



BUTTE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Public Agencies, Affected Landowners, Owners of property and Registered Voters located within 300 feet of proposed project, and Interested Persons

FROM: Butte Local Agency Formation Commission

SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – February 2, 2023**

NOTICE MAILED: January 12, 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing will be held by the Butte Local Agency Formation Commission to consider the proposed annexation as submitted by the City of Chico for the project described below.

LAFCo File 23-07 – City of Chico – Depweg – Centennial Avenue Annexation No. 1

Proposed via petition by the landowner is the annexation of three (3) parcels. In order to promote a logical boundary, staff recommends that the Commission modify the proposal to include two small parcels adjacent to Manzanita Avenue owned by PG&E and the County of Butte for a total of five parcels approximately 10.5 acres in size. The site is generally located at the junction of Manzanita Avenue and Chico Canyon Road, south of Bidwell Park in eastern Chico. The proposed annexation would facilitate the extension of City of Chico municipal services, including sanitary sewer service, to the affected territory to support existing and future development; no known development is proposed at this time. As a result of the annexation, the territory would be removed from County Service Area 164 (Butte County Animal Control). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15132 (Subsequent EIRs and Negative Declarations), no subsequent environmental review is required because no new environmental effects are anticipated by the proposed annexation, nor has any new information about the annexation been revealed since the City Council Certification in April 2011 of the Chico 2030 General Plan Program Environmental EIR.

At this hearing, the Commission may either approve or disapprove this proposal or continue it to a future meeting. The Commission has the authority to amend the boundaries either to include additional parcels within proximity to the project site or to exclude properties if supported by reasonable and substantial evidence that the modification is consistent with state law and Commission policies. The Commission may also impose conditions upon the project. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 56663, Butte LAFCo intends to waive protest hearing unless written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory is received before the conclusion of the proceedings on the proposal. Previously authorized taxes, assessments, charges and fees of the City of Chico could be extended to the properties subject to the proposed annexation.

The hearing will be held on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Oroville City Council Chambers located at 1735 Montgomery Street, Oroville, CA. Pursuant to California Governor Gavin Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020, the LAFCO hearing may also be viewed virtually and can be accessed by the public via Zoom video or telephone. Please view the instructions provided on the February 2, 2023, LAFCO agenda for the most current updates related to meeting location and access.

The proposal staff report may be examined five days before the hearing at 1453 Downer Street, Suite C, Oroville, CA, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., or on the Butte LAFCo website located at www.buttelafco.org, or at the Chico branch of the Butte County Library. For more information, please contact Shannon Costa, Deputy Executive Officer, at (530) 538-7151.

