

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-158

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF ROHNERT PARK, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A RESOLUTION OF
APPLICATION TO THE SONOMA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSION FOR REORGANIZATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTH
OF MILLBRAE AVENUE, WEST OF DOWDELL AVENUE, NORTH OF
BUSINESS PARK DRIVE, AND EAST OF LANGNER AVENUE IN SONOMA
COUNTY, CA**

WHEREAS, the City of Rohnert Park adopted its General Plan in 2000;

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Rohnert Park approved an Urban Growth Boundary ("UGB") in 2000 which defines the limits of future development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rohnert Park General Plan includes properties outside of the current City limits and within the City's Sphere of Influence and UGB that are intended to be annexed to the City upon preparation of Specific Plans for these properties; and

WHEREAS, the approximately 100 acre area located south of Millbrae Avenue, west of Dowdell Avenue, north of Business Park Drive, and east of Langner Avenue is identified in the General Plan as the Northwest Specific Plan Area; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, the City of Rohnert Park, has prepared the required Northwest Specific Plan ("NWSP") and a related Final Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") for the area designated in the General Plan as the Northwest Specific Plan Area; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Specific Plan property is intended to be annexed to the City and is proposed to be rezoned "Specific Plan District (SP)" in conformance with the City's General Plan; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 56744 prohibits any annexation that would result in the creation of an unincorporated island or islands (unincorporated territory substantially surrounded by a city); and

WHEREAS, a reorganization is defined by California Government Code Section 56073 as a single proposal involving two or more changes of organization, such as annexation and detachment; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2014, the Planning Commission held a public hearing at which time the Planning Commission reviewed the project proposal and recommended approval by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law and the Rohnert Park Municipal Code, public hearing notices were mailed to all property owners within an area exceeding

a 300 foot radius of the subject property, and a public hearing was published for a minimum of 10 days prior to the first public hearing in the Community Voice; and

WHEREAS, on November 25, 2014, the City Council held a public hearing at which time interested persons had an opportunity to provide public testimony either in support of or opposition to the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has certified the Final EIR prepared for the Northwest Specific Plan Project, which includes annexation within its project description, and has otherwise carried out all requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Rohnert Park makes the following findings, determinations and recommendations as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitations are true and correct and material to this Resolution.

Section 2. Environmental Clearance. A resolution of application to the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission for reorganization of the territory depicted in **Exhibit A** is in accordance with applicable provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to the Final EIR for the Northwest Specific Plan Project. The City Council has certified approval of the Final EIR, which includes annexation within the project description, as well as the adoption of CEQA Findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations and the Mitigation Monitoring Program, as described in Resolution No. 2014-155, approved on November 25, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby adopt a Resolution of Application to the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission for Reorganization of Territory located south of Millbrae Avenue, west of Dowdell Avenue, north of Business Park Drive, and east of Langner Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with the policies of the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission, the recommended title of this proposal is "Rohnert Park Reorganization 14-1 involving Annexation to the City of Rohnert Park" and the recommended short form designation is "Northwest Area Reorganization."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT the City Council does hereby adopt the Findings stated hereinabove and approve Application No. PLAX2014-0001 and adopt a Resolution of Application to the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission for Reorganization of Territory located south of Millbrae Avenue, west of Dowdell Avenue, north of Business Park Drive, and east of Langner Avenue.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED on this 25th day of November, 2014.



CITY OF ROHNERT PARK


Joseph T. Callinan, Mayor

ATTEST:


JoAnne Buergler, City Clerk





Attachment: Exhibit A

BELFORTE: ABSENT MACKENZIE: AYE STAFFORD: AYE AHANOTU: AYE CALLINAN: AYE
AYES: (4) NOES: (0) ABSENT: (1) ABSTAIN: (0)

Annexation Map

Exhibit A - Resolution 2014-158



-  City Limits
-  Sphere of Influence (SOI)
-  Proposed Annexation Area
-  Graton Rancheria Tribal Land