SOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL Minutes of the December 17, 2007 Meeting

Members Present:

Rick Dean El-Jay Hansson Dan Woodson Reggie Dion Phil Henry Richard Wright

Ed Eby Vince McCarthy
Dan Gaddis Deborah Sprague

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Phil Henry at 6:30 PM. Dick Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Debbie Sprague called the roll and a quorum was declared.

Agenda additions: Water Issues (car washing, fines & jail time) was added to new business.

Rick Dean moved minutes of November meeting be approved, 2nd by El-Jay Hansson, Passed

Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Franks absent

Comments from the Chair:

Black Lake Canyon. Land Conservancy sent letter acknowledging SCAC's right of approval on any TDC matters in the South County area.

Supervisor's meeting on Jan. 6, 2008 will include Halcyon Road Project, a Park and Ride lot at Los Berros Road and three 120 foot wind generating towers with 20 food blades off Guadalupe Road.

Community Presentations

Cal Fire: Battalion Chief Bill Fisher (Unable to attend)

SLO Co. Sheriff Commander – represented by Deputy Tony Perry. Spoke about the search for prisoner Francisco Moreno, who escaped from a work detail at the K-Mart shopping center in Arroyo Grande

Will have the Crime prevention office place an article in the local paper with information on social security and bank fraud

CHP: Lt Mark Badovinac, SLO office (Unable to attend)

Park Commissioner: Paul Teixeira (Unable to attend)

NCSD: Mike Winn spoke for Jim Harrison who was out sick.

Reported on Dec. 8, NIMS, SMS (emergency response services) day of training. Areas of concern were Diablo Power plant's emergency earthquake readiness concerning damage to water pipes

Re analysis of the areas water (above sea level). They looked at a 30-year average with growth and anticipate running out of water in 12 years if something isn't done soon. Declared that future growth isn't the problem; it is the growth from the *past 12 years* that has created the problem.

They looked at desalination and other options and the costs associated.

Turn-out (connection to State Project at Thompson and Tefft) was not likely to happen.

NCSD conferring with Santa Barbara about a desalination plant which they have.

Sorell Marks is coming to the NCSD meeting Jan. 9 to discus proposed septic tank standards, (repair and maintenance). Also to be discussed on the 9^{th} are water supply and drought issues.

Jan. 30, at 6:30 p.m., there will be a public workshop at Nipomo High School, regarding emergency water supply regulations.

Framework for Planning

Before the board's next meeting, there will be amendments to the Plan, including changes to Affordable Housing Inclusionary Housing sections.

Planning is proposing a review, but not a full study, of Environmental Impact

Planning will review Coastal Zone first – meetings on the 2nd & 4th Thursday in January

Planning will then roll over the approved version for the Inland Zone

Review and Modification language needs to be clear and restrictive

Level 2 or Level 3 Water Severity - Planning Dept will process new plans in this area until there is a solution

Rick Dean made a motion proposing specific language for recommendations. Second by El-Jay Hansson, All in favor, without abstentions.

Send a letter to the Planning Commission, James Lopes, Katcho, Chuck Stevenson, John Nall, and Michael Wolkan.

Under Section 5 – Horse trails –made a motion to include 8 in favor, 1 opposed (Dan Woodson)

PUBLIC COMMENT None

OLD BUSINESS:

Smart Growth Strategies vs. Growth in Nipomo, Vice Chair Reggie Dion. Suggested aspects and requirements for planning department to separate the high-density projects instead of grouping them together in small areas, and to give clear restrictions for number units per acre, square mile, or other units.

El-Jay moved to form a Smart Growth committee, second by Rick Dean. All in favor. The committee will be comprised of Reggie Dion (Chair), Mike Winn, Dan Gaddis, Dan Woodson, and Rick Dean.

Rick Dean suggested that Phil Henry write a letter to the Planning Commission expressing dismay over their acceptance of increasing the number of units, while decreasing the number of parking spaces.

Recommendations regarding Guadalupe Spill Mitigation Funds administered by RWQCB: Dana Adobe preserve is to purchase 100 acres adjacent to their property to create a historic model ranch.

NEW BUSINESS

DRC2007-00075 Paul Allen, MUP to construct barn outside of building envelope. TR 1516, 10 acre site off Whispering Meadow Lane, Nipomo, APN 090-012-013. Council recommended approval, as long as it would not be used as a residence.

New County Water Issues: Jan 15 SLO Co Board of Supervisors will vote on whether or not it would be legal in county areas to wash your car where water would run off into the street. Rick Dean intends to write a letter to the Supervisors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Land Use – Istar Holliday: El-Jay Hansson reported on behalf of Istar, who was unable to attend.

El- Jay noted that the new Jack Ready Park has been delineated by a barbed-wire fence. Since this is a park specific for handicap and learning disabled children, she felt it could be very harmful to someone. She moved that we write a letter to the Parks Department and Board of Supervisors. Seconded by Rick Dean 2nd. All in favor, no abstentions

DRC 2007 Charette, MUP to allow Poultry Ranch and "Granny Unit" on 5 acres at 1791 Illinois Ave in Nipomo. Applicant did not have information on proposed size of flock and Council learned that proposed granny unit is already on site without approval. Motion by Rick Dean, second by El-Jan Hansson to table any decision until more information is forthcoming. 8 in favor, Dick Wright abstained because he lives close to the property.

Traffic & Circulation – Dan Woodson: Nothing new to report at this time.

Next meeting scheduled for January 28, 2008

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM