

FINAL Minutes

ESPARTO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Esparto Regional Library

17065 Yolo Ave, Esparto, CA 95627

Attending: George Pennebaker, Cynthia Havstad, John Hulsman Jr, Pat Harrison, Jack Moris, Sandie Reed, Randy Jacobs, Babs Beckwith

Absent: Susan Cooper

MEETING ADMINISTRATION

1. CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 by J. Hulsman

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There was a motion by to approve the agenda by G Pennebaker, seconded by R Jacobs. Vote: all in favor of the agenda, none opposed.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. June 4, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes: There was a motion by to approve the minutes, as revised, by S Reed, seconded by P Harrison. Vote: all in favor for approving the minutes with the edit, none opposed. B. Beckwith and C. Havstad abstained.

b. June 19 , 2018 Minutes: There was a motion to approve the minutes, as revised, by P Harrison, seconded by S Reed. Edits were suggested by J. Hulsman. Vote: all in favor for approving the minutes with the edits, none opposed.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) Friends of the Library is now open at noon, so high school students can come in at lunchtime. The library will also be offering ESL classes. A potential \$40,000 grant from the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation will be used to renovate this room, the Winton Room, including the purchase of chromebooks.

b) A groundbreaking ceremony for the roundabout in Madison was held today. The plan is to start working on the roundabout in approximately 2 weeks.

c) Taste of Capay is set for October 21st at Full Belly Farm.

d) The bridge is installed behind the Park and Pool. There is a video on youtube.

e) There was a discussion of the County fire and the need for up to date emergency instructions on the county website.

PUBLIC FORUM

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This agenda item provides the opportunity for members of the public to address the Advisory Committee on any subject not related to items on the agenda. The Chair reserves the right to impose a reasonable limit on the time afforded to any individual speaker.

a) Residents expressed concern about the lots of dry weeds and the possible fire hazard, although they understand there is no funding for code enforcement until the cannabis ordinance is finalized. J. Hulsman will ask the fire department if they can review the situation and communicate with property owners that are not keeping weeds controlled.

6. COUNTY UPDATE

a) Traffic study has been completed for the gas station project, which will go back to the BOS in late fall.

7. ACTION ITEMS

NONE

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a) Draft letter with comments to CalTrans: S Reed identified the concerns on the CalTrans project. She will send the document electronically to all committee members for comments.

b) Continue discussion of the Esparto Community Plan update:

Map on page 7 was clarified with flood areas and the change in boundaries.

Chapter 3: policies now includes references to fuller descriptions later in the document. JD Trebec walked us through the goals and policies. E-LU.3 previous language prohibited development without water and sewer services. Discussion about accommodating additional housing while at the same time taking land area that is in a flood zone out of the growth boundary, with one resident expressing concern about added growth increasing crime rates. JD Trebec confirmed that the community has adequate water. Discussion about the removal of Rural Residential zone, which can take land out of agriculture.

Discussion of changing away from DMX zoning, replacing it with differentiated development guidelines for the Historic Business District.

Discussion of the need for a community center and what zoning is required.

Discussion of Esparto Depot area.

Discussion about Residential design guidelines and question about mowing strips. JD Trebec would like our comments on this issue. Discussion continued through light industrial.

Review of Timeline: August ECAC meeting we are scheduled for continuing the discussion. Then the draft goes to Planning Commission in September. In order to finish the review, it was decided that ECAC would hold an additional special meeting July 31st, 7 pm in the Wintun Room of the Esparto library. ECAC will also see it again in September. ECAC's next regularly scheduled meeting is on August 21, 2018.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Continued discussion of the Esparto Community Plan.

10. ADJOURNMENT

B Beckswith made a motion we adjourn. G Pennebaker seconds. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

11. COMMUNITY FORUM:

None