

**ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 2006-35**

**APPROVING AN UPDATE TO THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE FOR THE
CITY OF ALAMEDA**

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

WHEREAS, the City of Alameda provides police, fire, paramedic, ambulance transport, stormwater, park, recreation, library, wastewater, street maintenance, and street sweeping services directly, and provides street light maintenance, solid waste collection and ferry operation services through contracts with private companies; and

WHEREAS, the City was incorporated in 1854 and;

WHEREAS, the City lies in the western portion of Alameda County, bordered to the north and east by the City of Oakland; is almost entirely located on one island, except for the Bay Farm Island west of the Oakland International Airport; is home to the Coast Guard Island and Alameda Point, formerly the Naval Air Station which may be developed with new businesses, housing, recreational facilities, and community and cultural services; and

WHEREAS, the SOI was established in 1983 and is coterminous with its bounds; and

WHEREAS, there have been no changes to the SOI since it was formed.

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 SOI for the City of Alameda, which is coterminous with the City's 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* –The City primarily consists of urban development, including residential, business, retail and recreational areas. Developed land is primarily residential with significant commercial that mostly consists of the Alameda Point area, and modest industrial and institutional use. No expansions of developable areas are proposed. Alameda’s growth is expected to occur only through infill development, redevelopment, and conversion and intensification opportunities throughout the community. The City’s largest redevelopment project is Alameda Point, with the addition of 15,000 new residents in the next 20 years. The SOI is coterminous with the City and 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. Alameda Point is expected to accommodate the majority of employment growth over the next 20 years. The General Plan (1991 and 2006 amendment) envisions commercial, residential and recreational development at Alameda Point and northern water front areas.
 - c. *The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide* – For the most part, municipal services provided in the city are adequate with the exception of wastewater, stormwater and library service. A Regional Water Quality Control Board order requires rehabilitation of various segments of deteriorating sanitary sewer to eliminate all instances of infiltration and inflow. In some areas, the size of stormwater pipes is too small to handle system flows. Two out of three city library facilities, West End and Bay Farm Island libraries, are in poor condition. 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* - The City is almost entirely located on one island, except for the Bay Farm Island west of the Oakland International Airport. Alameda is home to the Coast Guard Island and Alameda Point, formerly the Naval Air Station. Alameda Point is an economic community of interest with planned development with new businesses, housing, recreational facilities, and community and cultural services.
 - 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* – Most open space within the City is along its shores, including wildlife refuges, shoreline preserves and beaches. Only eight percent of total land area in the City is open space. No adverse affects on agricultural lands, open space or Williamson Act contracts are anticipated since no expansions are proposed.
3. 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.
 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:



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:

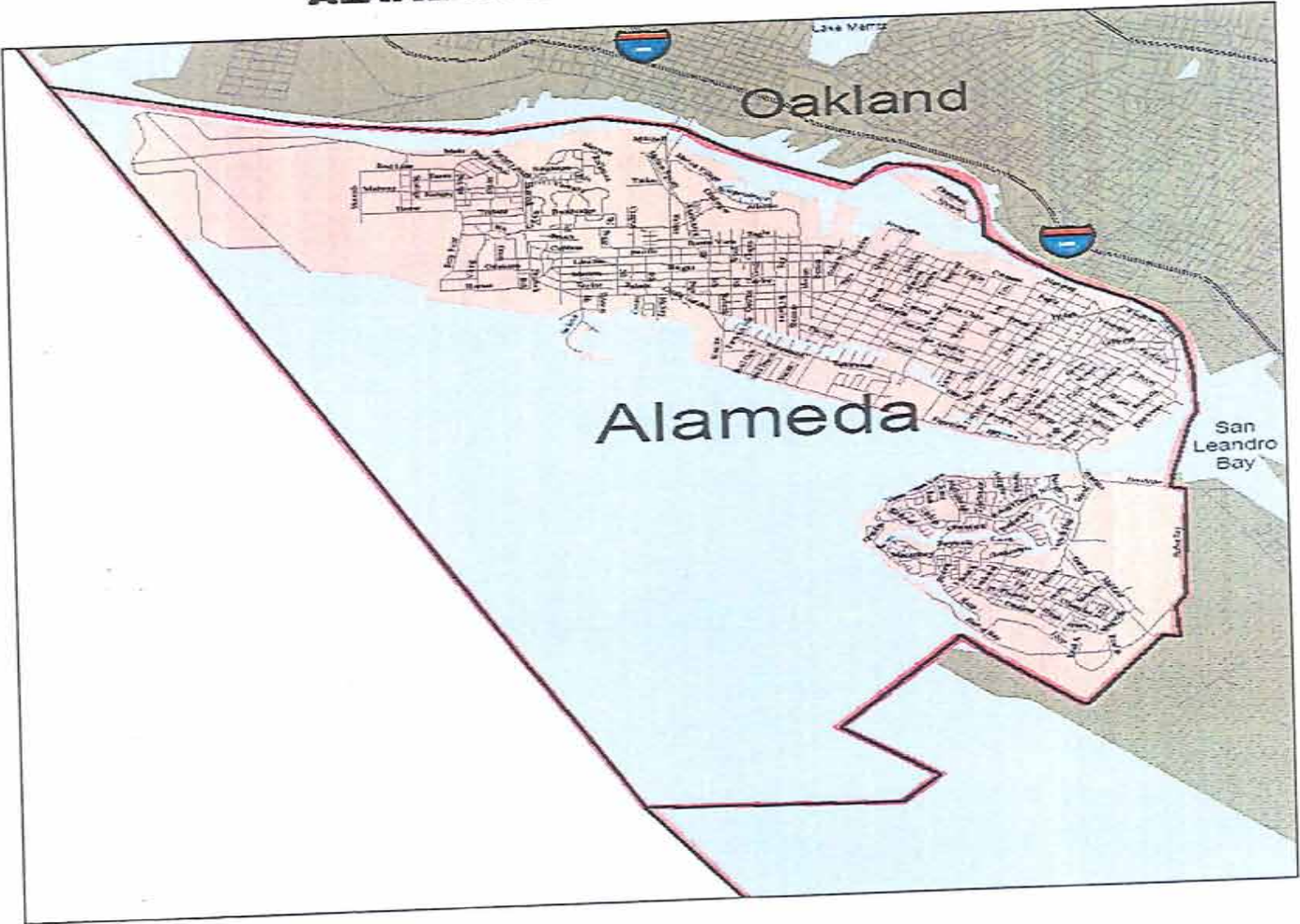

Crystal Hishida Graff, LAFCo Executive Officer

Date:

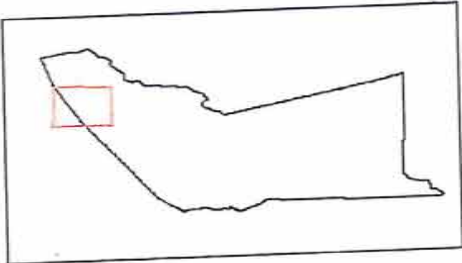
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Exhibit A

ALAMEDA CITY LIMITS & SOI

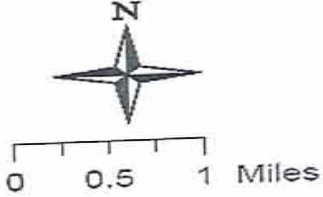


Alameda County Reference Map



Legend

- Streets
- Interstates
- City Limits
- SOI
- Hydrology
- Alameda Unincorporated



LAFCD Mapping Project - e d Systems, Spatial Division / April 2023