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# Goleta Valley Planning Advisory Committee

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## *APPROVED MEETING MINUTES*

*March 3, 2009 at 6:00PM*

*Santa Barbara County Planning Commission Hearing Room*

**Meeting Called to Order:** By Chair Valerie Olson at 6:04PM

### **1. Roll Call**

**GVPAC Members Present:** Adams, Elliott, Ezal, Freeman, Mineau, Olson, True

**GVPAC Members Absent:** None

#### **County Staff Present:**

Derek Johnson, Deputy Director, Office of Long Range Planning

David Lackie, Supervising Planner, Office of Long Range Planning

Erika Leachman, Planner, Office of Long Range Planning

Leslie Wells, Collections and Materials Manager, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division, Public Works Department.

### **2. Public Comment:**

**Mary Whalen** requested that staff continue to provide detailed minutes of public comment and GVPAC meeting proceedings to retain records of discussions, ideas, and comments.

**Karen Quimby**, representing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisorial District Office, announced the upcoming Green Gardening Day at La Sumida Gardens (165 S. Patterson Ave) on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 11:30AM – 1:30PM and invited the GVPAC and all interested parties to attend.

### **3. Presentation:**

Presentation covered water, wastewater, and solid waste services and facilities in the Goleta Valley, including existing facilities and future improvements planning, with the aid of guest speakers **Kamil Azoury**, General Manager of the Goleta Sanitary District, **Eric Ford**, Interim General Manager of the Goleta Water District, and **Leslie Wells** of the County Public Works Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division. Presentations covered the role, capacity, range of services, applicable regulations and policies, and long term planning of the respective agencies, including, but not limited to, the need for new reservoirs, increased capacity for recycled water, and potential expansion of Tajiguas Landfill.



GVPAC discussion focused primarily on conservation of natural resources. Discussion covered the options and incentives to increase the sustainability of the water, wastewater, and solid waste systems in the Goleta Valley, including:

- usage of recycled municipal water sources,
- home greywater systems,
- biodiesel and cogeneration energy systems for waste transit and processing facilities,
- requirements for construction and demolition waste recycling for remodels and redevelopment,
- tiered municipal services rates to incentivize conservation and recycling,
- requirements for drought-tolerant landscaping,
- resource conservation technologies, such as low-flow fixtures, drip and controlled irrigation systems, and
- low impact development design standards.

The GVPAC discussed the barriers to recycled water use, including cost, water quality, and infrastructure constraints, and opportunities to programmatically increase conservation of natural resources (lawn buy-back, sewerization, water meter, recycled water, and waste diversion programs). It was also acknowledged that funding infrastructure improvements could be approached from a regional perspective to include implementation of tax assessment districts, development impact fees, grants, and other financing options, such as bonds.

Related topics included the impacts of increased service populations planned under the 2008 UCSB Long Range Development Plan on the ability of local public service agencies to serve the community's long term needs.

**Public Comment:**

**None**

**4. Minutes of February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 GVPAC Meeting:**

Amendments: None

**ACTION:** True moved, seconded by Ezal, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 GVPAC Meeting Minutes with no amendments.

Yea: Adams, Elliott, Ezal, Freeman, Mineau, Olson, True

Nay: None

Absent: None



**5. Tentative Long Term Scheduling:**

The tentative long term schedule was rearranged to place discussion of key sites, future sites of interest, and cumulative projects to follow discussions of general land use types, including residential, commercial/industrial, and agricultural. The GVPAC requested this change be noted both during Meeting #10 and Meeting #11 to ensure that interested parties are informed of this scheduling adjustment.

**6. Adjournment**

Next GVPAC Meeting (#11) will be held on Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 6:00 in the Planning Commission Hearing Room

**ACTION:** Elliott moved, seconded by Adams, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to adjourn until GVPAC Meeting #11.

Yea: Adams, Elliott, Ezal, Freeman, Mineau, Olson, True

Nay: None

Absent: None

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:28PM**

Signed Kim Zol (for Valerie Olson) Date 3/18/2008  
GVPAC Chair Olson

