



Planning and Development Department

Office of Long Range Planning

Transmittal Memo

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TO: GVPAC Members

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SUBJECT: GVPAC Meeting #25: GVPAC composes Goals and recommends Planning Tools

The items listed below have been included as part of the meeting materials for the upcoming GVPAC meeting Wednesday, December 16, 2009.

1. **Meeting Agenda:** Please see the attached agenda for Wednesday, December 16, 2009. For details, please see discussion of agenda items below. **(Attachment 1, P.1)**
2. **Draft Meeting Minutes:** Staff has provided draft meeting minutes from the December 3, 2009 GVPAC Meeting for review and approval. **(Attachment 2, P.5)**
3. **Tentative Long Term GVPAC Meeting Schedule:** An updated long term schedule has been provided for review. **(Attachment 3, P.11)**
4. **GVPAC Land Use Goal-Making Matrix:** Staff has updated the workbook used for recording updated land use goals for the Eastern Goleta Valley community with the draft goals developed during GVPAC Meeting #24. Specifically, the goals for Residential Land Use have been updated in draft form. Please note that no final recommendation was made by the GVPAC during Meeting #24. As such, all recorded goals for Residential Land Use are unofficial and subject to change under future GVPAC action.

GVPAC Preparation for 12/16: The Goal-Making Matrix should be used as a tool to aid in collating your recommendations. Please come to the 12/16 GVPAC meeting with this document completed and ready to take action to make final recommendations for Agricultural Land Use Goals. **(Attachment 4, P.17)**

Wednesday, December 16, 2009 Agenda

The following provides additional detail for selected agenda items, as labeled.

GVPAC Planning Goals: (Item #4)

GVPAC meetings through the end of 2009 are designed to allow the GVPAC to collectively articulate and record with staff the land use goals for the updated Goleta Community Plan. The GVPAC is tasked with recommending land use goals based on:

- Technical data, facts, and information learned and discussed during GVPAC meetings;
- Adopted Goals in the 1993 Goleta Community Plan;
- Goals from GVC Vision 20/20; and
- Community Input: Values, Needs, Ideas, Norms, and Visions for the future.

At this point, each GVPAC member represents a land use planning issue area during upcoming goal recommendation meetings and discussions. As facilitators of the respective workshop discussions, each GVPAC member is responsible for representing the goals for his or her area of expertise during the upcoming meetings.

The objective of GVPAC Meeting #25 is to finalize the goals for Agricultural Land Use.

- **Agricultural Land Use, including, but not limited to:**
 - General agricultural goals
 - Rural agriculture
 - Urban agriculture
 - Preservation of viable agricultural operations
 - Support for local food production and agribusinesses

For your reference, Agricultural Land Use was discussed during GVPAC Meeting #14. As a reminder, we discussed the Agricultural Element of the County Comprehensive Plan and the Right to Farm Ordinance during Meeting # 14. The full text of these adopted documents can be found online:

County Agricultural Element:

http://longrange.sbcountyplanning.org/programs/agelement/aq_element.php

Right to Farm Ordinance (Article V of Chapter 3 of the County Code, Ord. No. 3778, § 1):

http://library2.municode.com:80/7622/template.htm?view=browse&doc_action=setdoc&doc_keytype=tocid&doc_key=4feac2666c800699d0111ad676d5086a&infobase=16322

For Agricultural Land Use, community plan goals can consider urban and rural agricultural areas in the Eastern Goleta Valley in terms of function and linkages to environmental protection, air quality, community sustainability, accessibility, and connectivity. The goals for agricultural land use can also consider urban and rural agriculture as part of urban and regional planning in terms of support of infrastructure for increased urban food production, streets and access, land use designations, regulations, and/or subdivision, wastewater and irrigation, recreation and trails, agricultural viability and economics, and runoff/stormwater .

Staff encourages the GVPAC to come prepared with recommendations for agricultural land use goals. These recommendations will first be discussed by the GVPAC as a whole, then the GVPAC should take action to officially recommend the goals or set of goals to staff.

As Attachment #4 to this document, staff has revised and updated the workbook that you should use to organize and record your recommendations for each topic and/or land use issue area prior to the upcoming meeting. Staff has recorded in this workbook the draft goals developed by the GVPAC during GVPAC Meeting #24. Please note that no final recommendation was made by the GVPAC during Meeting #24. As such, all recorded goals for Residential Land Use are unofficial and subject to change under future GVPAC action. The GVPAC can use the spaces provided to recommended land use goals for the 2009 Goleta Community Plan Update. As you see fit, staff encourages the GVPAC to also record and report planning tools for the issue areas that would be appropriate to implement the updated Goleta Community Plan.

Each GVPAC member is encouraged to review this draft information and contact staff individually should any questions, suggestions, or other comments arise. Staff is available as listed below:

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