
Goleta Valley Planning Advisory Committee

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

October 26, 2010 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: Adams, Elliott, Ezal, Freeman, Mineau, Olson, True

GVPAC Members Absent: None

County Staff Present:

Glenn Russell, Director, Long Range Planning Division

Vicki Parker, Deputy Director, Long Range Planning Division

June Pujo, 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:

Anne Crosby expressed concern about the County Board of Supervisors consideration of the 2009-2014 Housing Element coincident with Election Day and recommended the hearing be rescheduled to a later date.

Supervisor Janet Wolf thanked the GVPAC and staff for their service and work on the Goleta Community Plan update project and encouraged the its successful completion.

Teresa Seiler referenced Pat Elton's letter regarding a potential fire access road to improve public safety for Blister Ridge and recommends that planning coordinate with fire services to designate a potential route.

Geof Bard expressed concern about at hazardous 'Y' intersection along the Maria Ygnatio bike path north of Hollister Ave, west of Turnpike Rd, due to a blind corner and supported public beach access with accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians at existing private access points.

Brian Trautwein of the Environmental Defense Center (EDC) commented that EDC would be involved in the review process of the Administrative Draft Plan with particular interest in agriculture and watershed protection.



3. Announcements:

Director Glenn Russell announced the hiring of Jeff Hunt, AICP as the Director of the Long Range Planning Division of Planning and Development, and provided an update of the LUDC Certification process with the California Coast Commission, including the upcoming meeting to discuss the LUDC modification on 11/18/10 in Santa Monica.

4. Minutes of June 29, 2010 GVPAC Meetings:

Amendments: None.

ACTION: Freeman moved, seconded by True, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the minutes of the June 29, 2010 GVPAC Meetings.

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

5. Calendar:

The GVPAC meetings to review the Administrative Draft of the Plan are scheduled for:

November 9, 2010

November 23, 2010

December 16, 2010

January 11, 2010

6. Staff overview of Section I: Introduction of the Administrative Draft Goleta Valley Community Plan for Eastern Goleta Valley.

Staff provided explanation of the Plan's organization, how the policy framework of the Plan works, and what role the GVPAC and staff play in Phase III of the project. Following the overview, the GVPAC deliberated and provided comments on Section I: Introduction. Staff recorded comments for consideration in revisions to the Plan.

Public Comment:

Geof Bard commented that he will submit comments to the County.

Patty Close objected to promoting infill in the Draft Plan and recommended the Plan not encourage growth.

Brian Trautwein suggest that if there is going to be development, it should be infill and should be tied to permanent restrictions on sprawl outside of the urban area. Mr. Trautwein also commented that redevelopment should be preferred over development of open spaces in the urban area, figure 5 in the Plan should have 'environment' at the top of a flow chart, and that the definitions section of the Plan should include coastal development and that all policies be "shall" to ensure stringent implementation.



Ann Crosby commented that all policies in the Plan should be “shall” to ensure stringent implementation and expressed interest in the environmental review process of the Plan, particularly the relationship between a programmatic and a project-specific environmental impact report. Ms. Crosby also commented that mitigation of impacts will be very important to the community.

7. Adjournment

GVPAC Meeting #30 will be held on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 6:00PM 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 #30.

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:58PM

Signed Valerie F. Olson Date 11/9/10
GVPAC Chair Olson