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Bret Prebula
City Manager
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RE: Solano County Regarding Agenda Item 3 – Reimbursement Agreement Between Suisun City and California Forever LP

Dear Mr. Prebula,

With the concurrence of the Board of Supervisors, I am writing to formally express Solano County's concerns regarding the proposed Reimbursement Agreement and related actions between the City of Suisun City and California Forever LP, as outlined in Agenda Item 3 of your June 10, 2025, City Council meeting. While we recognize the City's intent is to recover planning and administrative costs associated with potential annexation discussions and annexation concept, we are compelled to articulate fundamental inconsistencies between the proposed agreement and related annexation effort, the Solano County General Plan and its upcoming updates, and the potential impacts to countywide planning given the large land area under consideration.

As was discussed at the May 14, 2025, Solano City-County Coordinating Council meeting, the County is beginning the initial steps towards preparing the County's General Plan update and the desire to work collaboratively with the cities regarding their long term land use and growth plans, including potential expanded urbanized areas in the context of the County's own planning efforts for a sustainable agricultural industry, economic development, and affordable housing. In that spirit of collaboration, County staff requested support from CCCCs for a countywide summit where all entities could discuss their plans and expectations for coordinated planning. Proceeding with the Reimbursement Agreement and annexation process at this time and of this nature would not be consistent with the holistic countywide approach that was unanimously supported by the CCCCs, particularly given the unprecedented size and scale of the Suisun Expansion Area Specific Plan.

Given the substantial regional impact of the California Forever proposal, we respectfully request that the City delay approval of the Reimbursement Agreement and associated consultant contracts until further intergovernmental coordination effort is initiated through the County General Plan update. This process will include a range of affected stakeholders to evaluate long-range planning

implications, ensure consistency with the County General Plan, and safeguard the integrity of existing urban-rural boundaries.

The County recognizes the City's desire to proactively explore economic development opportunities. However, given the unprecedented scale of the proposal and its potential to dramatically urbanize eastern Solano County in ways that have never been contemplated, we urge Suisun City to respect the County's jurisdictional authority in the area in question and refrain from entering into agreements prematurely and in advance of the County's planning process. The County remains committed to working together with all entities in Solano County on land use plans that are sustainable, consistent with adopted regional goals, and beneficial to all Solano County residents.

Sincerely,



Bill Emlen
County Administrator
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cc: Solano County Board of Supervisors
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