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January 30, 2001

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County of Santa Cruz
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RE: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

Attached is the Annual Report of the Planning Commission for calendar year 2000. I recommend that the Board accept and file this report and direct the Chairman to thank the members of the Commission for their efforts on the County's behalf.

Sincerely,

TONY CAMPOS, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

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cc: Planning Commission

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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Transmitted herewith is the annual report of the Santa Cruz County Planning Commission for the 2000 calendar year.

ROLE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The County Planning Commission serves several purposes: 1) Interpretation of the County General Plan; 2) Updating the General Plan; and 3) Consideration of major land use development projects including all land divisions, major commercial developments, rezonings, and General Plan amendments either as the final decision maker or to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Commission also acts as the decision maker on appeals of Zoning Administrator Decisions.

MEETINGS

The Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Chambers. Occasional special meetings are scheduled by the Commission to respond to pressing deadlines or to provide additional opportunity for public participation.

ATTENDANCE

Please see the attendance roster included on Page 2. Note that an alternate Commissioner is appointed for each Supervisorial District in the event that the regular Commissioner is unable to attend.

2000 ACTIVITIES

During the year 2000, the Planning Commission conducted 42 new public hearings (not including continued items) on development proposals and appeals from the Zoning Administrator. Major projects considered in 2000 included applications for a Minor Land Division and Subdivision on Gross Road to create a total of 14 single-family residential lots, the subdivision of a parcel at the intersection of Jose Avenue and Capitola Road into 16 single-family residential lots, the subdivision of a parcel at the end of Muriel Drive into 15 single-family residential lots, and four additional Minor Land Divisions in various parts of the County that included a total of 14 single-family residential lots. There were three major public projects reviewed and approved by the Commission in 2000, including improvements to Scott Creek Park, Anna Jean Cummings Park, and the Wilder Ranch Bike Path Project. The Commission also reviewed proposed changes to County policies, and made recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Reviews included amendments to the Water Well Ordinance, the Sewage Disposal Ordinance, and proposed amendments to the Ben Lomond Town

Plan. During the past year the Commission also conducted public hearings on seven commercial projects, including the Redwood Meadows Ranch Winery, a self-storage facility in Aptos, the Live Oak Industrial Park, and a Wendy's restaurant. The Commission also heard six appeals of Zoning Administrator decisions and five applications for rezoning to the Timber Production Zone District.

2000 **PLANNING** COMMISSION ATTENDANCE

Planning Commissioner	1/12/00	1/26/00	2/9/00	2/23/00	3/22/00	4/12/00	4/26/00	5/10/00	5/24/00	7/12/00	7/26/00	8/9/00	8/23/00	9/13/00	9/27/00	10/11/00	10/25/00	11/8/00	2/ 3/00
Robert Bremner	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Denise Holbert	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Dennis Osmer					X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Leo Ruth	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Renee Shepherd			X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Dale Skillicom	X	X	X	X															
<i>Alternates</i>																			
Phillip Clark										X				X					X
Marilyn Hummel					X			X						X	X				
Gwen Kaplan																			
Teall Messer							X			X		X	X						
Donna Stewman		X			X			X											