<u>CHANGES TO THE SANTA ANA HEIGHTS SPECIFIC PLAN</u> OR TO ASPECTS OF THE GENERAL PLAN THAT RELATE TO THE SANTA ANA HEIGHTS SPECIFIC PLAN

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is to establish a process for City staff and others to follow when staff, community groups, or residents propose a change to the Santa Ana Heights Specific Plan. A Pre-Annexation Agreement dated September 10, 2002 between the City and the County of Orange (its Board of Supervisors and the Orange County Development Agency) generally directs that written consent of the County be obtained before an amendment to the Santa Ana Heights Specific Area Plan or any changes to the City's General Plan that relate to the Santa Ana Heights Specific Plan can become effective.

POLICY

It is the policy of the City that this process be followed when considering any amendment to the Santa Ana Heights Specific Plan or any amendment to the City's General Plan that may relate to the Santa Ana Heights Specific Plan:

- A. The proponent of the amendment (City staff, City Council, the Santa Ana Heights Project Advisory Committee [PAC], or individual residents) shall request consideration of the specific amendment in writing with a letter addressed to the City, the PAC and to the Orange County Board of Supervisors.
- B. If requested by the County, the PAC shall hold a public meeting to discuss the proposed amendment. Following the public discussion, PAC shall conduct an advisory vote on the proposed amendment.
- C. The County shall be requested to offer its position on the proposed amendment in any formal, public manner that the County sees fit.
- D. If approved by the County, the City Council shall consider the proposed amendment during a regular session of the City Council. The Council's consideration of the proposed amendment shall comply with the Newport Beach Municipal Code and the City Charter as they relate to the adoption of ordinances or General Plan amendments. Nothing in this Policy obligates the City Council to approve any proposed amendment approved by PAC or the County.

E. In the Coastal Zone, no amendment to the certified Local Coastal Program shall become effective until adopted by the California Coastal Commission, pursuant to the provisions of the California Public Resources Code and the California Coastal Commission Administrative Regulations.

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