pleasanton to the south; and

WHEREAS, Dublin’s SOI was established by LAFCo in 1984; and

WHEREAS, the SOI was amended once in 1990, when the upper portion of Doolan Road near Croak Road was detached from Dublin’s boundary and SOI; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use or development will occur as a result of updating the City’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 update 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. Retain the existing the SOI for the City of Dublin, which is not coterminous with its boundary, 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 – Residential land use occupies most of the city limits. There is a significant amount of open space, most of which is vacant with plans for urban uses being developed or finalized. LAFCO is currently processing a reorganization application (Fallon Crossing) to enable urban development along the eastern City limit straddling Tassajara Road. Approximately 11 percent of land within the city limits is designated for various industrial and commercial uses. Only nine percent of the City of Dublin is open space, a large amount of vacant land in Eastern Dublin is currently planned for development. In addition, a large amount of vacant is owned by Camp Parks located in the center of the City. Dublin voters adopted a western urban limit line in 2000, limiting land use west of the city limits to rural uses for a 30-year period. The City may approve General Plan amendments for residential development in this area if it makes determinations regarding utility service availability, effects on adjacent agricultural land, fiscal and aesthetic impacts. All proposed changes require a vote of the Dublin electorate. In addition, Alameda County voters adopted an urban growth boundary at the eastern end of Dublin’s 2000 planning area that limits development outside that boundary. Dublin is currently growing further east with new communities currently developed and future communities planned east of Fallon Road. The City encourages mixed use and higher density development. Dublin’s growth is expected to occur primarily in Eastern Dublin. Growth strategies include plans to increase development potential by allowing mixed uses of land with flexible development standards. The SOI is consistent with planned land uses.

b. The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area – The population in the City is expected to continue to grow. Dublin anticipates that as many as 32,500 additional residents and 28,100 additional jobs may be added in eastern Dublin in the next 20 years. In western Dublin, the City anticipates modest growth of approximately 1,000 people in the Schaefer Ranch area.

c. The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide – Municipal services provided in the city are adequate. The City conducts productivity monitoring to improve service efficiency.

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 - Economic communities include downtown, Dublin Plaza, Dublin Place and Dublin Square Center.

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 – While there are open space and agricultural lands within the existing SOI, no agricultural, open space or Williamson Act lands will be affected as no changes in the SOI, service area or provided services are proposed.

3. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update 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

Approved as to Form:

By: [Signature]

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: [Signature]

Crystal Hishida Graff, LAFCo Executive Officer

Date: 7/27/06
Exhibit A

Dublin City Limits & SOI