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Sonoma County Planning Commission Agenda

Board of Supervisors Chambers
575 Administration Drive, Room 102A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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September 19, 2024
Meeting No.: 24-08

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Commissioner Carr, District 1
Commissioner Reed, District 2
Commissioner Ocaña, District 3
Commissioner Marquez, District 5
Commissioner McCaffery, Chair, District 4

Staff Members

Cecily Condon, Planning Manager
Wil Lyons, Planner II

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Stacie Groll, Administrative Assistant
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Materials

Available digitally through the link in the Agenda and on the Planning Commission website. You can also email PlanningAgency@sonoma-county.org or the project planner to request materials.

1:00 PM Call to order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence

Board of Zoning Adjustments/Board of Supervisors Actions

Commissioner Announcements

Public Appearances for Non-Agenda Items

Items scheduled on the Agenda

Planning Commission Regular Calendar

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Item No.: 1
Time: 1:05 PM
File: Objective Design and Development Standards (Workshop)
Applicant: County of Sonoma
Owner: N/A
Cont. from: N/A
Staff: Wil Lyons
Env. Doc: N/A
Proposal: N/A
Recommended Action: N/A
Location: Countywide
APN: Countywide
District: All
Zoning: Countywide

Action:
Appeal Deadline:
Resolution No.: 24-0_

Vote:

Commissioner Carr
Commissioner Reed
Commissioner Ocaña
Commissioner Marquez
Commissioner McCaffery

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:
Abstain:

Item No.: 2
Time: 1:20 PM
File: PLP16-0054
Applicant: Lucy Hardcastle, President of Forestville Planning Association
Owner: Forestville Planning Association

Cont. from: N/A
Staff: Hannah Spencer
Env. Doc: Mitigated Negative Declaration
Proposal: Zone Change from the PC (Planned Community) zoning district to the PF (Public Facilities) zoning district, General Plan Amendment from the LC (Limited Commercial) Land Use Designation to the PQP (Public and Quasi Public) Land Use Designation, and Use Permit and Design Review for a new public park to be completed in two phases. The project will provide urban open space with opportunities for public recreational amenities, including: a picnic area for 6 tables; an amphitheater with covered stage and sound wall; a plaza gathering area for 20 annual community events with a maximum of 200 attendees; pathways and sidewalks; 24 bicycle parking spaces at West County Trailhead; public restrooms/storage structure; drinking fountain and seating; an improved parking lot for 17 vehicles and one ADA accessible space; drainage improvements; relocated bus stop with a new shelter; trash cans and trash storage area; information kiosk and donor plaque displays; oak woodland and wetlands preservation areas. Hours of operation will be Sunrise to Sunset, 7 days per week.

Recommended

Action: Hold a public hearing to consider a recommendation to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors to adopt the IS/MND and approve the project.

Location: 26990 Front Street and 6720 Hwy 116, Forestville

APN: 083-270-001 and -002

District: Five

Zoning: PC (Planned Community), LG/116 (Local Area Guidelines/Highway 116), OAK (Oak Woodland), and SR (Scenic Resources)

Action:

Appeal Deadline:

Resolution No.: 24-0_

Vote:

Commissioner Carr

Commissioner Reed

Commissioner Ocaña

Commissioner Marquez

Commissioner McCaffery

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Permit Sonoma Hearing Waiver Calendar

This calendar serves only to notify the public of hearing waiver projects. The projects listed below are not on the current agenda.

File: UPE21-0054
Project Name: Illegal Grading Restoration and Wetland Recreation Project
Applicant: Brahma Brewery
Staff: Rich Stabler
Location: 800 Helman Ln., Cotati
APN: 046-074-002

Project Description: Use Permit for removal of illegal fill (VGR21-0008) and associated restoration work within the 50-foot Riparian Corridor (RC) setback on a 9.88-acre parcel. The extent of disturbance within the RC-setback is approximately 7,100 square feet.

Last Day for Public Comment: September 22, 2024

Public Appearances for Non-Agenda Items: Shortly after the hearing begins, the PC invites public participation regarding the affairs of the County. Any person desiring to speak on any matter which is not scheduled on this agenda may do so. Comments may be limited to three minutes, or as imposed at the discretion of the Chair. Under State Law, matters presented during public appearances cannot be discussed or acted upon by the PC commissioners.

Public Appearances for Agenda Items: PC hearings begin at 1:00 PM and are recorded. Agenda items begin on or after the time stated on the agenda. After a county staff project presentation and commission questions, the public hearing is then opened. The applicant may then give a 10-minute project presentation followed by public comments. The time limit for public comments is at the Chair's discretion and is typically three minutes per speaker. Please state your name for the record when you are called upon. Questions raised by the public may be answered after all public comments are given. The Commission may request staff or the applicant to answer questions, and the applicant is given the opportunity to respond to any public comments. The public hearing is then closed, and no further public comments are received. The commissioners discuss the project and make a decision by motion and roll call vote.

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Hearing Waiver Calendar: The hearing waiver calendar lists projects proposed for public hearing waivers for informational purposes only. The listed items are not scheduled on the current or uncontested calendars. For more information on the hearing waiver item, contact the planner assigned to the project or fill out a 'Request for Information' card.

Uncontested Calendar: All items listed on the uncontested calendar are considered to be routine. The Chair will open the public hearing on all items simultaneously. If no one from the public addresses the PC, the hearing will be closed, and the items may be acted upon with a single majority vote.

Public Comments

Please follow the instructions below to submit a Public Comment in writing, email or in person via the hearing room. The PC invites interested persons to submit comments which are entered into the permanent record. Written comments received prior to and during the hearing are distributed to the commissioners, staff, and are available to the public via the public copies link in the calendar section of this agenda. Written comments received after the package is made public may be read into the record.

Mail Public Comments: Address letters to: Permit Sonoma, 2550 Ventura Avenue, Attn: Planning Agency Secretary, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 and include the project number. **This is not the location of the hearing.**

Email Public Comments: Email comments to: PlanningAgency@sonoma-county.org. Please provide your name and the project number. It is advised to email comments (no later than the day before) prior to the hearing date to give commissioners and staff review time.

If you wish to speak on an item which appears on this agenda, please fill out a speaker card and drop it in the box near the staff table. You will be called by the Chair in the order received. Your name, will be announced when it's your turn to speak (1 public comment is allowed per person). The meetings are recorded and all in person testimony must be given through the microphone. Please state your name upon approaching the microphone. Each person may speak only once and is usually granted 3 minutes. Time limits are at the discretion of the Chair. Questions raised by the public are to be directed to the Commission. At the end of the hearing,

the Commission may ask staff or the applicant to respond to any questions raised during the hearing.

If you wish to comment on a hearing waiver item, submit your comment directly to the assigned planner prior to the “last day for public comment” date listed for each item.

Please Be Respectful of others and the varying points of view. No clapping, booing, or speaking out of turn.

Please Be Courteous turn off cell phones and pagers while the meeting is in session.