
Goleta Valley Planning Advisory Committee

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2009 at 6:00PM

Santa Barbara County Planning Commission Hearing Room

Meeting Called to Order: By Chair Valerie Olson at 6:01PM

1. Roll Call

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

GVPAC Members Absent: Adams

County Staff Present:

Derek Johnson, Director, Office of Long Range Planning

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:

Patti Close, expressed concern about specific proposals to create parks, recreation and/or open spaces and houses through agriculture conversion to the detriment of water supply, food supply, and other impacts to the community.

3. Minutes of Oct. 8, 2009 GVPAC Meeting:

Amendments: Spelling correction of Deigaard Nurseries

ACTION: True moved, seconded by Ezal, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Sept. 3rd, 2009 GVPAC Meeting Minutes, as amended.

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

Nay: None

Absent: Adams

4. Announcements:

Glenn Russell, the new Director of Planning and Development with the County, introduced himself and provided a brief overview of his career during the meeting.

5. Parks, Recreation, Trails, Open Space and Public Views Discussion:

GVPAC Members reviewed, modified and added to the draft Parks, Recreation, Trails, Open Space and Public Views goals recorded by staff.



Public Comment:

Mark Holmgren, representing the San Marcos Foothills Coalition, encouraged the rezoning and redesignation of publicly-owned areas of the San Marcos Foothills to Recreation/Open Space with ESH-overlay from PRD-75 as part of the Goleta Community Plan Update. Mr. Holmgren is interested in protecting this public open space into perpetuity.

Christina McGinnis commented on specific goals for open space and passive parks to ensure that potential improvements would not inadvertently pose harm to habitat values and ecological function.

Mark Mollica, representing Deigaard Nursery at 5295 Shoreline Dr., requested the GVPAC and the County consider conversion of the nursery [from agricultural to residential use] in exchange for a coastal park, bike trails, loop trails, benches, and other public uses. Mr. Mollica expressed interest in exchanging land uses to benefit the community and to work with adjacent landowners to achieve community goals for connectivity, recreation, and open space.

ACTION: Ezal moved, seconded by True, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the goals for the Parks, Recreation, Trails, Open Space and Public Views section of the Goleta Community Plan.

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

Nay: None

Absent: Adams

6. Adjournment

Next GVPAC Meeting (#22) will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2009 at 6:00PM in the Planning Commission Hearing Room

ACTION: Freeman moved, seconded by True, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to adjourn until GVPAC Meeting #21.

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

Nay: None

Absent: Adams

Meeting Adjourned at 8:48PM

Signed Valerie F. Olson Date 5 Nov 2009
GVPAC Chair Olson

