
Goleta Valley Planning Advisory Committee

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at 6:00PM

Santa Barbara County Planning Commission Hearing Room

Meeting Called to Order: By Chair Valerie Olson at 6:07PM

1. Roll Call

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

GVPAC Members Absent: None

County Staff Present:

Peter Imhof, Supervising Planner, Office of Long Range Planning

Erika Leachman, Planner, Office of Long Range Planning

Lucy Pendl, Planner, Office of Long Range Planning

2. Public Comment:

None

3. Minutes of June 2nd, 2009 GVPAC Meeting:

Amendments: None

ACTION: Freeman moved, seconded by Ezal, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the June 2nd, 2009 GVPAC Meeting Minutes, with no amendments.

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

4. Summary of Current Planning Projects:

Staff presented summary project descriptions for four (4) recently development proposals in the Eastern Goleta Valley planning area: Foothill Centre, Turnpike Shopping Center Façade Improvements, State Street Hospitality/The Grand Hope Ranch Hotel, and McElheny Mixed Use. The presentation was general and informational to inform the GVPAC process. The GVPAC requested that future public comments to the GVPAC exceeding typical time allocations should be approved at the discretion of the Chair in advance of the comment.



Public Comment:

Michael Towbes, applicant and owner of the Foothill Centre project submitted to the City of Santa Barbara, discussed a brief history of the property and the proposed project description.

5. Tentative Long Term Scheduling: Phase II of GVPAC process

The GVPAC concurred with the following proposed meeting dates to recommend goals and appropriate planning tools for the updated Goleta Community Plan:

August 19th = Environmental Protection and Stewardship; Parks, Recreation, Trails, Open Space, and Public Views; Public Safety, Services, and Infrastructure.

September 1st = Commercial Land Use; Mobility, Circulation, and Parking.

October 6th = Residential Land Use; Agricultural Land Use

October 21st = Review/Revision Meeting, if needed

November 3rd = Review/Revision Meeting, if needed

For each meeting, the GVPAC agreed to come prepared for discussion of the scheduled topics, recommendations for land use goals, and ready to make decisions about land use in the Eastern Goleta Valley.

6. Presentation:

Approximately 10 minutes were allocated to each GVPAC member to advise the GVPAC and staff of the general discussion, findings, values, and needs identified their respective discussion tables at the July 11, 2009 Goleta Valley Community Planning Workshop. The following GVPAC members presented summaries of these topics:

Bonnie Freeman, Agricultural Land Use

Kenneth Mineau, Commercial Land Use

Kim True, Environmental Protection and Stewardship

Kenan Ezal, Mobility, Circulation, and Parking

Valerie Olson, Parks, Recreation, Trails, Open Spaces, and Public Views

Ted Adams, Public Safety, Services, and Infrastructure

Tom Elliott, Residential Land Use

Public Comment:

Bob Alm, owner of agricultural property at 5295 Shoreline Dr used for potted plant/nursery business, requested that his property be considered for residential rezoning similar to adjacent



neighborhood due to difficulties associated with cost of water and labor, and problematic markets.

Patti Close expressed appreciation for the GVPAC's public process, including the community planning workshop. Ms. Close enjoyed the workshop and wished more people attended.

7. Adjournment

Next GVPAC Meeting (#18) will be held on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 at 6:00 in the Planning Commission Hearing Room

ACTION: Adams moved, seconded by Ezal, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to adjourn until GVPAC Meeting #18.

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35PM

Signed _____

Valerie F. Olson

Date _____

3 Sept 2009

GVPAC Chair Olson

