



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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## HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

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### DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday, September 1, 2004

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Aptos-La Selva Fire Protection District  
Downstairs Conference Room  
6934 Soquel Drive, Aptos, CA

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AGENDA CHANGES

Acting Chairperson Guth formally called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Commissioners Present:	Sweet, Buth, Damon, Schiffrin, Pomper, Melgoza, Stewman and Averill
Commissioners Excused:	None
Commissioners Absent:	Thuerwachter, Sprague
Staff Present:	Carolyn Watanabe, Erik Schapiro, Tom Burns
Public Present:	Sam Finkelstein, Rose Marie McNair, Maureen Smith
Agenda Changes:	None

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Schiffrin made a motion to approve the Minutes, and indicated that he had not received the electronic copy. Commissioner Pomper seconded the motion. Motion carries.

#### 3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Sam Finkelstein from Housing Choices Coalition introduced himself.

#### 4. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Tom Burns introduced the new Planning Housing staff: Carolyn Watanabe, new staff to the HAC, and Erik Schapiro, Housing Chief.
- B. Tom Burns presented a brief update on the status of the Housing Element stating that the County had received a letter from HCD in June and a response was sent to HCD on August 24<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the Planning letter was distributed to the Commissioners. An answer from HCD was expected in a few weeks. The availability of adequate sites remains the most substantive issue.

There was a request for an electronic copy of the Housing Element. The Housing Element is on the County website under Planning/Housing. (Since it is 200 pages long, it is too big to email.) Also requested was a copy of the HCD letter sent in June.

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- C. Tom Burns stated that the Board approved increasing the affordable housing requirement to 40% for projects that require re-zoning. This requirement will apply to the PAR-3 site in Aptos and another site the County is looking at.
- D. Erik Schapiro announced that Redevelopment Agency Housing was merged with the Planning Department to bring all of the County's housing programs and activities together under Planning. In three months there will be a report to the HAC on the consolidation.

### 5. Other Announcements.

None

### 6. CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION: Commissioner Schiffrin moved to receive and file the HAC policy as amended. Commissioner Pomper seconded. Motion passes.

### 7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. There were discussions regarding 1) the thirty-day limit stay in parks: whether it should be thirty days per park or for all parks combined; and 2) doing an assessment of the as-built density by preparing a parcel by parcel data base. After these issues were discussed by the Commission, it was agreed that these are not issues that the Commission wishes to pursue.

### a. OLD BUSINESS

None

### 9. FUTURE ITEMS

- A. Discuss Agenda format.

### 10. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:16 P.M.