

NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING

LAFCO 3269 – Reorganization to Include Annexation to the City of Chino and Detachment from County Service Area 70 and County Service Area SL-1 (Ramona Francis Annexation)

WHY AM I RECEIVING THIS NOTICE?

You are a registered voter, a landowner, or both, within the area for LAFCO 3269 and by law, you have the opportunity to protest this proposal that the Local Agency Formation Commission (“LAFCO”) approved on September 18, 2024. The proposed terms and conditions for the proposal are set forth in LAFCO Resolution No. 3407.

WHAT IS LAFCO 3269?

LAFCO 3269 is a reorganization proposal initiated by the City of Chino (“City”) that includes annexation of approximately 144.8 acres to the City in order to provide services to the Yorba Villas Residential Project with a total of 45 single-family residences on 13 acres of the total 144.8-acre reorganization area and annex the rest of the substantially surrounded island that would allow for municipal-level services to current residents and landowners and any future development through the City and its related service providers. This reorganization also includes the detachment from County Service Areas 70 and SL-1.

The overall reorganization area is generally located north and south of Francis Avenue between Norton and Yorba Avenues, within the City’s sphere of influence.

This Notice and all related documents (staff report, resolution, maps, etc.) are available on the LAFCO website at: <https://sbclafco.org/lafco-3269/>

If you have issues accessing information on the LAFCO website, please contact LAFCO at (909) 388-0480.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN AT THE PROTEST HEARING AND WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

The Executive Officer of LAFCO will conduct the Protest Hearing for LAFCO 3269, which will take place:

**Monday, November 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., at the
City of Chino, City Hall – City Council Chambers
13220 Central Avenue, Chino, CA**

At the conclusion of the protest hearing, a determination will be made whether there is sufficient landowner or registered voter protest submitted to terminate the proposal.

WHO CAN FILE A PROTEST:

Any registered voter or landowner within the proposal area may file a written protest using the official LAFCO Protest Form, usable for both landowners and registered voters. Registered voter protest must include the name of the voter, signature and address as they appear on the affidavit of voter registration. Landowner protest must include the name of landowner, signature and address of the land owned within the proposal area and/or the Assessor Parcel Number. Agents submitting protest on behalf of landowners must attach proper authorization. This may include written consent of the landowner, written consent from a trustee of property placed into a trust, signature authorization or majority shareholder consent of a corporation or LLC, or other suitable documentation. See Government Code Sections 56704, 56708 and 56710 for more information.

The protest process includes a separate count for registered voter protest and a separate count for landowner protest. If you are both a registered voter and landowner, and you wish to protest LAFCO 3269, you must complete both the landowner and registered voter sections on the Protest Form. If landowner owns multiple properties within the proposal area and wish to protest LAFCO 3269, landowner must list all properties on the form or attach a separate sheet that enumerates all the properties.

WHERE TO GET A PROTEST FORM:

If you wish to protest LAFCO 3269, you first need to obtain a Protest Form by:

- Downloading the form from the LAFCO website homepage, under Announcements: www.sbclafco.org.
- Calling the LAFCO office at (909) 388-0480 or emailing LAFCO at lafco@lafco.sbcounty.gov to have a form mailed to you. *You will need to provide your name and mailing address for delivery.*
- Picking up a form in person at the LAFCO office located at 1601 E. 3rd Street, Suite 102, San Bernardino, CA.
- Attending the Protest Hearing to be held at the City of Chino, City Hall – City Council Chambers, 13220 Central Avenue, Chino Bernardino, CA on November 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

HOW TO SUBMIT PROTEST:

All protest must be made by filling out a Protest Form and submitted:

- In person at the LAFCO Office, 1601 E. 3rd Street, Suite 102, San Bernardino, CA prior to the conclusion of the Protest Hearing on November 18, 2024.
- By mail addressed to LAFCO, 1601 E. 3rd Street, Suite 102, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0490. *If your mailed protest is postmarked by November 18, 2024 and received by LAFCO within four (4) days of a November 18, 2024 postmark, we will process, verify, and count that protest.*
- At the Protest Hearing to be held at the LAFCO Office located at City of Chino, City Hall – City Council Chambers, 13220 Central Avenue, Chino, CA on November 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

The written protest must have an original signature and dated during the official protest period, which begins on October 19, 2024 and ends on November 18, 2024. Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to October 19, 2024 received in-person after the conclusion of the Protest Hearing, or postmarked after November 18, 2024 and not received by LAFCO within four (4) days of a November 18, 2024 postmark, shall be disregarded for purposes of determining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax or email.

HOW PROTEST IS EVALUATED:

Within 30 days following the conclusion of the Protest Hearing, the Executive Officer will make a determination on whether LAFCO 3269 is terminated or approved, as follows:

- **Terminate** LAFCO 3269 if written protest is received from 50% or more of the registered voters within the reorganization area;
- **Call an election of registered voters** if written protest is received from at least 25% but less than 50% of the registered voters or if at least 25% of the landowners—who own at least 25% of the total land value—submit written protest; or,
- **Approve** LAFCO 3269 without an election if written protest is submitted from less than 25% of the voters or less than 25% of the landowners—who own less than 25% of the total land value—within the reorganization area.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact the LAFCO office at (909) 388-0480 or by email at: lafco@lafco.sbcounty.gov

Dated: October 19, 2024

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
SAMUEL MARTINEZ, Executive Officer
BY: ANGELA SCHELL, Clerk to the Commission