



**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, August 24, 2005**

Permit and Resource Management Department Hearing Room
2550 Ventura Avenue Santa Rosa, CA 95403
2:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS

Present H. E. Boyett, Chair
Present Paul Kelley
Present Mike Kerns
Present Debora Fudge
Present Lisa Schaffner
Present Ray Brunton
Present Gary Helfrich

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS

Absent Valerie Brown
Present Albert Giordano
Present Jean Kapolchok
Present Pamela Torliatt

STAFF

Present Steven Sharpe, Executive Officer
Present Carole Cooper, Assistant Executive Officer
Present David Hurst, Legal Counsel
Present Cynthia Olson, Clerk

1. **CALL TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR** at 2:00 p.m.

2. **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:** none

3. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

4. **REGULAR CALENDAR PUBLIC HEARING:**

4.1 File 05-13: Amendment No. 7 to the City of Petaluma Sphere of Influence and Petaluma Reorganization No. 005-05 (Ellis Creek)

Applicant: City of Petaluma

Environmental Document: Environmental Impact Report

Proposal: Request for amendment to sphere of influence of City of Petaluma and reorganization for two parcels, involving annexation to the City of Petaluma and detachment from County Service Area No. 40 (Fire Services) and County Service Area No. 41 (Multi-Services)

Location: Generally located along the west side of Lakeville Highway (State Route 116) and east of U.S. Highway 101, in southeast Petaluma

Carole Cooper reviewed the staff report and recommended that the Commission approve the proposed sphere of influence amendment and reorganization, amending the annexation boundary to include that portion of Lakeville Highway fronting the affected territory and extending westerly to the City limits. Staff further recommended that the Commission certify review and consideration of the information in the Environmental Impact Report, prepared by the City of Petaluma and certified by the Petaluma City Council, and waive protest proceedings.

The Commission asked for and received, from staff and counsel, confirmation that the City of Petaluma was agreeable to the amendment to the annexation area; that the annexation area is not subject to the Williamson Act; and that LAFCO has fulfilled its legal obligation by considering the Petaluma General Plan to address inconsistencies within the Sonoma County General Plan.

Chair Boyett opened the public hearing; seeing no one rise, he closed the public hearing.

Action: Approved as recommended by staff

Kelley: aye Kerns: aye Fudge: aye Schaffner: aye Brunton: aye Helfrich: aye Boyett: aye

Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Absent/Abstain: 0

5. **ADJOURNMENT** at 2:15 p.m.