

MEETING DATE: 05/2/2023

ITEM NO: 3

DATE: April 27, 2023

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution Making Determinations and Approving the Reorganization

of an Uninhabited Area Designated as Stephenie Lane No. 4, Approximately 0.53 Acres on Property Pre-Zoned R-1:8. APN 523-25-034. Exempt Pursuant

to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3): Common Sense Exemption.

Annexation Application AN22-003. Project Location: 15974 Stephenie Lane.

Property Owner/Applicant: Ron and Daphne Watson.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) making determinations and approving the reorganization of an uninhabited area designated as Stephenie Lane No. 4, approximately 0.53 acres, located at 15974 Stephenie Lane (APN 523-25-034).

## **BACKGROUND**:

The Town has an agreement with Santa Clara County that requires annexation of any property located within the Town's Urban Service Area boundary that is either contiguous to a Town boundary or within 300 feet of a Town maintained roadway if a use is proposed to intensify. The subject property is within 300 feet of a Town boundary. Annexation has been requested in conjunction with a proposal to demolish an existing single-family residence and construct a new single-family residence on the property. The total annexation area (0.53 acres) does not include any County street right-of-way.

Section 56757 of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 gives cities in Santa Clara County the authority to annex territory without application to and hearing by the Santa Clara County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

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## **BACKGROUND** (continued):

This Annexation was introduced at the April 18, 2023 Town Council meeting and the approval of the reorganization is set for May 2, 2023.

#### **DISCUSSION**:

The Town has received a petition requesting annexation to the Town of Los Gatos from Ron and Daphne Watson, owner of the property at 15974 Stephenie Lane. The property is located on the east side of Stephenie Lane in an unincorporated County pocket (Attachment 2).

The property is in the Town's Urban Service Area, is within 300 feet of a Town boundary, and is pre-zoned R-1:8 (Single-Family Residential, 8,000 square foot minimum lot size). Annexation would allow Town services to be extended to the property and reduce the size of an existing County pocket.

Because this is a 100 percent consent, uninhabited annexation (less than twelve registered voters), a public hearing is not required. Required notice of the annexation was provided to Santa Clara County Planning and the County Library Service Area.

### **COORDINATION:**

The preparation of this report was coordinated with the Santa Clara County Infrastructure Development Division, LAFCO, Santa Clara County Assessor, Santa Clara County Surveyor, and the Santa Clara County Planning Division.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Once the annexation is certified by the State Board of Equalization, the Town will receive approximately 9.3 percent of the property taxes.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

The project is exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines under Section 15061(b)(3): Review for Exemption, in that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. A Notice of Exemption will not be filed.

### Attachments:

- 1. Resolution (includes Exhibits A and B)
- 2. Location Map