Sonoma County Planning Commission

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June 29, 2022
Meeting No.: 22-13

Roll Call
Commissioner District 1 Cornwall
Commissioner District 2 Reed
Commissioner District 4 Deas
Commissioner District 5 Koenigshofer
Commissioner District 2, Chair Ocana

Staff Members
Scott Orr, Deputy Director
Gary Helfrich, Staff
Chelsea Holup, Secretary
Verne Ball, Deputy County Counsel

Planning Commission Regular Calendar

Item No.: 1  
Time: 1:05 PM  
File: Sonoma County Local Coastal Plan Update (PLP13-0014)  
Applicant: County of Sonoma  
Owner: Not Applicable  
Cont. from: July 26, 2021  
Staff: Gary Helfrich  
Env. Doc: The project is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as per Section 15265, Adoption of Coastal Plans and Programs. CEQA does not apply to activities and approvals pursuant to the California Coastal Act by any local government, necessary for the preparation and adoption of a local coastal program.

Proposal: The State requires Sonoma County to develop and maintain a Local Coastal Program to regulate land use and protect coastal resources in compliance with the Coastal Act. In June of 2021, a revision to the 2019 Public Review Draft of the Local Coastal Plan was released. This revision, the 2021 Revised Public Review Draft was reviewed by the Sonoma County Planning Commission at their July 26, 2021 meeting. In response to public input the Planning Commission continued this hearing to October 7, 2021 to allow additional time for review and reopened the hearing to consider elements of the plan individually. As part of this extended review, involving 8 additional meetings, the California Coastal Commission provided a line-by-line review of the 2021 Revised Public Review Draft. At the conclusion of the March 28, 2022 reopened hearing, the Planning Commission directed staff to prepare a revised plan incorporating Coastal Commission recommendations and input received from the Planning Commission.

At this hearing, the Planning Commission will hold its final review of the May 2022 Planning Commission Draft Local Coastal Plan, and consider public comments received since the
2021 Revised Public Review Draft was released in June of 2021, as well as policy options based on these comments. The Planning Commission is anticipated to make their final recommendation to the Board of Supervisor for adoption of the Local Coastal Plan at the conclusion of this hearing. The Planning Commission Recommended Draft of the Local Coastal Plan will be considered for adoption by the Board of Supervisors at a future date to be determined.

All interested persons are invited and encouraged to attend and provide comments

Action: Commissioner Koenigshofer motioned to approve the Local Coastal Plan Update with changes as recommended by the Planning Commission to the Board of Supervisors for adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Deas and approved with a 5-0-0 vote.

Appeal Deadline: Not applicable
Resolution No.: 22-04

Vote:
Commissioner District 1 Cornwall Aye
Commissioner District 2 Reed Aye
Commissioner District 4 Deas Aye
Commissioner District 5 Koenigshofer Aye
Commissioner District 2, Chair Ocana Aye

Ayes:5
Noes:0
Absent:0
Abstain:0