

## SUBJECT: 1998/99 COUNTY SERVICE AREA BENEFIT ASSESSMENT RATES

Members of the Board:

Public Works has received notification from County Service Areas No. 30 (Glenwood Acres), No. 33 (Redwood Drive), No. 35 (Country Estates) and No. 44 (Sunbeam Woods) that they wish to increase the benefit assessment rate for the **1998/99** fiscal year. The proposed increases are necessary to provide sufficient funds for the ongoing maintenance of service area roads and are outlined in Attachment A.

As these County Service Area fees are considered benefit assessments, any increase in rates will have to comply with Proposition 218 procedures. These procedures require that an increase in the benefit assessment rate can only be charged if an election is held and the increase is approved by at least half of the votes cast by the property owners with the votes weighted according to the amount of the proposed assessment of each parcel. Furthermore, a public hearing must be held to consider any protests to the proposed increase. County Service Areas with no increase in the benefit assessment rate for fiscal year 1998199 will be brought before your Board for approval on April 28, 1998.

The proposed County Service Area rates are set at the specific levels requested by service area representatives and include an allowance for rates to be increased each fiscal year based on the Consumer Price Index. The rates are identified in the attached engineer's reports. Along with these engineer's reports, we have enclosed for your Board's approval the ballots, notice of public hearing and various resolutions establishing the 1998/99 rates and setting a May 5, 1998, public hearing on the proposed rates. The ballots, notice of hearing, and resolutions are all in accordance with Board established rules for conducting ballot proceedings for assessments under Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.

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It is therefore recommended that the Board of Supervisors' take the following action:

- 1. Accept and approve the engineer's reports for County Service Areas No. 30, **Glenwood** Acres, No. 33, Redwood Drive, No. 35, Country Estates and No. 44, Sunbeam Woods.
- 2. Adopt the attached Resolutions of Intention to Authorize and Levy an Assessment for Road Maintenance Operation within the various County Service Areas.
- Approve the attached notice of public hearing, ballot procedure, and ballots for the proposed increased 1998199 assessment for County Service Areas No. 30, 33, 35 and 44.
- 4. Set Tuesday, May **5**, **1998**, during the Board of Supervisors morning agenda meeting (which begins at 9:00 a.m.) as the date and time for a public hearing on the proposed increased assessment rates for County Service Areas No. **30**, **33**, **35** and 44, and direct the Clerk of the Board to publish a summary notice of the public hearing.
- Direct the Department of Public Works to mail ballots to the record owners of properties subject to the proposed assessments within County Service Areas No. 30, 33, 35 and 44.

Yours trul OHN A. FANTHAM

Director of Public Works

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Attachments

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

copy to: Public Works Department

M#00299

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ Duly seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ The following resolution is adopted

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 30, GLENWOOD ACRES FOR 1998-99 AND EACH YEAR FOLLOWING

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz makes the following recitals:

1. <u>Basic Policy</u>. This Board has heretofore conducted proceedings under the statutes authorizing the levying of Special Assessments and desires to bring its assessments for road maintenance and operations services into conformity with the provisions of Article XIIID of the California Constitution for the Fiscal Year 1998-99 and each year following.

2. <u>Engineer's Report.</u> Article XIII. On March 17, 1998, this Board received for filing a written Engineer's Report supporting the proposed assessments prepared by a registered professional engineer certified by the State of California which pursuant to Article XIII, Section 4 of the Constitution contains all of the following:

A. Identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed,

B. Determines the proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the road maintenance and operations service to be provided.

C. Determines that no assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel, and

D. Determines that the only benefits assessed are special and that the general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel.

3. <u>Resolution of Intention</u>. Based on the Engineer's Report on March 17, 1998, this Board adopted its Resolution of Intention which,

A. Set a public hearing to hear any protests pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution, and

B. Directed the Clerk to give a notice of the filing of the report and the time and place of the hearing set by it by publication and to each property owner whose property would be subject to the assessment at least 45 days before the date set for the public hearings and specified the contents of the notice, all in the manner required by law.

4. <u>Nhtice</u>lerk of this Board gave notice in the manner directed by this Board and as required by law.

5. <u>Public Hearing</u>. At the time and place set forth in the notice, this Board conducted the public hearing in the manner required by law and heard and considered all objections and protests to the report referred to in the notice, heard and determined all protests as required by law, and tabulated all ballots.

6. <u>Protest Failed</u>. The ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment did not exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, weighting the ballots according to the proportional financial obligation of the affected property.

7. <u>Hinikinin</u> the interest of County Service Area No. 30, Glenwood Acres, its inhabitants, and its property owners to levy the assessment as proposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND FOUND by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

1. <u>Findings</u>. Each of the foregoing recitals is true and correct.

2. <u>Authorization.</u> This Resolution and the benefit assessment authorized herein is adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 25210 and Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.

3. <u>Purpose of the Assessment</u>. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is levied is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area road maintenance and operations.

4. <u>Determination of Necessity</u>. The level of road maintenance and operation services which can be provided is determined to be reasonably adequate to meet current needs.

5. <u>Limitation upon Expending Assessment Proceeds</u>. Any funds collected from the benefit assessment authorized by this Resolution shall be expended only for such road maintenance and operations services to benefit the County Service Area No. 30. Any unexpended funds raised by the assessment remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried over for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.

6. <u>Aebenefit</u> assessment to raise revenue to fund road maintenance and operations services is hereby levied upon real property within the County Service Area No. 30, Glenwood Acres, excepting any common areas, unbuildable parcels, and parcels with an assessed value of \$5,000.00 or less.

7. <u>Assessment Rate.</u> For the fiscal year 1998-99 the rate of assessment is as follows:

A. The assessment rate for 1998/99 for parcels within the service area shall be:

\$250.00 per parcel

Common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or Environmental Health regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged.

For each fiscal year after 1998-99, the assessment rate may increase or decrease, B. but in any case, may not exceed \$500.00 per parcel.

> C. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law.

D. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon a flat fee for each parcel. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.

9. <u>Collection</u>. The collection of the assessment determined and levied by this Resolution shall be by the County of Santa Cruz on behalf of the County Service Area No. 30, Glenwood Acres, in the same manner, and subject to the same penalties, as other fees, charges, and taxes fixed and collected by or on behalf of all County Service Areas. The County may deduct its reasonable costs incurred for that service before resubmittal of the balance to the account of the County Service Area No. 30.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1998, by the following vote:

AYES:	SUPERVISORS
NOES:	SUPERVISORS
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS
ABSTAIN:	SUPERVISORS

Chair, Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Cruz

ATTEST:

Clerk of Said Board

Approved as to form:

Chief Assistant County Counsel

#### BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ Duly seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ The following resolution is adopted

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 33, REDWOOD DRIVE FOR 1998-99 AND EACH YEAR FOLLOWING

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz makes the following recitals:

1. <u>Basic Policy</u>. This Board has heretofore conducted proceedings under the statutes authorizing the levying of Special Assessments and desires to bring its assessments for road maintenance and operations services into conformity with the provisions of Article XIIID of the California Constitution for the Fiscal Year 1998-99 and each year following.

2. <u>Engineer's Report.</u> Article XIII. On March 17, 1998, this Board received for filing a written Engineer's Report supporting the proposed assessments prepared by a registered professional engineer certified by the State of California which pursuant to Article XIII, Section 4 of the Constitution contains all of the following:

A. Identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed,

B. Determines the proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the road maintenance and operations service to be provided.

C. Determines that no assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel, and

D. Determines that the only benefits assessed are special and that the general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel.

3. <u>Resolution of Intention</u>. Based on the Engineer's Report on March 17, 1998, this Board adopted its Resolution of Intention which,

A. Set a public hearing to hear any protests pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution, and

B. Directed the Clerk to give a notice of the filing of the report and the time and place of the hearing set by it by publication and to each property owner whose property would be subject to the assessment at least 45 days before the date set for the public hearings and specified the contents of the notice, all in the manner required by law.

4. <u>Nhtice</u>lerk of this Board gave notice in the manner directed by this Board and as required by law.

- 5. <u>Public Hearing</u>. At the time and place set forth in the notice, this Board conducted the **3** public hearing in the manner required by law and heard and considered all objections and protests to the report referred to in the notice, heard and determined all protests as required by law, and tabulated all ballots.

6. <u>Protest Failed</u>. The ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment did not exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, weighting the ballots according to the proportional financial obligation of the affected property.

7. <u>Hinikinin</u> the interest of County Service Area No. 33, Redwood Drive, its inhabitants, and its property owners to levy the assessment as proposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND FOUND by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

1. <u>Findings.</u> Each of the foregoing recitals is true and correct.

2. <u>Authorization</u>. This Resolution and the benefit assessment authorized herein is adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 25210 and Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.

3. <u>Purpose of the Assessment</u>. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is levied is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area road maintenance and operations.

4. <u>Determination of Necessity</u>. The level of road maintenance and operation services which can be provided is determined to be reasonably adequate to meet current needs,

5. <u>Limitation upon Expending Assessment Proceeds</u>. Any funds collected from the benefit assessment authorized by this Resolution shall be expended only for such road maintenance and operations services to benefit the County Service Area No. 33. Any unexpended funds raised by the assessment remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried over for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.

6. <u>Aebe</u>nefit assessment to raise revenue to fund road maintenance and operations services is hereby levied upon real property within the County Service Area No. 33, Redwood Drive, excepting any common areas, unbuildable parcels, and parcels with an assessed value of \$5,000.00 or less.

7. <u>Assessment Rate</u>. For the fiscal year 1998-99 and each year thereafter the rate of assessment is as follows:

A. The assessment rate for 1998-99 parcels within the following zones shall be:

Zone A: \$74.80 Zone B: \$100.98 Zone C: \$149.60 Zone D: \$187.00 Zone E: \$205.70

Unimproved parcels will be charged at one half the rate of the published zone rates. Common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or Environmental Health regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged.

B. For each fiscal year after 1998-99, the assessment rate <u>may</u> be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Young 14 Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would <u>not</u> increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses.

C. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law.

D. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon zones of benefit based on the length of road used to access the property. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.

9. <u>Collection</u>. The collection of the assessment determined and levied by this Resolution shall be by the County of Santa Cruz on behalf of the County Service Area No. 33, Redwood Drive, in the same manner, and subject to the same penalties, as other fees, charges, and taxes fixed and collected by or on behalf of all County Service Areas. The County may deduct its reasonable costs incurred for that service before resubmittal of the balance to the account of the County Service Area No. 33.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998, by the following vote:

AYES:	SUPERVISORS
NOES:	SUPERVISORS
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS
ABSTAIN:	SUPERVISORS

Chair, Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Cruz

ATTEST:

Clerk of Said Board

Approved as to form:

Assistant Coun

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ Duly seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ The following resolution is adopted

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 35, COUNTRY ESTATES FOR 1998-99 AND EACH YEAR FOLLOWING

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz makes the following recitals:

1. <u>Basic Policy</u>. This Board has heretofore conducted proceedings under the statutes authorizing the levying of Special Assessments and desires to bring its assessments for road maintenance and operations services into conformity with the provisions of Article XIIID of the California Constitution for the Fiscal Year 199899 and each year following.

2. <u>Engineer's Report.</u> Article XIII. On March 17, 1998, this Board received for filing a written Engineer's Report supporting the proposed assessments prepared by a registered professional engineer certified by the State of California which pursuant to Article XIII, Section 4 of the Constitution contains all of the following:

A. Identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed,

B. Determines the proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the road maintenance and operations service to be provided.

C. Determines that no assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel, and

D. Determines that the only benefits assessed are special and that the general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel.

3. <u>Resolution of Intention</u>. Based on the Engineer's Report on March 17, 1998, this Board adopted its Resolution of Intention which,

A. Set a public hearing to hear any protests pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution, and

B. Directed the Clerk to give a notice of the filing of the report and the time and place of the hearing set by it by publication and to each property owner whose property would be subject to the assessment at least 45 days before the date set for the public hearings and specified the contents of the notice, all in the manner required by law.

4. <u>Notice</u>. The Cherk of this Board gave notice in the manner directed by this Board 3 d as required by law.

5. <u>Public Hearing</u>. At the time and place set forth in the notice, this Board conducted the public hearing in the manner required by law and heard and considered all objections and protests to the report referred to in the notice, heard and determined all protests as required by law, and tabulated all ballots.

6. <u>Protest Failed</u>. The ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment did not exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, weighting the ballots according to the proportional financial obligation of the affected property.

7. <u>Hinikinin</u> the interest of County Service Area No. 35, Country Estates, its inhabitants, and its property owners to levy the assessment as proposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND FOUND by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

1. <u>Findings</u>. Each of the foregoing recitals is true and correct.

2. <u>Authorization</u>. This Resolution and the benefit assessment authorized herein is adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 252 10 and Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.

3. <u>Purpose of the Assessment</u>. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is levied is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area road maintenance and operations.

4. <u>Determination of Necessity</u>. The level of road maintenance and operation services which can be provided is determined to be reasonably adequate to meet current needs.

5. <u>Limitation upon Expending Assessment Proceeds</u>. Any funds collected from the benefit assessment authorized by this Resolution shall be expended only for such road maintenance and operations services to benefit the County Service Area No. 35. Any unexpended funds raised by the assessment remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried over for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.

6. <u>Aebenefit</u> assessment to raise revenue to fund road maintenance and operations services is hereby levied upon real property within the County Service Area No. 35, Country Estates, excepting any common areas, unbuildable parcels, and parcels with an assessed value of \$5,000.00 or less.

7. <u>Assessment Rate</u>. For the fiscal year 1998-99 and each year thereafter the rate of assessment is as follows:

A. The assessment rate for 1998-99 for all parcels shall be:

\$175.00 per parcel

Common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or Environmental Health regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged.

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For each fiscal year after 1998-99, the assessment rate may be increased by a B. percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would <u>not</u> increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses.

> C. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law.

D. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon a flat fee for each parcel. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.

<u>Collection</u>. The collection of the assessment determined and levied by this Resolution 9. shall be by the County of Santa Cruz on behalf of the County Service Area No.35, Country Estates, in the same manner, and subject to the same penalties, as other fees, charges, and taxes fixed and collected by or on behalf of all County Service Areas. The County may deduct its reasonable costs incurred for that service before resubmittal of the balance to the account of the County Service Area No. 35.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998, by the following vote:

AYES:	SUPERVISORS
NOES:	SUPERVISORS
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS
ABSTAIN:	SUPERVISORS

Chair, Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Cruz

ATTEST:

Clerk of Said Board

Approved as to form:

Chief Assistant County Counsel

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Duly seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ The following resolution is adopted

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 44, SUNBEAM WOODS FOR 1998-99 AND EACH YEAR FOLLOWING

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz makes the following recitals:

1. <u>Basic Policy</u>. This Board has heretofore conducted proceedings under the statutes authorizing the levying of Special Assessments and desires to bring its assessments for road maintenance and operations services into conformity with the provisions of Article XIIID of the California Constitution for the Fiscal Year 1998-99 and each year following.

2. <u>Engineer's Report.</u> Article XIII. On March 17, 1998, this Board received for filing a written Engineer's Report supporting the proposed assessments prepared by a registered professional engineer certified by the State of California which pursuant to Article XIII, Section 4 of the Constitution contains all of the following:

A. Identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed,

B. Determines the proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the road maintenance and operations service to be provided.

**C.** Determines that no assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel, and

D. Determines that the only benefits assessed are special and that the general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel.

3. <u>Resolution of Intention</u>. Based on the Engineer's Report on March 17, 1998, this Board adopted its Resolution of Intention which,

A. Set a public hearing to hear any protests pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution, and

B. Directed the Clerk to give a notice of the filing of the report and the time and place of the hearing set by it by publication and to each property owner whose property would be subject to the assessment at least 45 days before the date set for the public hearings and specified the contents of the notice, all in the manner required by law.

4. <u>Nhtice</u>lerk of this Board gave notice in the manner directed by this Board and as required by law.

5. <u>Public Hearing</u>. At the time and place set forth in the notice, this Board conducted the public hearing in the manner required by law and heard and considered all objections and protests to the report referred to in the notice, heard and determined all protests as required by law, and tabulated all ballots.

6. <u>Protest Failed</u>. The ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment did not exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, weighting the ballots according to the proportional financial obligation of the affected property.

7. <u>Hindsing</u> the interest of County Service Area No. 44, Sunbeam Woods, its inhabitants, and its property owners to levy the assessment as proposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND FOUND by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

1. <u>Findings.</u> Each of the foregoing recitals is true and correct.

2. <u>Authorization</u>. This Resolution and the benefit assessment authorized herein is adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 25210 and Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.

3. <u>Purpose of the Assessment</u>. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is levied is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area road maintenance and operations.

4. <u>Determination of Necessity</u>. The level of road maintenance and operation services which can be provided is determined to be reasonably adequate to meet current needs.

5. <u>Limitation unon Expending Assessment Proceeds</u>. Any funds collected from the benefit assessment authorized by this Resolution shall be expended only for such road maintenance and operations services to benefit the County Service Area No. 44. Any unexpended funds raised by the assessment remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried over for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.

6. <u>Aebenefit</u> assessment to raise revenue to fund road maintenance and operations services is hereby levied upon real property within the County Service Area No. 44, Sunbeam Woods, excepting any unimproved parcels, common areas, unbuildable parcels, and parcels with an assessed value of \$5,000.00 or less.

7. <u>Assessment Rate</u>. For the fiscal year 1998-99 and each year thereafter the rate of assessment is as follows:

\$175.00 per parcel

Unimproved parcels, common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or Environmental Health regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged.

B. For each fiscal year after 1998-99, the assessment rate <u>may</u> be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would <u>not</u> increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not

increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses.

C. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law.

D. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon a flat fee for each parcel. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.

9. <u>Collection</u>. The collection of the assessment determined and levied by this Resolution shall be by the County of Santa Cruz on behalf of the County Service Area No. 44, Sunbeam Woods, in the same manner, and subject to the same penalties, as other fees, charges, and taxes fixed and collected by or on behalf of all County Service Areas. The County may deduct its reasonable costs incurred for that service before resubmittal of the balance to the account of the County Service Area No. 44.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998, by the following vote:

AYES:	SUPERVISORS
NOES:	SUPERVISORS
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS
ABSTAIN:	SUPERVISORS

Chair, Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Cruz

ATTEST:

Clerk of Said Board

Approved as to form:

3/11/98 Chief Assistant County Counsel