



VENTURA COUNTY

Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee



Sanger Hedrick, Chair, District 2; Scott Deardorff, District 1; Gordon Kimball, District 3; Patty Waters, District 4; Bobby Jones, District 5

MEETING MINUTES January 12, 2021

1. 9:05 a.m. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Committee: Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Chair
Scott Deardorff, District 1
Gordon Kimball, District 3
Patty Waters, District 4 - absent
Bobby Jones, District 5

Staff/Others Present: Ed Williams, Alec Thille, Blair Brillante, & Miriam Mendez from the Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner's Office were present; members of the public and representatives of interested parties participated via Zoom.

3. CORRESPONDENCE
None.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS
None.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion: Approve agenda as-published
By Kimball, seconded by Deardorff
Vote: 4-0

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mary Ann Krause – Introduced herself and work history, provided historical context for the former Santa Clara Wastewater facility & disaster, and expressed dissatisfaction with the new applicant to permit future use of the facility. She advocated for a more comprehensive Environmental Impact Report and for stronger mitigating measures.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Approve and archive November 17th APAC meeting minutes

By Kimball, seconded by Deardorff

Vote: 3-0 (Jones abstaining)

8. PRESENTATION/ACTION

- A. Adoption of a resolution continuing the authorization of remote teleconference meetings of the Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee for a 30-day period pursuant to Government Code section 54953, subdivision (e), of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Motion: Adopt the resolution

By Deardorff, seconded by Kimball

Vote: 4-0

- B. Agricultural Commissioner staff Alec Thille presented for discussion policy questions regarding Land Use analyses of Wireless Communication Facilities and projects that may impact solar access on agricultural lands.
Advise provided to staff, no action taken.

- C. Annemiek Schilder, Director of the Ventura County UC Cooperative Extension, presented industry feedback of a proposed cole crop host-free period.
No action taken.

- D. Annemiek Schilder, Director of the Ventura County UC Cooperative Extension, presented an update on UCCE activities and programs.
No action taken.

- E. Agricultural Commissioner Ed Williams, Agricultural Commissioner, presented a department update on activities and programs important to Ventura County agriculture.
No action taken.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. APAC Members

Continue the resolution authorizing remote teleconference meetings

- B. Staff

Proposal for future agenda items:

Discussion of Conditional Use Permit application PL15-0106: Ri-Nu Services

10. Meeting adjourned by Sanger Hedrick at 10:27 a.m.