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in the April 10 election.
Filing deadlines for city council elections were extended from Thursday to Tuesday in La Canada Flintridge, South Pasadena and Sierra Madre because at least one incumbent in each

city's incorporation in 1970, said he decided not to run because he wants to spend more time with his family.
Another La Canada Flintridge councilman, O. Warren Hillgren also did not file for re-election.

number of candidates for the three seats in the La Canada Flintridge election to eight.
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JPL agrees to help clean water wells

Tentative cost of new plant tops \$3 million

By **JOHN FLECK**
Staff Writer

PASADENA — The Jet Propulsion Laboratory tentatively has agreed to pay more than \$3 million over three years to clean cancer-causing chemicals out of water pumped from four Pasadena city wells south of the lab, the Star-News has learned. But the agreement leaves the question of who pays the long-range costs — potentially millions of dollars more — unanswered.

The agreement, which already has been signed by JPL Director Lew Allen, was approved Tuesday by the Pasadena Board of City Directors during a closed-door session. However, it still requires final approval from NASA, JPL's parent agency. City officials say that should take no more than two or three weeks.

TROUBLED WATERS

■ **The problem:** Cancer-causing chemicals in Pasadena water wells south of JPL; four wells shut down.

■ **The blame:** The city says JPL is at fault; JPL says more study is needed.

■ **The deal:** JPL agrees to pay for a temporary cleanup plant and to reimburse the city for some of the money spent to buy imported water while the wells were shut down.

■ **The cost:** in excess of \$3 million to JPL for the short-term cleanup.

■ **The future:** Uncertain, with no agreement on paying for a permanent cleanup.

A joint JPL-city study concluded in 1986 that it was "likely" that the pollution came from JPL waste, but JPL officials

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Keep these lights on South Madison Avenue

Coroner rules guards' neck hold killed man

Charges may be filed in Holloway death

BY **JOHN POLLOCK**

PASADENA — The County Coroner's Office has ruled that a Pasadena man who died after being chased down and subdued by King's Villages security

guards was killed by a neck hold, conferring about the possibility of filing criminal charges against the four guards, who told police they arrested Robert Earl Holloway on Jan. 19 because he hit a guard while trespassing at the housing complex, Pasadena police Sgt. Monte Yancey said.

A decision on whether charges will be filed was expected by city authorities could date-

sonable under the circumstances," said Yancey, who refused to release the names of four guards unless charges are filed.

"We also know that Holloway was maced, kicked and hit with nightsticks," Yancey said.

Joe Goldbaum, the owner of Gold Security Patrol, which contracts to provide security services for King's Villages, said he was not aware of the coro-

ner's ruling and did not return phone calls.

Last week, Pottmeyer said he had had no indications that the guards acted improperly while chasing down and subduing Holloway.

Tuesday, the fate of the guards remained unclear. Initial reports indicated they had been suspended pending the outcome of the police investigation into the death.

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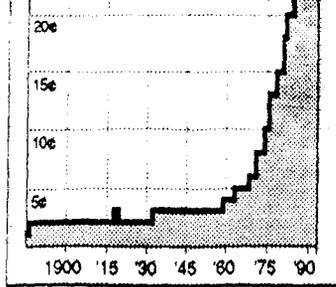
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board had asked for that case the board overruled the recommendation and did what it had proposed.

Public attention may focus on the cost of sending a first-class letter, but the real battles occur over second- and third-class charges.

Advertising firms, charities and publishers of magazines and newspapers inundate the rate commission with pleas to hold

record \$1.6 billion deficit for the fiscal year that will end Sept. 30. The outcome of contract negotiations this summer could make the deficit even worse.

Frank said last month that the Postal Service was required in the last two years "to contribute \$800 million to deficit reduction, even though we don't use a penny of tax money."

JPL: More studies set to determine source

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insist that more study is required before reaching a conclusion.

The money will allow the construction of a temporary cleanup plant that could be in place within five months, allowing the four wells, one of which has been shut down since 1985, to be brought back into production in time for heavy summer demand.

Pasadena officials would not release the specific terms of the deal, but Deputy City Manager Ed Aghjayan and Elizabeth Stetz, JPL's head of environmental safety, confirmed that it includes construction of a temporary water treatment plant in the Arroyo Seco to be paid for by JPL. JPL will also reimburse the city for some of the money it has lost because of the closed wells.

According to a city report, the closures are costing Pasadena \$859,000 per year because the city must replace water from the closed wells with more costly water imported from Northern California and the Colorado River.

Aghjayan estimated the cost of the temporary plant's construction and operation at between \$700,000 and \$750,000 over the next three years. He said the lump sum payment would be "in excess of \$750,000." Stetz said she could not confirm Aghjayan's figures.

If approved by NASA, the deal appears to at least temporarily solve a problem that has been cutting into Pasadena's water supplies since 1985.

Beginning in 1980, the city began finding increasing levels of a number of toxic chemicals in at least four wells in and along the Arroyo Seco. The chemicals — trichloroethylene, carbon tetrachloride and perchlorethylene — were frequently used as solvents in industrial metal-cleaning processes. Contamination rose above legal limits in two wells in 1985 and 1986. Two more wells were shut down in 1989.

In late 1989, a fourth contaminant — 1,2-dichloroethane, a byproduct of trichloroethylene — was found.

JPL has acknowledged using cesspools and dumping pits

along the Arroyo Seco to dispose of chemical waste until the early 1960s.

The city blames JPL for the pollution, but Stetz, while acknowledging that JPL may be the source, said further study is necessary to rule other sources, including water flowing into the Arroyo Seco through storm drains from Altadena.

The decision to build a temporary plant marks a shift in the city's approach to the problem. As recently as November, a report from Aghjayan's staff to the Board of City Directors called for building a large permanent water treatment facility at substantially higher cost — as much as \$5.4 million for construction, with hundreds of thousands of dollars per year in operating costs.

Aghjayan and Stetz said the temporary facility will give the city the ability to begin cleaning the water immediately while conducting more detailed studies of the nature and extent of the pollution.

"Three years from now we'll have much better information," Aghjayan said.

SERVICE CHARGE REPORT FOR PUBLIC HEARING THEREON AND TO DETERMINE THE ANNUAL COST OF SERVICE FOR USERS WITHIN DISTRICT NO. 16 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

District No. 16 of Los Angeles County will hold a public hearing in the Districts' Board Room, 1955 Workman Mill Road, to discuss a Service Charge Report that was filed with the proposed service charge should continue to be levied on property located within Sanitation District No. 16, shown below. At the hearing, the Board will receive any

collection, treatment, and disposal service for the areas 204(b)(3) of the Clean Water Act of 1977, and the present information on the proposed service charge, the amount charged only to large industrial users, and the amount of the general tax levy. The amount of the proposed service charge levied to provide continued services in Sanitation District No. 16 on residential, commercial, and small industrial property for a single family home for fiscal year 1990-91 is \$52 annually. The existing service charge for a single family industrial users are required to pay an annual surcharge based on flow and strength measured in terms of Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD). The current surcharge rate is:

COD (\$/1,000 lbs) \$108.40	SS (\$/1,000 lbs) \$108.40
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The proposed fee for connection of a single family home is \$910. The current fee is \$825. Connection fees for other user categories are charged in proportion to quantity and strength of wastewater discharged. The Connection Fee Rate for industrial dischargers who pay an annual surcharge will not include the one year's operation and maintenance cost component since there is no lag between the time of connection and the collection of charges for these dischargers.

The proposed annexation fee schedule of charges for petitions made by the District on behalf of the applicant is: 0 to 1.5 acres \$750, >1.5 to 5.0 acres \$1,000, >5.0 to 20.0 acres \$200 per acre, >20.0 acres \$4,000 plus \$30 per acre for each acre over 20.0 acres. The proposed annexation fee schedule of charges for petitions made directly by the applicant is 75 percent of the above rate.

The Sanitation Districts will, upon request, make available copies of the Connection Fee Ordinance, Annexation Fee Resolution, and the data used to develop the Connection Fee Rate and Annexation Fee Rate. Information can be obtained by calling the Districts at 1 (800) 426-7414, extension 2722, Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or by writing to: County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, P. O. Box 4998, Whittier, CA 90607-4998, Attention: Financial Planning Section.

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