

County of Santa Cruz Planning Commission Minutes

DATE: August 8, 2001

PLACE: Board of Supervisors Chambers, Room 525
County Government Center, 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, CA

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: ROB BREMNER, TED DURKEE,
DENNIS OSMER, DENISE HOLBERT

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: CATHY GRAVES, MARK DEMING,
FRANK BARRON, MICHELLE GREEN

COUNTY COUNSEL PRESENT: RAHN GARCIA

All legal requirements for items set for public hearing on the Santa Cruz County Planning Commission agenda for this meeting have been fulfilled before the hearing including publication, mailing and posting as applicable.

- A. ROLL CALL:**
Commissioners Durkee, Holbert, Osmer and Bremner were present at 9:00 a.m.
- B. PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** None
- C. COUNTY COUNSEL'S REPORT:** Update on land-use related court actions regarding takings.
- D. ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:** Items F-1 & F-2 removed from agenda for correction. To be brought back after corrections.
- E. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None
- F. CONSENT ITEMS:**
There are no consent items on this agenda.
- G. CONTINUED ITEMS**
There are no continued items on this agenda.
- H. SCHEDULED ITEMS**
- H-1.** Public Hearing to consider amendments to the County Code Section 16.20.180 (Grading Ordinance) revising design standards for private roads, driveways and bridges.
PROJECT PLANNER: FRANK BARRON, 454-2530

Introduction by Frank Barron. New standards for private roads when grading permit required. New surfacing requirements to reduce erosion & extend life of roads. Developed in conjunction with local fire agencies to provide adequate fire access. Proposed amendments are consistent with General Plan and Fire Code.

COMMISSIONER DURKEE: Is this final action needed from Commission in order to implement changes.

MARK DEMING: Yes, this is result of public outreach and revisions requested by fire agencies for consistency with State Fire Code.

COMMISSIONER DURKEE: Does it make any changes to existing development?

MARK DEMING: No, only applies to new roads and improvements to existing roads.

COMMISSIONER BREMNER: Oil and screening requirement exceeds fire code, why? Do we have to follow fire code?

MARK DEMING: Difficult to determine road grades without survey which would be extra cost. County adopts fire code with amendments. Farm roads not subject to the grading ordinance.

MR. HAINES, SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT: Submitted letter from district in support of changes. Would like it to apply to maintenance of existing roads, as well as new. Support changes to improve water quality. (See Action Agenda)

Approve as amended. Motion made by Osmer and seconded by Bremner.
Voice Vote, 4-0, without Shepherd and her alternate's vote.

- H-2.** Public Hearing to consider amendments to various County Code sections to eliminate the term "handicapped" and revise the standards for accessible parking.
PROJECT PLANNER: FRANK BARRON, 454-2530

Introduction by Frank Barron. History of Board instructions for changes to remove the word, "handicapped" from County Ordinances. Also makes changes to 13.10 to change parking requirements for consistency with ADA. (See Action Agenda).

Approved as recommended. Motion made by Durkee and seconded by Osmer.
Voice Vote, 4-0, without Shepherd and her alternate's vote.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION AS OF OCTOBER 19, 2001.

KRISTY MILLER
PLANNING DEPARTMENT