



County of Santa Cruz

AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION

BRUCE DAU, Chairperson
KEN KIMES, Vice Chairperson
DAVID SANFORD, Executive Secretary

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

November 16, 2023

1:30 PM

Agricultural Extension Auditorium
1432 Freedom Boulevard
Watsonville, California

Present: Bruce Dau, Ken Kimes, Ellen Rinde, Jerold O'Brien

Absent: Mike Manfre

Others: Sheila McDaniel, Randall Adams, Evan Ditmars, Walter Mayeda, Kevin Vevang, LeiLani Vevang, Karen Stacey, Nancy Huyck, Macelo Diniz

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes and Modifications

(a) Additions/Corrections to Agenda: Attachments, including minutes, correspondence, and the APAC calendar were emailed to APAC members and revised hard copies were provided at the meeting.

(b) Approved minutes from the July 20, 2023 hearing.

MOTION/SECONDED: Kimes/Rinde

AYES: Dau, Rinde, Kimes, O'Brien

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Manfre

(c) None

3. Declaration of Ex Parte Communications: Dau encountered the owner of 220 Zils Road, Macelo Diniz, at said location and asked for permission to enter property.

4. Oral Communication: None

5. APAC Commissioner Presentations: None

6. Updates from the Agricultural Commissioner's Office: Entering permit and operator identification number renewal season. Pest detection season has wrapped up without a find of quarantine importance.

7. Updates from the Staff Planner: Introduction of new APAC board member Jerold O'Brien. New APAC meeting place has been secured: Aptos Village Park meeting room. If a January meeting is necessary, may be able to meet once more at the current 1432 Freedom Boulevard location. Six calendar dates scheduled for 2024 APAC meetings. No December meeting planned for 2023. All board members have taken or renewed their oaths of office.

8. Project: **231026. APN: 046-231-71**

Approve staff recommendation for project 231026 with the amendment of section III B of the Conditions of Approval to replace "and/or" to "and" as well as an amendment of section IV A of the Conditions of Approval to replace "vegetative and physical barrier" to "vegetative barrier and fence".

MOTION/SECONDED: Dau/Rinde

AYES: Dau, Rinde, Kimes, O'Brien

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

9. Project: **231440. APN: 046-221-47**

Approve removal of the solid wood fencing installation conditions for project 231440.

MOTION/SECONDED: O'Brien/Kimes

AYES: Dau, Rinde, Kimes, O'Brien

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

The meeting was adjourned at 2:52 P.M.