

RESOLUTION NO. RES-05-0135

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH OBJECTING TO THE DELETION OF
THE RANCHO DOMINGUEZ AREA FROM THE CITY OF
LONG BEACH SPHERE OF INFLUENCE

WHEREAS, the Rancho Dominguez area has been designated by the
County of Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission ("LAFCO") as being within
the Sphere of Influence ("SOI") of the City of Long Beach since the early 1970's; and

WHEREAS, such designation indicates the municipality by which the area
is most closely affected, aligned, and influenced, which provides or is able to provide
necessary municipal services, and which, in turn, the development of the area most
impacts; and

WHEREAS, Rancho Dominguez contains approximately 640 acres of
industrial land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach is significantly impacted by the
industrial development within Rancho Dominguez; and

WHEREAS, community representatives of an elementary school and
several residential areas adjacent to Rancho Dominguez have expressed support for
retaining jobs within Rancho Dominguez while recognizing the need to monitor and
control the environmental impacts of trucking, manufacturing, and loading activities
associated with those jobs; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan Update for the City of Long Beach has
identified preservation and maintenance of industrial areas as a key issue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach first attempted to annex Rancho
Dominguez in 1973, but the majority of landowners responded that they wished to
remain as County unincorporated area; and

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1 WHEREAS, while most public services are presently provided to Rancho
2 Dominguez by the County of Los Angeles, the City of Long Beach provides additional
3 Fire contract services and is prepared to provide the necessary public facilities and
4 services to support any future annexation; and

5 WHEREAS, the Draft Municipal Services Review for the Gateway Cities
6 area contains inaccurate information and flawed conclusions; and

7 WHEREAS, City of Long Beach Director of Planning and Building
8 Suzanne Frick identified these errors and stated reasons, supported by facts, why the
9 Rancho Dominguez area should remain in the City of Long Beach Sphere of Influence,
10 and submitted these comments in a letter dated November 7, 2005 to Larry J.
11 Calemine, Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation
12 Commission ("LAFCO").

13 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves
14 as follows

15 Section 1. The City Council of the City of Long Beach objects to the
16 shifting of Rancho Dominguez from the City of Long Beach Sphere of Influence to that
17 of the City of Carson.

18 Sec. 2. The City Council of the City of Long Beach adopts as its own the
19 contentions and statements made in the November 7, 2005 letter from the Director of
20 Planning and Building to the Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Local
21 Agency Formation Commission.

22 Sec. 3. The City Council of the City of Long Beach contends that the
23 proper findings to amend the Sphere of Influence cannot be made, and therefore
24 strongly urges that Rancho Dominguez remain in the Sphere of Influence of the
25 City of Long Beach, for the future benefit of the entire County.

26 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
27 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this
28 resolution, and shall forward a certified copy to the Executive Director of LAFCO for

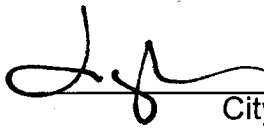
1 inclusion in the official record of the Draft Municipal Services Review for the
2 Gateway Cities.

3 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
4 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of November 15,
5 2005 by the following vote:

6 Ayes: Councilmembers: Lowenthal, Baker, Colonna,
7 O'Donnell, Richardson, Reyes Uranga,
8 Gabelich, Lerch.

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10 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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12 Absent: Councilmembers: Kell.

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