



*The Hollywood sign is one of the many assets that will transfer from Los Angeles to the new City of Hollywood.*

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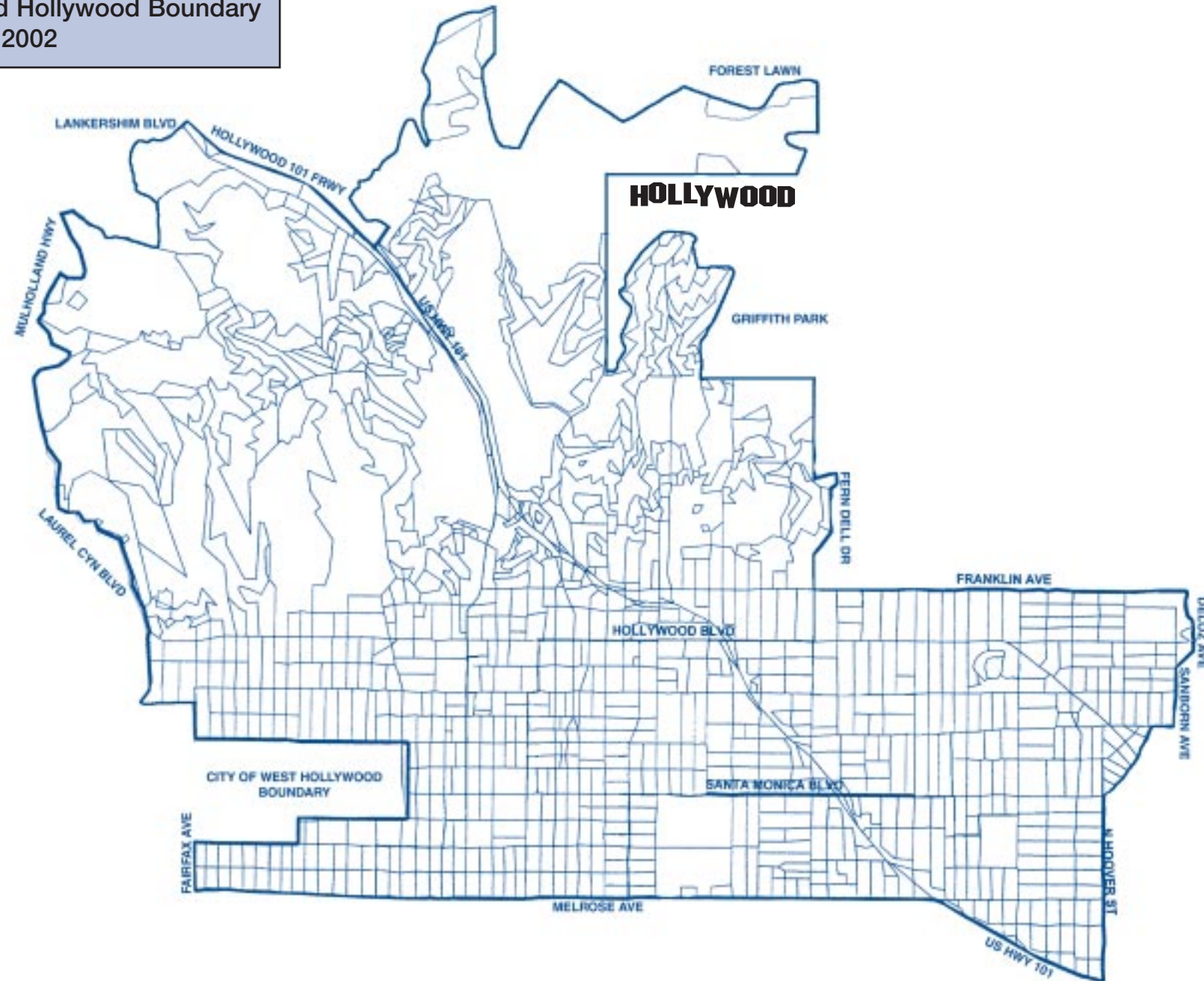


**LAFCO:**

*"Essential to the social, fiscal and economic well-being of the State of California."*

**Answers to Your Questions Concerning the Formation of an Independent City of Hollywood**

LAFCO Commission  
Adopted Hollywood Boundary  
June 5, 2002



## The LAFCO Resolution Concerning the Formation of an Independent City of Hollywood

The Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County does hereby find, determine, resolve and order as follows:

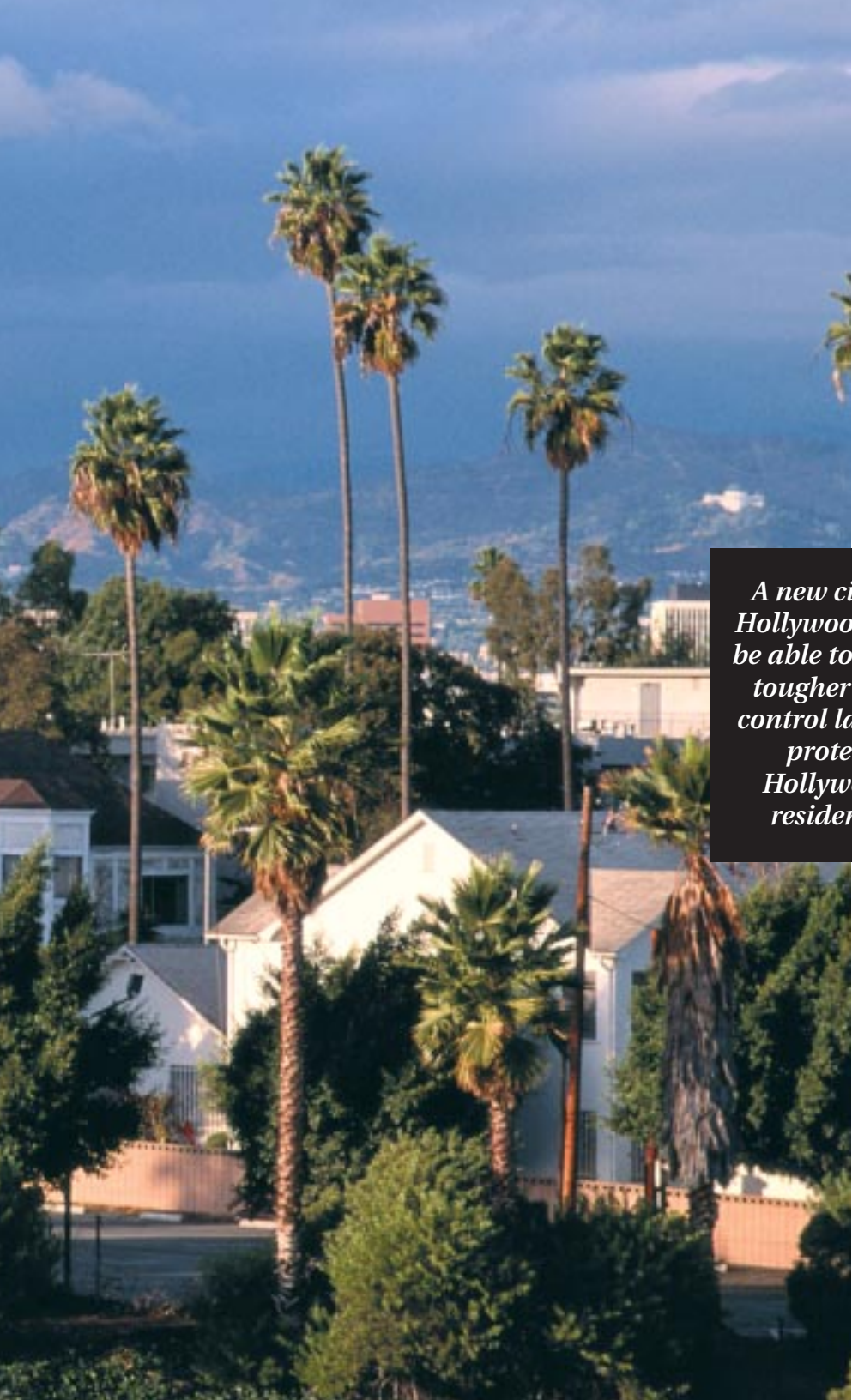
The formation of an independent City of Hollywood

- expresses a logical modification of boundaries of the City of Los Angeles for the creation of a new city within the historical boundary of the Hollywood area;
- is consistent with the general and specific plans of the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles;
- discourages urban sprawl and encourages and provides planned, well-ordered, efficient urban development patterns with appropriate consideration of preserving open-space lands;
- will not impair the achievement of Hollywood's fair share of regional housing needs as set forth in the Southern California Association of Governments' Regional Housing Needs Assessment;
- will generate sufficient revenues to provide municipal services to its residents; and
- will not have a significant adverse social and economic impact upon communities in the City of Hollywood or the remaining City of Los Angeles or any adjacent areas.

## Conclusion

The commission concluded that the new City of Hollywood's cash balance would meet the standard for reasonable reserves and that the proposed city is expected to generate reasonable reserves during the first three years following incorporation and be financially viable.

(Source: LAFCO's Executive Officer's Report on the Special Reorganization of Hollywood.)



*A new city of Hollywood will be able to enact tougher rent control laws to protect Hollywood residents.*

### Special Message for Renters!

Today, Los Angeles is facing a housing crisis of epic proportions. Nowhere is this felt more profoundly than in Hollywood, where renters make up 72% of the population

All Los Angeles city ordinances, including rent control, will transfer to the new City of Hollywood, and the new city will be able to enact tougher rent control in order to give much-needed protection to those Hollywood residents who benefit most — the poor, the elderly and the disabled.

(Source: LAFCO Resolution for Approval of the Hollywood Special Reorganization.)

### QUICK FACTS

After approval by the voters in the November 5, 2002 election, a new general law city with a population of approximately 183,713 will be incorporated on July 1, 2003.

#### The name of the new city will be the City of Hollywood.

The legislative body of the new city will consist of five (5) council members. The first election of city council members shall be held concurrently with the vote on creating an independent City of Hollywood, this November 5.

The city manager, city clerk and city treasurer of the new city will be appointed by the city council.

(Source: LAFCO Resolution for Approval of the Hollywood Special Reorganization.)

#### What is the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)?

LAFCO is the state commission that studied the Hollywood independence issue and voted overwhelmingly to place it on the ballot in the upcoming November 5 election.

This is in line with its mission of encouraging the orderly development and reorganization of local government agencies, essential to the social, fiscal and economic well-being of the State of California.

#### Who serves on the commission?

LAFCO consists of fifteen regular and alternate members appointed by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the president of the Los Angeles City Council and other local agencies.

Among the commissioners are L.A. County Supervisors Zev Yaroslavsky, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke and Don Knabe and L.A. City Council members Cindy Miscikowski and Hal Bernson and Pico Rivera Councilwoman Beatrice Proo.



Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky



Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke



Councilwoman Cindy Miscikowski



Supervisor Don Knabe

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Councilman Hal Bernson



Councilwoman Beatrice Proo

**“Hollywood is a very small community. It has its own identity. It's in keeping with other communities around Los Angeles like Santa Monica and Beverly Hills. I think one of the biggest things is that Hollywood independence doesn't damage L.A.”**

— *Cruz Bustamante*  
*Lieutenant Governor*



**“I believe that each of us deserves a local government that's accountable, a government that's efficient, and a government that's responsive to the needs of its people.”**

— *Keith Richman, M.D.*  
*Member, California State Assembly*



Lieutenant Governor  
Cruz Bustamante



State Controller  
Kathleen Connell



Assemblyman  
Keith Richman

## **Why did the commission study and vote on Hollywood independence?**

The commission acted after receiving petitions with over 40,000 signatures from Hollywood residents asking for a study of Hollywood independence.

## **Did the commission hold public hearings?**

Yes. The commission held thirty-two public hearings concerning Hollywood independence.

## **What did the commission conclude?**

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## **Have other governmental agencies studied Hollywood independence?**

Yes. The California State Controller's office reviewed Hollywood independence and determined that an independent City of Hollywood would be financially viable and would not significantly impact the city of Los Angeles.

## **Public Safety**

The Los Angeles Fire Department has agreed to contract with the new City of Hollywood, providing uninterrupted service from this world-class fire department for at least the next 20 years.

Although the men and women of the Los Angeles Police Department are among the nation's finest, Hollywood needs more officers patrolling its streets and neighborhoods. A new City of Hollywood will increase police protection by contracting with either the Los Angeles Police Department or the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for as many officers as we need to finally be safe.

## **Public Employees**

Public employees that transfer from the City of Los Angeles to the new City of Hollywood will continue to be deemed public employees. Collective bargaining agreements will remain in effect and existing retiree benefits, including but not limited to health, dental and vision care benefits, will not be diminished.

(Source: LAFCO Resolution for Approval of the Hollywood Special Reorganization.)

## **Water, Power and Wastewater Services**

After the creation of an independent City of Hollywood, the City of Los Angeles will continue providing water, power and wastewater collection and treatment services to Hollywood customers.

Further, LAFCO ordered that the City of Los Angeles shall provide the same level of utility service and charge the same utility rates to customers in the City of Hollywood as it does to customers in the City of Los Angeles.

(Source: LAFCO Resolution for Approval of the Hollywood Special Reorganization.)

## **Parks and Libraries**

Ownership of all Hollywood public parks, libraries, recreation centers and the Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center will transfer from the City of Los Angeles to the new City of Hollywood.

(Source: LAFCO Resolution for Approval of the Hollywood Special Reorganization.)

*Not even one Los Angeles city council member lives in Hollywood.*

*An independent City of Hollywood will have its own five-member city council.*

