



County of Santa Cruz

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

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DRAFT MINUTES

July 8, 2026

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, July 8, 2026
TIME: 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM
LOCATION: Coastlines Meeting Room
County Government Center
701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor, Room 520
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Commissioner Geisreiter called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm.

Commissioners Present: Geisreiter (D1), Barr (D2), Harris-Altice (D3), Wells (D5),
Graham (At-Large), Jones (At-Large)

Commissioners Absent: McNair (D4), Heritage (At-Large), Flaniken (At-Large)

Staff Present: Suzanne Ise, Principal Planner, Porcila Wilson, Planner IV,
Tracy Cunningham, Housing Specialist, Dan Chepley, Chief
Building Official

Public Present: Mando Morlos

2. Announcements

Introduction of New Commissioner Luke Jones. Staff announced an upcoming webinar offered by Environmental Planning.

3. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

Chair Geisreiter moved Item 6, Updated Bylaws, from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda.

4. Oral Communications

Mando Morlos commented that the 36-page document outlining the Code Changes (Attachment III) was not provided in time to adequately review and make comments at this HAC meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1:15 pm

5. Minutes

(Attachment I)

Approve Minutes of May 6, 2026, Regular Meeting as provided in Attachment I.

Motion: Jones

Second: Harris-Altice

Action: Motion Passed.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Abstain: 1 (Jones)

Absent: 3

REGULAR AGENDA

1:30 pm

6. Updated Bylaws

Adopt Draft Bylaws as shown in Attachment II.

Motion: Approve Bylaws with a revision to Section 4.D to replace the word “may” with “shall” as follows:

“The Staff Liaison **shall** consult with or seek input from the Chair, or in the Chair’s absence or unavailability, the Vice Chair, during the preparation of the agenda.”

Motion: Harris-Altice **Second:** Wells

Action: Motion passed.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 3

7. Election of Officers

After a brief discussion, Chair Geisreiter nominated himself as Chair and Jane Barr as Vice-Chair, to serve for the next one-year term (July 2026 through July 2027).

Action: Commissioners unanimously voted (6-0 with 3 absences) to re-elect Chair Geisreiter as Chair, and Vice-Chair Barr as Vice-Chair, to serve a full one-year term in their respective offices, until the next scheduled Election of Officers (July 2027 or thereabouts).

8. Review County Amendments to the California Building Code (Attachment III)
Recommended action: Review the local amendments to the Building Code adopted by the Board on April 28, 2026, and provide recommendations to the Board, if any.

Dan Cheply, Chief Building Official, provided a brief presentation on the local building code amendments approved by the Board in April. After some questions and discussion by the members and opening the floor for public comment, Chair Geisreiter suggested formation of a subcommittee to consider this matter.

Motion: Geisreiter **Second:** Harris-Altice
Appoint Commissioners Jones and Wells, and Mando Morlos to a new HAC subcommittee formed to review the local building code amendments that relate to Housing and report back on their findings at a subsequent HAC meeting.

Action: Motion passed forming subcommittee of Jones, Wells and Morlos.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 1 (Barr)

Absent: 3

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.