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REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 7, 2016
APPROVED MINUTES

Scheduled start time: 7:00 PM

Place: Pauma Valley Community Center
16650 Hwy. 76
Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM.

- a. Roll Call and quorum established: We had four members present: Andy Mathews, Chairman; Brad Smith, Vice Chairman; Fritz Stumpges, Secretary; and Ben Brooks. Robert Smith was in the process of resigning due to health problems and Stephanie Spencer was absent. We have one vacant seat for which we have recommended Bill Jacobs.

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- a. The minutes of May 3, 2016 had been previously submitted to all, corrected and resubmitted for final review. Ben made a motion to approve as presented, Fritz gave the second and they were approved 4-0-1-2.

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION, OPEN FORUM:

- a. This is an informal opportunity for community member comments on any matters of concern within our area of jurisdiction that are not on the agenda already. There were no comments from the audience but Fritz then informed the group of the county's response to his complaints about abandoned motor homes and trailers on Ron Cassini's property, Parcel No. 111-120-48-00 adjacent to El Sendero Road. He stated that he had been given the name of Thomas Causey as the officer on this case at county's code enforcement. Tom stated that there has been a case open on this for a long time, # PDS2013-ENFGEN-000439. Nothing more can be done than the fines already levied against the property. The owner is unresponsive because the property is worthless since it was denied building permits due to inability to pass septic percolation tests. He said that he would look at the property again because of the reported new abandonments.

4. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. We then discussed the proposed General Plan Amendment for the Agricultural Promotion Ordinance (APO) [PDS2015-ER-15-00-001]. We began with unanimous support for the administrative and other changes in the APO that would simplify and facilitate the required approvals for activities addressed by the APO. But we then raised traffic and enforcement issues. Andy led a lengthy discussion on the defective traffic projections based on non-existent traffic studies leading to very inaccurate projections. We also discussed the negative implications to allowing unfettered degradation of Levels of Service designations. We finished with concerns over lack of current enforcement of roadside vendors and the resulting implication of possible further degradation of local quality of life by not addressing these concerns. We moved to have Andy write our concerns into a document of comments to the county. Brad so moved, and Ben gave the second. It was approved 4-0-1-2. See Addendum 1, the copy of the Comments sent for details.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

- a. Andy informed us that Chairman Smith had indicated his intention of resigning from the Group due to health problems. He also informed us that the BOS still hasn't approved our recommendation of Bill Jacobs to fill the first vacancy. We now have a new seat to fill and should begin advertising for a replacement and, in this, we should continue to consider our attempted outreach for representation on our Group from the local Native American tribes.
- b. There were no communications to the group requiring a response.
- c. There were no expenses to approve or submit.
- d. The next meeting is scheduled for July 5, 2016. Andy stated that we would be reviewing the issue of the new groundwater sustainability requirements with a presentation by the county. There will be a lot of community interest and we should spread the word about this important subject and meeting where the community can learn and give their opinions.

6. ADJOURNMENT: We adjourned at 7:48 PM.

RE: ADDENDUM 1.

Fritz Stumpges,
PPCSG Secretary

These minutes were approved at the July 5th meeting as submitted. Ben made the motion to approve and Brad gave the second. They were approved 5-0.

Comments of Pala Pauma Community Sponsor Group ("PPCSG") regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Report of the proposed Agricultural Promotion Ordinance ("APO") and associated proposed General Plan Amendment ("pGPA"); the ("DEIR").

On June 7, 2016 the Pala Pauma Community Sponsor Group (the "PPCSG") held its regular monthly public meeting considered the DEIR and upon motion made, seconded and adopted (4 in favor; 1 absent; 2 vacancies) authorized the making of the following comments:

I. Reduction of application complexity

PPCSG generally supports the administrative and other changes contained in the APO, especially those that simplify and facilitate the acquisition of required approvals for activities addressed by the APO.

However, PPCSG believes that the mitigation proposals contained in the DEIR are deficient in that they will adversely affect the quality of life in the area of concern of PPCSG and generally within the unincorporated areas of the County of San Diego.

II. Traffic

1. ADT Projections

PPCVSG believes that the projections of ADT contained in the DEIR are based upon estimates of public involvement that are widely optimistic. Moreover, the ADT projections are based upon traffic volume data that are not current; a parametric assumption that the DEIR defends on the basis that it would be impractical to conduct County-wide traffic surveys. However, the result is a projection of unknown error and significant recommendations are made in the DEIR based upon those potentially hugely inaccurate projections.

PPCSG strongly recommends that, at least for those road segments that are projected in the DEIR to become Levels of Service ("LOS") 'E' and 'F', current traffic surveys are conducted, projection values reestablished, and mitigation recommendations revised as may be resultant.

2. General Plan changes to LOS on SR-76

Based upon these apparently unreliable ADT data the pGPA seeks to add two road segments of approximately 8 miles in total of SR-76 roadway to the list of road segments where adding travel lanes is not justified. Such an action continues to create public danger on road segments that are (i) already highly traveled with peak traffic creating convoys of vehicles, (ii) adding further LOS 'E' and 'F' designations to extend road segments that are already so classified, and (iii) in conflict with the CalTrans development of a traffic circle at the SR-76 and Valley Center Road intersection which is an entry to and exit from the segment from Valley Center Road to South Grade Road and South Grade Road segment.

PPCSG is unable to comprehend how one agency is acting to improve public safety and ease traffic flow at the same point that the County of San Diego is acting in a way that increases jeopardy of public safety and will impede traffic flow.

III. Enforcement

PPCSG recommends that the DEIR considers the costs, efforts and established requirements for additional enforcement of the provisions of the APO. The present situation on SR-76 with sale of product from the backs of vehicles parked on the roadside and from non-conforming stands is dangerous. It is not apparent that any enforcement action is taken to enforce the present ordinance, let alone the increase in stands likely to result from the APO.