



# STEERING COMMITTEE

## Agenda Report

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**SUBJECT:**

AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE SEWERAGE SERVICES BY ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT TO A PORTION OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend to the Board of Directors to:

Approve the Agreement between the City of Long Beach Board of Water Commissioners and Orange County Sanitation District to provide Out of Service Area sewage collection and treatment services, in a form approved by General Counsel.

**BACKGROUND**

A certain residential territory located easterly of the San Gabriel River referred to as Island Village, annexed to the City of Long Beach (City), is geographically isolated from the City and Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts' sewer facilities. Island Village contains 185 units and produces an estimated wastewater flow of 63,500 gallons per day. Island Village is located on Westminster Boulevard and borders the City of Seal Beach.

In order for sanitary sewage to flow to the City, a pumping facility and a pipeline would need to be installed across the San Gabriel River. In the 1970s it was determined the public would be best served if the Island Village sanitary sewage were allowed to flow to the Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) collection and treatment system. An agreement was entered between the City of Long Beach and OC San in 1973 that allowed these sewerage services to be provided by OC San for Island Village. This agreement is still active and is set to expire at the end of the 2021 calendar year.

**RELEVANT STANDARDS**

- Build brand, trust, and support with policy makers and community leaders
- Maintain collaborative and cooperative relationships with regulators, stakeholders, and neighboring communities
- Operate and maintain facilities to minimize impacts on surrounding communities, including odor, noise, and lighting

**PROBLEM**

The City has no plans to build facilities that will provide collection and treatment service (via Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts) to Island Village and the existing agreement is set to expire at the end of the 2021 calendar year.

**PROPOSED SOLUTION**

Execute a new agreement with similar terms and conditions.

**TIMING CONCERNS**

The current agreement expires on December 31, 2021.

**RAMIFICATIONS OF NOT TAKING ACTION**

The City would need to build facilities to transport sanitary sewage from Island Village so it can be treated in Los Angeles County.

**PRIOR COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTIONS**

July 1972 - Adopted Resolution No. 72-97 approving the agreement with City of Long Beach.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

N/A

**CEQA**

This is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), therefore CEQA does not apply.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

As per the existing agreement, the City will annually pay OC San fees as if Island Village was within the Service Area, plus a sum of 10% of these fees. The City will collect these fees on OC San's behalf. Annual fees average \$90k/year.

**ATTACHMENT**

*The following attachment(s) may be viewed on-line at the OC San website ([www.ocsan.gov](http://www.ocsan.gov)) with the complete agenda package:*

- Draft Agreement
- Presentation

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