

October 4, 2023

**PROTEST HEARING RESULTS:  
Zacharias-Baldwin Master Plan Reorganization  
To the City of Patterson**

*This is an informational memo being provided to interested parties.*

On September 20, 2023, a protest hearing was held regarding the proposed Zacharias-Baldwin Master Plan Reorganization to the City of Patterson. The proposal was a request to annex approximately 1,375 acres to the City of Patterson and detach the area from the West Stanislaus Fire Protection District, West Stanislaus Irrigation District, Patterson Irrigation District, and Del Puerto Water District. The protest hearing allowed an opportunity for landowners and registered voters to submit their written opposition to the proposal.

A total of 38 written protest forms were submitted. Each of these forms were reviewed by LAFCO Staff. This process included verification of registered voter information from the County Elections Department and verification of landowner information with the current County Assessor Roll. The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act specifies the requirements for the verification and valuation of protests. Based on these calculation requirements, the following are the verified protests received:

**Registered Voters – Written Protests**

Total Registered Voters Residing Within the Annexation Area	40
Verified Protests Received	19
<b>Percent of Registered Voters Protesting</b>	<b>47.50%</b>

**Landowners – Written Protests**

Total Landowners Within the Annexation Area	38
Verified Protests Received	13.5
<b>Percent of Landowners Protesting</b>	<b>35.53%</b>
<b>Percent of Assessed Value of Land</b>	<b>11.98%</b>

Protest Hearing Outcome

**As the number of registered voter protests exceeded 25%, but is less than a majority, the proposal is now subject to an election. This information is being forwarded to the City of Patterson to call for an election of registered voters in the Zacharias-Baldwin Master Plan Reorganization area.**