SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ITEM: 3.25
(ID # 20786)
MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, January 10, 2023

FROM : OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

SUBJECT: OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Adoption of Ordinance No. 974, an Ordinance of the County of Riverside Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax Within Community Facilities District No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows). District 5. [$185,093 On-going Cost; 100% CFD No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows)] (Clerk to file Notice of Exemption; Clerk to Publish and Post) (CEQA Exempt or not a project pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines sections 15378 and 15061(b)(3))

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Find that the adoption of Ordinance No. 974 is not a project or exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines sections 15378 and 15061(b)(3) (the Common Sense Exemption); and
2. Waive further reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 974, authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax within Community Facilities District No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) of the County of Riverside; and
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file and post a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21152; and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish a summary and post a copy of Ordinance No. 974 pursuant to Government Code section 25124(b).

ACTION:Policy

Suzanne Holland
Suzanne Holland, Director of Office of Economic Development 12/14/2022

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended Ordinance 974 is adopted with waiver of the reading.

Ayes:	Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Date:	January 10, 2023
xc:	OED, MC/COBAB, Recorder

Kimberly Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: _____
Deputy

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	$ 0	$185,093	$ 0	$185,093
NET COUNTY COST	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: CFD 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) 100%			**Budget Adjustment:** N/A	
			For Fiscal Year: 23/24	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The State Legislature enacted the Mello-Roos Act of 1982, to assist public agencies in financing certain capital improvements, public services, and maintenance activities. On January 27, 2015, the Board of Supervisors revised Board Policy B-12 entitled "Land Secured Financing Districts" to include "Service and Maintenance CFDs" to fund the ongoing maintenance of landscape, storm water Best Management Practices (BMP), street lighting, or other similar improvements and set goals and policies concerning Community Facilities Districts (CFDs).

KB Home Coastal, Inc. is the Owner of Tract 36635 and petitioned the Riverside County Office of Economic Development to assist them in forming a CFD to cover the costs associated with the maintenance of public improvements within the district. The boundaries of CFD No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) will encompass the entire Tract Map No. 36635, which is projected to include 271 single family dwelling units.

As approved by voters, a special tax is to be levied on each individual parcel located within the boundary of the CFD to fund the costs associated with (i) Landscaping improvements that may include but are not limited to all landscaping material and facilities within the CFD. These improvements include turf, ground cover, shrubs, trees, plants, irrigation and drainage system, ornamental lighting, masonry walls or other fencing, and trail maintenance (ii) Street lighting maintenance, which includes energy charges, operation, maintenance, and administration of street lighting located within the designated boundaries of the CFD (iii) Traffic signal maintenance, which includes energy charges, operation, maintenance, and administrative costs of traffic signal within the boundaries of the CFD (iv) Administration, inspection, and maintenance of all stormwater facilities and BMPs to include: water quality basins, fossil filters, basin forebays, and all other NPDES/WQMP/BMP related devices and structures as approved and accepted by the Community Facilities District; administration includes, but is not limited to, quality control and assurance of inspections and maintenance, general contract management, scheduling of inspections and maintenance, and general oversight of all NPDES/WQMP/BMP operations; inspection includes, but is not limited to, travel time, visual inspection process and procedures for functionality, GPS location recording, assurance of proper vegetation, functioning irrigation, and citing operational or structural deficiencies, erosion, trash, silt and sediment build-up; and maintenance includes, but is not limited to, repair or replacement of any

deficiencies noted during inspection, weed control and abatement, trash removal, and healthy upkeep of required plant materials.

The special tax is levied according to a Rate and Method of Apportionment (RMA) which is developed with respect to the specific features of the residential development within the District and which is approved by the eligible voters and later adopted by ordinance. The special tax levy is annually placed on the tax roll for each Assessor Parcel Number noted in the CFD Boundary Map.

On October 25, 2022, the County of Riverside Board of Supervisors approved agenda item 3.17 and Resolution No. 2022-191, a resolution of intention as the initial step for forming the CFD and declared the intention of the Board of Supervisors as required by the Mello-Roos Act of 1982 to levy a special tax to fund the service and maintenance functions requested by the Developer.

On November 29, 2022 (Agenda Item 19.1), the County of Riverside Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to receive public comments and conduct a majority protest hearing concerning the establishment of the CFD and the levy of the special tax. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2022-217, the Resolution of Formation of the CFD, which also authorized the levy of a special tax within the CFD subject to voter approval during a duly called election held that same day.

On December 13, 2022 (Agenda Item 3.29), the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2022-218 declaring the results of the election regarding the proposed special tax and finding that 100% of the votes cast were in favor of the levy of the special tax. In addition, the Board introduced Riverside County Ordinance No. 974 authorizing the levy of the special tax pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment approved by the voters. By today's action, the Board will formally adopt the special tax ordinance and levy the special tax.

The direct effects of the adoption of Ordinance No. 974 to levy a special tax within Nuevo Meadows CFD would not constitute a project as defined by State CEQA Guidelines sections 21065 and 15378. Section 15378 (b) provides a list of five activities that are not considered a project under CEQA. The proposed Ordinance would qualify under two conditions identified in Section 15378 (b): (4) the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment and (5) organizational or administrative activity of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment. The adoption of the Ordinance by the Board satisfies these conditions as the Ordinance would provide a funding mechanism to provide ongoing maintenance of existing buildings that would not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment. Based on the above conditions, the adoption of the Ordinance is not a project as defined by State CEQA Guidelines sections 21065 and 15378. The adoption of the ordinance is limited to the creation of a special tax ordinance to provide an alternative mechanism for financing

maintenance activities involving the operation, maintenance, repair, and minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features. Those existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features were already separately analyzed under prior CEQA documents as part of Tract 36635. As a result, the adoption of the ordinance would not result in significant physical impact on the environment since it would not include any changes to the existing land use or a physical degradation of the property and any such impacts would have already been previously analyzed under CEQA as part of Tract 36635.

Ordinance No. 974 is also exempt under State CEQA Guidelines section 15061 (b) (3) – "Common Sense" Exemption: In accordance with CEQA, the use of the Common Sense Exemption is based on the "general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment." State CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b) (3). The use of this exemption is appropriate if "it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment." Ibid. This determination is an issue of fact and if sufficient evidence exists in the record that the activity cannot have a significant effect on the environment, then the exemption applies and no further evaluation under CEQA is required. See No Oil, Inc. v. City of Los Angeles (1974) 13 Cal. 3d 68. The ruling in this case stated that if a project falls within a category exempt by administrative regulation or 'it can be seen with certainty that the activity in question will not have a significant effect on the environment', no further agency evaluation is required. With certainty, there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. The adoption of the ordinance is limited to the creation of a special tax ordinance to provide an alternative mechanism for financing maintenance activities involving the operation, maintenance, repair, and minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, which were already separately analyzed previously under CEQA as part of Tract 36635. As a result, there is no possibility the adoption of the ordinance would not result in any reasonably foreseeable environmental effects and any such impacts would have been previously analyzed under prior CEQA documents as part of Tract 36635. Therefore, in no way, would the project as proposed have the potential to cause a significant environmental impact and the project is exempt from further CEQA analysis.

County Counsel has approved the ordinance as to form.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The voters within the CFD have voted to authorize the special tax levied by Riverside County Ordinance No. 974 on real property within the CFD to provide funds for authorized maintenance and service activities. The property owners within the CFD will be favorably impacted by the levy of the special tax and the associated maintenance and service activities it funds.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Riverside County Ordinance No. 974

- CEQA Notice of Exemption
- Summary of Ordinance
- CFD 22-4M Recorded Boundary Map

Scott Bruckner 12/30/2022

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

December 19, 2022

Project Name: Office of Economic Development, Community Facilities District (CFD) No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) of the County of Riverside; Adoption of Ordinance No. 974, an Ordinance of the County of Riverside Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax Within the Nuevo Meadows CFD

Project Number: ED99122005

Project Location: Community Facilities District No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) of the County of Riverside

Description of Project: On January 27, 2015, the Board of Supervisors revised Board Policy B-12 entitled "Land Secured Financing Districts" to include "Service and Maintenance CFDs" to fund the ongoing maintenance of landscape, storm water Best Management Practices (BMP), street lighting, or other similar improvements and set goals and policies concerning Community Facilities Districts (CFD). As approved by voters, a special tax is to be levied on each individual parcel located within the boundary of the CFD to fund the costs associated with services for authorized stormwater facilities and BMPs, street lighting and traffic signal services. The special tax is levied according to a Rate and Method of Apportionment which is developed with respect to the specific features of the particular development within the District and which is approved by the eligible voters and later adopted by ordinance. The special tax levy is annually placed on the tax roll for each Assessor Parcel Number noted in the CFD Boundary Map. KB Home Coastal, Inc., is the Developer of Tracts 36635 and has petitioned the Riverside County Office of Economic Development to include their property into proposed Community Facilities District 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows). The boundaries of CFD No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) will encompass the entire Tract No. 36635, which includes 271 single family dwelling units, none of which are currently occupied. As approved by voters, a special tax is to be levied on each individual parcel located within the boundary of the CFD to fund the costs associated with stormwater facilities and BMPs, street lighting and traffic signal (including energy charges, operation, administrative maintenance, and costs within the boundaries of the CFD.

On October 25, 2022, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 2022-191, a resolution of intention, as the initial step for forming the CFD and declaring the Board's intention to levy a special tax to fund the of Intention to establish a CFD for Nuevo Meadows in order to authorize the levy of special taxes to fund, pay for, and finance authorized maintenance and service activities.

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On November 29, 2022, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to receive public comments and conduct a majority protest hearing concerning the establishment of the CFD and the levy of the special tax. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2022-217, the resolution of formation of the CFD, authorizing the levy of a special tax within the CFD for authorized maintenance of landscaping, lighting, traffic signal maintenance, drainage and trail maintenance, Calling a Special Election to submit to the Respective Qualified Voters the Question of Levying Such Special Tax and Establishing an Appropriations Limit for Said District; and Designating the Election Official For Such Matters. Under the same agenda item, the required CFD report, Certificate of Registrar of Voters stating there are fewer than twelve registered voters, and Concurrence of Election Official in Date of Special Election were all received and filed.

The Statement of the Election Official regarding the Canvass of the Election declares the election results which were 79 'YES' votes for Proposition A and Proposition B as described in Section 14 of Resolution No. 2022-217 (adopted on 11/29/2022). Adoption of proposed Resolution No. 2022-217, a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, will declare the results of the Consolidated Special Election within the boundary of Community Facilities District 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows). Proposed County Ordinance No. 974 would authorize and levy special taxes within the boundaries of Community Facilities District 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows).

Riverside County Ordinance No. 974, which authorizes the levy of a special tax within the Nuevo Meadows CFD to fund services for maintenance and service activities, was reviewed and determined to be not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 15378. The Ordinance includes the creation of a funding mechanism to provide maintenance and service activities within the CFD. No additional direct or indirect physical environmental impacts are anticipated from the provision of maintenance services identified in the Riverside County Ordinance No. 974.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Riverside

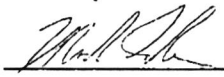
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Riverside Office of Economic Development

Exempt Status: Not a project as defined in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 21065 and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378; Section 15061(b) (3), General Rule or "Common Sense" Exemption. Codified under Public Resources Code Division 13, Chapter 2.5, Section 21065, and California Code of Regulations Title 14, Articles 5 and 20, Sections 15061 and 15378.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The direct effects of the adoption of the Ordinance to levy a special tax within Nuevo Meadows CFD would not constitute a project as defined by CEQA Section 21065 and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378. Section 15378 (b) provides a list of five activities that are not considered a project under CEQA. The proposed Ordinance would qualify under two conditions identified in Section 15378 (b): (4) the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment and (5) organizational or administrative activity of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment. The adoption of the Ordinance by the Board satisfies these conditions as the Ordinance would provide a funding mechanism to provide ongoing maintenance of existing buildings that would not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment. Based on the above conditions, the adoption of the Ordinance is not a project as defined by CEQA Section 21065 and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378. The adoption of the ordinance is limited to the creation of a special tax ordinance to provide an alternative mechanism for financing maintenance activities involving the operation, maintenance, repair, and minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features. Those existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features were already separately analyzed under prior CEQA documents as part of Tract 36635. As a result, the adoption of the ordinance would not result in significant physical impact on the environment since it would not include any changes to the existing land use or a physical degradation of the property and any such impacts would have already been previously analyzed under CEQA as part of Tract 36635.

- **Section 15061 (b) (3) – "Common Sense" Exemption:** In accordance with CEQA, the use of the Common Sense Exemption is based on the "general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment." State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b) (3). The use of this exemption is appropriate if "it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment." *Ibid.* This determination is an issue of fact and if sufficient evidence exists in the record that the activity cannot have a significant effect on the environment, then the exemption applies and no further evaluation under CEQA is required. See *No Oil, Inc. v. City of Los Angeles* (1974) 13 Cal. 3d 68. The ruling in this case stated that if a project falls within a category exempt by administrative regulation or 'it can be seen with certainty that the activity in question will not have a significant effect on the environment', no further agency evaluation is required. With certainty, there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. The adoption of the ordinance is limited to the creation of a special tax ordinance to provide an alternative mechanism for financing maintenance activities involving the operation, maintenance, repair, and minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, which were already separately analyzed previously under CEQA as part of Tract 36635. As a result, there is no possibility the adoption of the ordinance would not result in any reasonably foreseeable environmental effects and any such impacts would have been previously analyzed under prior CEQA documents as part of Tract 36635. Therefore, in no way, would the project as proposed have the potential to cause a significant environmental impact and the project is exempt from further CEQA analysis.

Therefore, the County of Riverside hereby concludes that no physical environmental impacts are anticipated to occur and the project as proposed is exempt under CEQA. No further environmental analysis is warranted.

Signed:  **Date:** 12-19-2022

Mike Sullivan, Senior Environmental Planner
Senior Environmental Planner, County of Riverside

ORDINANCE NO. 974

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF A SPECIAL TAX WITHIN

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 22-4M (NUEVO MEADOWS)

OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside ordains as follows:

Section 1. FINDINGS. The Board of Supervisors finds that:

a. Pursuant to the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended, (the "Act"), commencing with Section 53311 of the California Government Code (the "Government Code"), on October 25, 2022, the Board of Supervisors (the "Board of Supervisors") of the County of Riverside (the "County") adopted Resolution No. 2022-191 (the "Resolution of Intention"), stating its intention to establish a community facilities district proposed to be named Community Facilities District No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) of the County of Riverside (the "District"), and to authorize the levy of special taxes to fund, pay for, and finance authorized administration, inspection, and maintenance of all landscaping, lighting, traffic signal maintenance, drainage, and trail maintenance (as specified and reflected in the Resolution of Intention, the Resolution of Formation, and the Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax) (the "Services") and to pay expenses incidental thereto and incidental to the levy and collection of the special taxes, so long as the special taxes are needed to fund the Services, and setting November 29, 2022 as the date for a public hearing to be held on the establishment of the District.

b. On November 29, 2022, the Board of Supervisors opened, conducted, and closed said public hearing. At said public hearing, all persons desiring to be heard on all matters pertaining to the proposed establishment of the District, the furnishing of the Services, and the proposed levy of an annual special tax were heard. Written protests, if any, were received, and a full and fair hearing was held.

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c. Subsequent to said public hearing, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2022-217 (the "Resolution of Formation"), establishing the District, authorizing the levy of a special tax within the District to fund the Services, subject to voter approval, establishing an annual appropriations limit of $4,000,000 for the District, subject to voter approval, and calling a special election for the District for November 29, 2022 on the propositions to levy a special tax within the District and to establish an appropriations limit for the District.

d. Pursuant to the terms of the Resolution of Formation and the provisions of the Act, said special election was held on November 29, 2022. Each of the propositions was approved by more than two-thirds of the votes cast at said special election.

e. Pursuant to the Act, the Board of Supervisors is the *ex officio* legislative body (the "Legislative Body") of the District.

Section 2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for the levy of a special tax within the District.

Section 3. AUTHORITY. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Sections 53328 and 53340 of the California Government Code, which authorizes counties to adopt ordinances to levy special taxes at the rate and in accordance with the method of apportionment specified in the resolution of formation of the community facilities district.

Section 4. LEVY OF SPECIAL TAXES.

a. By the passage of this Ordinance, the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and levies special taxes within the District pursuant to Sections 53328 and 53340 of the Government Code, at the rate and in accordance with the method of apportionment (the "Rate and Method") set forth in the Resolution of Formation and attached as Exhibit A hereto and made a part hereof. The special taxes are hereby levied commencing in the fiscal year 2022-2023 and in each fiscal year thereafter for the period necessary to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement (as defined in the Rate and Method) and until action is taken by the Board of Supervisors, acting as the Legislative Body of the District, to dissolve the District.

b. The Board of Supervisors, acting as the Legislative Body of the District, is hereby authorized and directed each fiscal year to determine, or cause to be determined, the specific

special tax rate and amount to be levied for the next ensuing fiscal year for each parcel of real property within the District, in the manner and as provided in the Rate and Method.

c. All of the collections of the special tax shall be used as provided for in the Act, the Rate and Method and the Resolution of Formation, including, but not limited to, to fund, pay for, and finance authorized administration, inspection, and maintenance of landscaping, lighting, traffic signal maintenance, drainage, trail maintenance and to pay expenses incidental thereto, so long as the special taxes are needed to fund such services; to replenish the reserve fund for the District; to pay the costs of administering the District, and to pay the costs of collecting and administering the special tax.

d. The special taxes shall be collected from time to time as necessary to meet the financial obligations of the District on the secured real property tax roll in the same manner as ordinary *ad valorem* taxes are collected, or may be collected in such other manner as set forth in the Rate and Method. The special taxes shall have the same lien priority, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in cases of delinquency as provided for *ad valorem* taxes. The Board of Supervisors, acting as the Legislative Body of the District, is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary in order to affect the proper billing and collection of the special tax, so that the special tax shall be levied and collected in sufficient amounts and at the times necessary to satisfy the financial obligations of the District in each fiscal year.

e. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board of Supervisors, acting as the Legislative Body of the District, may collect, or cause to be collected, one or more installments of the special taxes by means of direct billing by the District of the property owners within the District if, in the judgment of the Legislative body, such means of collection will reduce the burden of administering the District or is otherwise appropriate in the circumstances. In such event, the special taxes shall become delinquent if not paid when due as set forth in any such respective billing to the property owners.

Section 5. EXEMPTIONS. Properties or entities of the state, federal or other local governments shall be exempt from any levy of the special taxes, to the extent set forth in the Rate and Method. In no event shall the special taxes be levied on any parcel within the District in excess of the maximum tax specified in the Rate and Method.

Section 6. SEVERABILITY. If for any reason any portion of this ordinance is found to be invalid, or if the special tax is found inapplicable to any particular parcel within the District, by a court of competent jurisdiction, the balance of this ordinance and the application of the special tax to the remaining parcels within the District shall not be affected.

Section 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance relating to the levy and collection of special taxes in the District shall take effect immediately upon its passage in accordance with the provisions of Section 25123(c) of the Government Code. The Chair of the Board of Supervisors shall sign this ordinance, and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall attest to the Chair's signature and then cause a summary of the same to be published within 15 days after its passage at least once in *The Press-Enterprise*, a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the area of the District.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY
OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By: _____
Chair of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: KIMBERLY A. RECTOR
CLERK OF THE BOARD:

By: _____
Deputy

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: _____
Sarah Moore
Deputy County Counsel

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said county held on January 10 , 2023, the foregoing ordinance consisting of 7 Sections was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

DATE: January 10, 2023

KIMBERLY RECTOR
Clerk of the Board

BY: Deputy

SEAL

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EXHIBIT A

RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX FOR COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 22-4M (NUEVO MEADOWS) OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

A Special Tax (all capitalized terms are defined in Section A. Definitions, below) shall be applicable to each Parcel of Taxable Property located within the boundaries of Community Facilities District (CFD) No. 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) (the "CFD 22-4M"; defined below). The amount of Special Tax to be levied on a Parcel in each Fiscal Year, commencing in Fiscal Year 2022-2023, shall be determined by the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, acting in its capacity as the legislative body of the CFD by applying the appropriate Special Tax as set forth in Sections B., C., and D., below. All property within the CFD, unless exempted by law or by the provisions of Section E., below, shall be taxed for the purposes, to the extent, and in the manner herein provided.

A. DEFINITIONS

The terms hereinafter set forth have the following meanings:

"Accessory Dwelling Unit(s)" means a residential unit of limited size, as defined in California Government Code Section 65852.2 that shares an Assessor's Parcel Number with Single-Family Property.

"Acre" or **"Acreage"** means the land area of a Parcel as shown on the most recent Assessor's Parcel Map, or if the land area is not shown on the Assessor's Parcel Map, the land area shown on the applicable Final Map, condominium plan, or other recorded County map. If the preceding maps are not available, the Acreage of an Assessor's Parcel Number may be determined utilizing GIS. The square footage of a Parcel is equal to the Acreage of such Parcel multiplied by 43,560.

"Act" means the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended, being Chapter 2.5 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code of the State of California.

"Administrative Expenses" means all actual or reasonably estimated costs and expenses of the CFD that are chargeable or allocable to carry out the duties of the Administrator of the CFD as allowed by the Act, which shall include without limitation, all costs and expenses arising out of or resulting from the annual levy and collection of the Special Tax (whether by the County or designee thereof, or both), any litigation or appeal involving the CFD, and other administrative expenses of the County or designee thereof, or both, directly related to the CFD. Administrative Expenses shall also include amounts estimated or advanced by the County or CFD for attorney's fees and other costs related to commencing and pursuing to completion any foreclosure as a result of delinquent Special Taxes.

"Administrator" means an official of the County, or designee thereof, responsible for determining the Special Tax Requirement and providing for the levy and collection of the Special Taxes.

"Approved Property" means all Parcels of Taxable Property: (i) that are included in a Final Map that was recorded prior to the January 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, and (ii) that have not been issued a Building Permit(s) prior to the April 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied.

"Assessor" means the Assessor of the County.

"Assessor's Parcel Map" means an official map of the Assessor of the County designating a Parcel by an Assessor's Parcel Number.

"Assessor's Parcel Number" means the number assigned to a lot or Parcel for purposes of identification as determined from an Assessor Parcel Map.

"Board" means Riverside County Board of Supervisors, acting in its capacity as the legislative body of the CFD.

"Boundary Map" means a recorded map of the CFD which indicates by a boundary line the extent of the territory within the CFD identified to be subject to the levy of Special Taxes.

"Building Permit(s)" means a legal document(s) issued by a local agency that allows for new vertical construction of a building or buildings.

"Certificate of Occupancy" means a certificate of occupancy issued by the County in accordance with all applicable ordinances, regulations, and rule of the County and State Law.

"CFD" or "CFD 22-4M" means Community Facilities District 22-4M (Nuevo Meadows) of the County of Riverside.

"Consumer Price Index" means the cumulative percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics for All Urban Consumers in the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Area, as it stands in March of each year over the preceding Fiscal Year. In the event this index ceases to be published, the Consumer Price Index shall be another index as determined by the Administrator that is reasonably comparable to the Consumer Price Index for the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Area. In the event that the percentage change in the annualized CPI is negative, the Special Tax shall not be decreased.

"County" means the County of Riverside, California.

"Developed Property" means for each Fiscal Year, all Parcels of Taxable Property: (i) that are included in a Final Map that was recorded prior to January 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, and (ii) for which a Building Permit(s) for vertical construction has been issued prior to April 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied.

"Development Class" means either Developed Property, Approved Property, Taxable Property Owner's Association Property, Taxable Public Property, or Undeveloped property.

"Dwelling Unit(s)" or "(D/U)" means a residential building(s) that is used or intended to be used as a domicile by one or more persons, as determined by the Administrator. An Accessory Dwelling Unit shall not be considered a separate Taxable Unit for purposes of calculating the Special Tax.

"Exempt Property" means any Parcel which is exempt from Special Taxes pursuant to Section E., below.

"Final Map" means a subdivision of property by recordation of a tract map, parcel map or lot line adjustment, pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act (California Government Code Section 66410 *et seq.*) or recordation of a condominium plan pursuant to California Civil Code 4200 that creates individual lots for which Building Permit(s) may be issued without further subdivision.

"Fiscal Year" means the 12-month period starting on July 1 of any calendar year and ending the following June 30.

"Maximum Special Tax" means for each Parcel in each Fiscal Year, the greatest amount of Special Tax, determined in accordance with Section C., below, which may be levied on such Parcel in each Fiscal Year.

"Multi-family Residential Property" means all Parcels of Residential Property that consist of a two or more buildings comprised of attached Dwelling Units available for rental by the general public, not for sale to an end user, and under common management. An Accessory Dwelling Unit that may be rented and under common management does not qualify as Multifamily Residential Property.

"Non-Residential Property" means all Parcels of Developed Property for which a Building Permit(s) was issued permitting the construction of one or more non-residential structures.

"Parcel" means a lot or parcel within the CFD shown on an Assessor's Parcel Map with an assigned Assessor's Parcel Number valid as of July 1st for the Fiscal Year for which the Special Tax is being levied.

"Property Owner's Association Property" means all Parcels which have been conveyed, dedicated to, or irrevocably offered for dedication to a home-owner's association, condominium owner's association or any master or sub-association, prior to April 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied.

"Proportionately" means for each Parcel of Taxable Property that are Developed Property, Approved Property, Taxable Property Owner's Association Property, Taxable Public Property or Undeveloped Property, that the ratio of the actual Special Tax levy to Maximum Special Tax is the same for all Parcels assigned within each Development Class.

"Public Property" means all Parcels which, as of April 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, are (i) used for rights-of-way or any other purpose and is owned by, dedicated to, or irrevocably offered for dedication to the federal government, the State, the County, City or any other public agency, provided, however, that any property leased by a public agency to a private entity and subject to taxation under Section 53340.1 of the Act shall be taxed and classified according to its use; or (ii) encumbered by an unmanned utility easement making impractical its utilization for other than the purpose set forth in the easement.

"Residential Property" means all Parcels of Developed Property for which a Building Permit(s) has been issued permitting the construction of one or more residential Dwelling Units. An Accessory

Dwelling Unit(s) that shares a Parcel shall not be considered a separate Single-Family Property for the purposes of the Special Tax.

"Single-Family Residential Property" means all Parcels of Residential Property, other than Multi-family Residential Property.

"Special Tax(es)" means the amount to be levied in each Fiscal Year on each Parcel of Taxable Property in accordance with Section D., below to fund the Special Tax Requirement.

"Special Tax Requirement(s)" means that amount required in any Fiscal Year to: (i) pay the estimated cost of Special Tax Services such Fiscal Year as determined by the County; (ii) fund the Special Tax Reserve Fund to the extent that the inclusion of such amount does not increase the Special Tax for Undeveloped Property unless requested by the developer or the amount needed to fund the Special Tax Reserve Fund up to the Special Tax Reserve Fund Requirement; (iii) pay Administrative Expenses; (iv) pay any anticipated Special Tax delinquencies based on actual delinquencies from the prior Fiscal Year outstanding at the time the annual Special Tax levy is determined; and (v) less a credit for funds available to reduce the annual Special Tax levy at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

"Special Tax Reserve Fund" means an amount up to 150% of the anticipated annual cost of Special Tax Services of $185,093. The Special Tax Reserve Fund Requirement shall be increased annually, commencing July 1, 2023, by the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) or up to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index of the corresponding Maximum Special Tax in effect in the previous Fiscal Year at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

"Special Tax Services" means services permitted under the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982 including, without limitation, those services authorized to be funded by CFD 22-4M as set forth in the documents adopted by the Board at the time the CFD was formed.

"State" means the State of California.

"Taxable Property" means all Parcels within the boundary of the CFD pursuant to the Boundary Map which are not exempt from the Special Tax pursuant to Section E., below.

"Taxable Property Owner's Association Property" means all Parcels of Property Owner's Association Property that satisfies both of the following conditions: (i) based on reference to the maps used during the formation of the district, the Parcel was not anticipated to be Property Owner's Association Property, as determined by the Administrator, and (ii) if the Parcel were to be exempt from the Special Tax because it is Property Owner's Association Property, the County has determined that there would be a reduction in Special Tax revenues that would create a deficit in funding the Special Tax Requirement.

"Taxable Public Property" means all Parcels of Public Property that satisfies both of the following conditions: (i) based on reference to the maps used during the formation of the district, the Parcel was not anticipated to be Public Property, as determined by the Administrator, and (ii) if the Parcel were to be exempt from the Special Tax because it is Public Property, the County has determined that there would be a reduction in Special Tax revenues that would create a deficit in funding the Special Tax Requirement.

"Taxable Unit" means either a Dwelling Unit(s) or an Acre. An Accessory Dwelling Unit on a Parcel shall not be considered a separate Taxable Unit for purposes of calculating the Special Tax.

"Undeveloped Property" means all Parcels of Taxable Property not classified as Developed Property, Approved Property, Taxable Property Owner's Association Property or Taxable Public Property.

B. ASSIGNMENT TO DEVELOPMENT CLASS

Each Fiscal Year, commencing with Fiscal Year 2022-2023, all Parcels of Taxable Property shall be classified as either Developed Property, Approved Property, Taxable Property Owner's Association Property, Taxable Public Property, or Undeveloped Property, and subject to the levy of Special Taxes in

accordance with this Rate and Method of Apportionment as determined pursuant to Sections C. and D., below.

Parcels of Developed Property shall further be classified as Residential Property or Non-Residential Property. Parcels of Residential Property shall further be classified as Single-Family Residential Property or Multi-family Residential Property.

C. MAXIMUM SPECIAL TAX RATES

1. Developed Property

The Maximum Special Tax that may be levied and escalated, as explained further in Section C.1. (a) below, in each Fiscal Year for each Parcel classified as Developed Property shall be determined by reference to Table 1 below.

TABLE 1

Maximum Special Tax Rates

Developed Property

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Development Class	Taxable Unit	Maximum Special Tax
Single-Family Residential Property	DU	$683
Multi-family Residential Property	Acre	$5,432
Non-Residential Property	Acre	$5,432

(a) Increase in the Maximum Special Tax

On each July 1, the Maximum Special Tax identified in Table 1 above, shall be increased annually, commencing July 1, 2023, by the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) or up

to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index of the corresponding Maximum Special Tax in effect in the previous Fiscal Year at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

(b) Multiple Development Classes

In some instances, a Parcel of Developed Property may contain more than one Development Class. The Maximum Special Tax that may be levied on such Parcel shall be the sum of the Maximum Special Tax that can be levied for each Development Class located on that Parcel. For a Parcel that contains two or more different Development Classes, the Acreage of such Parcel shall be allocated to each type of property based on the amount of Acreage designated for each land use as determined by reference to the site plan approved for such Parcel. The Administrator's allocation to each Development Class shall be final.

Once a Maximum Special Tax has been assigned to a Parcel of Developed Property, the Maximum Special Tax shall not be reduced in future Fiscal Years regardless of changes in Development Class, Square Footage, or Acreage, unless a reduction in the Maximum Special Tax is approved by the Board for the entire CFD.

(c) Accessory Dwelling Unit(s)

Where an Accessory Dwelling Unit(s) is on the same Assessor Parcel Number as another Taxable Unit, the Accessory Dwelling Unit(s) is not considered a separate Taxable Unit that will be added to the calculation of the Maximum Special Tax for a Parcel.

2. Approved Property

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Approved Property shall be equal to the product of the applicable Undeveloped Property Maximum Special Tax per Acre times the Acreage of such Parcel; provided, however, for a Parcel of Approved Property that is expected to become Single-Family Property as reasonably determined by the Administrator based on the Final Map for such Parcel, the Maximum Special Tax for such Parcel of Approved Property shall be calculated

pursuant to Section C.1., as if such Parcel were already designated as Developed Property and classified as Single-Family Property.

The Maximum Special Tax for Approved Property shall be increased annually, commencing July 1, 2023, by the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) or up to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index of the corresponding Maximum Special Tax in effect in the previous Fiscal Year. at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

3. Taxable Property Owner's Association Property and Taxable Public Property

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Taxable Property Owner's Association Property or Taxable Public Property shall be equal to the product of the applicable Undeveloped Property Maximum Special Tax per Acre times the Acreage of such Parcel.

The Maximum Special Tax for Taxable Property Owner's Association Property and Taxable Public Property shall be increased annually, commencing July 1, 2023, by the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) or up to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index of the corresponding Maximum Special Tax in effect in the previous Fiscal Year at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

4. Undeveloped Property

The Maximum Special Tax that may be levied and escalated for each Parcel classified as Undeveloped Property for each Parcel shall be $5,085 per Acre.

The Maximum Special Tax for Undeveloped Property shall be increased annually, commencing July 1, 2023, by the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) or up to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index of the corresponding Maximum Special Tax in effect in the previous Fiscal Year at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

5. Public Property and/or Property Owner's Association Property

The Maximum Special Tax that may be levied and escalated for each Parcel classified as Property Owner's Association Property and/or Public Property shall be $0.00 per Acre. **There shall be no levy on Property Owner's Association Property and/or Public Property.**

D. METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF THE SPECIAL TAX

Commencing with Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and for each following Fiscal Year, the Administrator shall levy the Special Tax on all Taxable Property until the amount of Special Tax equals the Special Tax Requirement in accordance with the following steps:

First: The Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Developed Property at up to 100% of the applicable Maximum Special Tax as needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement;

Second: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first step has been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Approved Property at up to 100% of the Maximum Special Tax for Approved Property.

Third: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first two steps have been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Taxable Property Owner's Associations Property up to 100% of the applicable Maximum Special Tax for Taxable Property Owner's Association.

Fourth: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax requirement after the first three steps have been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Taxable Public Property at up to 100% of the applicable Maximum Special Tax for Taxable Public Property.

Fifth: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first four steps have been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Undeveloped Property at up to 100% of the applicable Maximum Special Tax for Undeveloped Property.

Notwithstanding the above, under no circumstances will the Special Taxes levied in any Fiscal Year against any Parcel of Residential Property for which a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued be increased by more than ten percent (10%) as a result of a delinquency in the payment of the Special Tax applicable to any other Parcel above the amount that would have been levied in that Fiscal Year had there never been any such delinquency or default of the CFD.

E. EXEMPTIONS

The CFD shall not levy Special Taxes on Property Owner's Association Property (except Taxable Property Owner's Association Property) or Public Property (except Taxable Public Property) within the CFD.

F. MANNER OF COLLECTION

The Special Tax shall be collected in the same manner and at the same time as ordinary *ad valorem* property taxes and shall be subject to the same penalties, the same procedure, sale and lien priority in the case of delinquency; provided, however, that the Administrator may directly bill the Special Tax, may collect Special Taxes at a different time or in a different manner if necessary to meet the financial obligations of the CFD, and provided further that the CFD may covenant to foreclose and may actually foreclose on Parcels having delinquent Special Taxes as permitted by the Act.

G. APPEALS

Any taxpayer may file a written appeal of the Special Tax on his/her Parcel(s) with the Administrator, provided that the appellant is current in his/her payments of Special Taxes. During pendency of an appeal, all Special Taxes must be paid on or before the payment due date established when the levy was made. The appeal must specify the reasons why the appellant claims the Special Tax is in error. The Administrator shall review the appeal, meet with the appellant if the Administrator deems necessary, and advise the appellant of its determination. If the Administrator agrees with the appellant, the Administrator shall grant a credit to eliminate or reduce future Special Taxes on the appellant's Parcel(s). No refunds of previously paid Special Taxes shall be made.

The Administrator shall interpret this Rate and Method of Apportionment and make determinations relative to the annual levy and administration of the Special Tax and any taxpayer who appeals, as herein specified.

H. PREPAYMENT OF SPECIAL TAX

The Special Tax may not be prepaid.

I. TERM OF THE SPECIAL TAX

The Special Tax shall be levied annually in perpetuity unless terminated earlier by the County.

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I certify (or declare) under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: January 17, 2023.
At: Riverside, California

Signature

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Ordinance No. 974 authorizes the levy of special taxes within the District at the rate and in accordance with the method of apportionment approved by the voters at an election held on November 29, 2022, regarding the proposed levy of special taxes. Ordinance No. 974 provides that the Board of Supervisors, as the legislative body of the District, is authorized and directed each fiscal year to determine or cause to be determined the specific special tax rate and amount to be levied for the next ensuing fiscal year for each parcel of real property within the District. The special tax revenues shall be used to fund, pay for, and finance the Services and shall be levied so long as special taxes are needed to fund such Services. In addition, the special tax revenue may be used to replenish a reserve fund for the District, to pay the costs of administering the District, and to fund the cost of collecting and administering the special tax. Ordinance No. 974 provides that the special taxes may be collected on the secured property tax roll in the same manner as ordinary ad valorem taxes and that the special taxes shall have the same lien priority and be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in cases of delinquency as provided for ad valorem taxes. The rate and method of apportionment of the special tax authorized by Ordinance No. 974 is the rate and method approved by voters within the District and as further reflected in Exhibit A "Rate and Method" to Ordinance No. 974. A complete copy of Exhibit A "Rate and Method" is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and is available for public inspection and copying in that office in accordance with the California Public Records Act, Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code. Ordinance No. 974 takes effect immediately upon its adoption in accordance with section 25123(c) of the Government Code.

K. Jeffries, Chair of the Board

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said County, held on **January 10, 2023,** the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by said Board by the following vote:

AYES: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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