

For Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015.

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MOTION

The Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC) is anticipated to act to approve a settlement agreement related to Antelope Valley groundwater rights, for Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. 4408 (Santa Clara Case No. 1-05-CV-049053). Litigation over groundwater rights in the Antelope Valley began in 1999 and eventually led to the filing of 24 separate actions filed by various parties that were consolidated into the current action.

Los Angeles World Airports is a party in the litigation, as it owns approximately 17,000 acres of land, acquired in the 1960s and 70s for future development as a regional airport. The BOAC is expected to approve the settlement agreement on February 19, 2015. Actions of the BOAC normally becomes final pursuant to Charter Section 245, which, in the case of this settlement agreement, extends the final approval date to March 3, 2015. The Court, however, has required that all parties file their approval of the settlement agreement by February 26, 2015. In order to comply with the Court deadline, it is necessary to shorten or eliminate the Council's period for review under Section 245.

Action is therefore needed to waive the Council's review of this anticipated BOAC action in order to expedite the effective date of the Board's action to approve this settlement and protect the City's interest in this matter.

I THEREFORE MOVE that, pursuant to Charter Section 245(b), the Council hereby RESOLVE to waive review of the approval of a settlement agreement by the Board of Airport Commissioners in the matter of Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. 4408 (Santa Clara Case No. 1-05-CV-049053) pertaining to Antelope Valley groundwater rights.

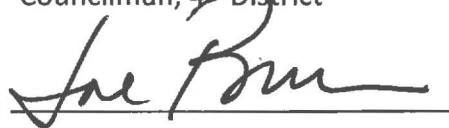
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TOM LABONGE

Councilman, 4th District

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