

Industry Working Group
January 25, 2017 Meeting Notes

Purpose of Working Group: To provide a regular venue for vendors, contractors, homeowners and others who frequently do business at Community Services' permitting counter to share concerns/identify solutions.

Goal: To improve service delivery and strengthen relationships with the community.

Attendees: Leslie Lindbo, Jack Kasbergen, Kevin Kiesz, Spencer Defty, Taro Echiburu, Barry Burns, Dan Tafoya, Krista Piazza

- **Review of Rules of Engagement:**

Rules of Engagement

1. Share the airtime
2. Listen to understand and for the future to emerge
3. Disagree without being disagreeable
4. Share your experience (not others)
5. Stay open to new ways of doing things; all ideas are valid
6. Respect each other's thinking and value their contributions
7. Speak your truth, without blame or judgment
8. Ask what's possible?" not "what's wrong"? Keep asking.
9. Seek common ground and understanding (not problems and conflict)
10. Stay focused on the topic at hand; out of the weeds and swamps

- **Receive updates on draft MOU between Yolo County and Fire Districts**

- West Sacramento Fire Chief, John Heilmann, as the fire district associate chair is assisting to develop agreements among district fire chiefs about MOU content. Leslie has a meeting scheduled with Chief Heilmann on 1/26. County Counsel is researching legal authority and county is reaching out to State Fire Marshall for guidance.

- **Receive updates on any changes in building codes**

- Leslie and Taro briefly discussed updates on the energy and electrical codes. There was a recommendation that a summary of code changes be posted on the website.

- **Receive update regarding unlicensed contractors**

- Contractors are required to obtain permits. If building inspector suspects work without permits they will inquire with the contractor and inform about permit requirements. Chronic violators will be investigated by the Department of Community Services, and may be reported to appropriate authorities.

- **FEMA Flood Zone Determinations and Requirements**

- Taro discussed changes in the flood ordinance that will prevent the ability to build ag exempt buildings in a flood zone.

- **Receive future agenda items**

- Determination of what is considered a bedroom for septic system sizing
- Fees: How fees are determined
- Requirements for clearing outstanding permits
- Customer service and program improvements.

Next Meeting: March 22, 2017