

COUNTY OF VENTURA
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes – April 12, 2017

1. 9:03 am – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Committee: Scott Deardorff, District 1
Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Chair
Gordon Kimball, District 3
Patty Waters, District 4
Bobby Jones, District 5
Ex-officio: Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner

3. Staff/Others Present: Korinne Bell, Tina Hayward, and Monica Sanoja from the Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner's Office; Brian Baca from the Ventura County Resource Management Agency; Lynn Jensen from the Ventura County Coalition of Labor, Agriculture, and Business; Others may have been present but did not sign in.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Patty Waters requested a full and complete copy of all chapters of the Ventura County General Plan Update which pertain to agriculture, provided in advance of APAC's review of the Background Report.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

The Ventura County General Plan Update Newsletter No.1 – March 2017 was provided to APAC.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approve agenda – With removal of one item as presenter was not present.
By Waters; seconded by Kimball
Vote: 5-0

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Approve February 8, 2017 minutes – With alteration of Item 9C to include "and other notification plans."
By Deardorff; seconded by Kimball
Vote: 5-0

9. PRESENTATION/ACTION

- A. Brian Baca from the Ventura County Resource Management Agency discussed Oak Grove School's application for Conditional Use Permit PL16-0153.
- Motion: The Committee encouraged communication between the grower/producer and the school, that the grower/producer create and implement a notification plan, that the school provide a schedule to the grower/producer, and that building structures be relocated.
By: Waters; seconded by Deardorff
Vote: 5-0
- Second Motion: The Committee added to the first motion that schools should not be near agricultural production.
By: Waters; seconded by Deardorff
Vote: 5-0
- B. Henry Gonzales, Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner provided an invasive pest update.
- No action taken.
- C. The Nomination and election of the Chair and Vice Chair for the APAC was voted.
- Motion: The Committee elected Sanger Hedrick to remain as the Chair and Scott Deardorff to remain as the Vice-Chair.
By: Kimball; seconded by Jones
Vote: 5-0

10. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Proposals for future agenda items:
- 1) The Planning Director of the Ventura County Resource Management Agency to speak with APAC regarding the proposed wildlife corridor.
 - 2) The definition of "Agricultural Contractor's Service and Storage Yard" will need to be discussed.
 - 3) The definition of "agriculture" will be discussed during the General Plan update process.
 - 4) The Ventura County General Plan will need to be reviewed.
- B. Future meeting dates confirmed.

11. Meeting adjourned by Sanger Hedrick at 10:50 a.m.