

Final Minutes

ESPARTO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Esparto Regional Library

17065 Yolo Ave, Esparto, CA 95627

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

Absent: George Pennebaker

MEETING ADMINISTRATION

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

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

J Moris added the formation of a subcommittee for a cannabis tour. There was a motion to approve the agenda, with the addition, by J. Moris. seconded by P Harrison. Vote: all in favor of the agenda, none opposed.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a) August 21, 2018 Minutes: There was a motion by J Moris to approve the minutes, seconded by R. Jacobs. Vote: all in favor for approving the minutes, none opposed.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) B Beckwith asks everyone to spread the word about the Night Out on October 2nd.
- b) Reminder by J Moris about Capay Valley Vision's Taste of Capay Event scheduled for October 21st.

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.

NONE

6. COUNTY UPDATE

a) Pool: a compacted crushed rock parking lot has been planned but the County is taking another look at the issue. Thursday there will be a Pool Project Development Meeting here at the library at 6:00 pm to discuss the parking lot. Jill Cook has indicated that interested parties will be welcome. Steve Knightly provided additional details on the issues of the parking lot, the maintenance and fees.

b) No update on the gas station.

## 7. ACTION ITEMS

a) J Moris has been appointed as chair of a subcommittee to tour the local cannabis operations, in order to help the ECAC understand the issue before the ordinance comes before the committee. The subcommittee must have less than a quorum which puts a limit of 4 ECAC members touring an operation at a time. J Morris will set up times and let the ECAC members know.

## 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a) Discussion of the Planning Commission workshop on the Esparto Community Plan:

1. Tree lists will be included in the appendix. JD Trebec shared an example that is consolidated from the list in the Yolo County Design Guidelines. J. Moris recommended trees that do not require irrigation once established.
2. Parks: Esparto is required to have a minimum of 20 acres of park space, based on our estimated population after the new developments are completed. There are currently 10 acres, so we are short. JD Trebec suggested exercise stations along the path to the east of the pool and park, effectively develop it into park. Other ideas were considered. C Havstad asked for a definition of a park. JD Trebec thinks that we will need to ask more of the developments that are coming in and we need to plan a park on the west side. Maintenance is an important element. Discussion of developing the path between the two schools for walking, and a path that goes all the way across town. Discussion of a trail that would eventually connect to Capay.
3. Historic Section: The 1984 inventory of historic buildings, with a map, will be included as an appendix. A Planning commission member wondered if the 22 feet is a hard standard to meet and whether it should perhaps be a guideline rather than a requirement. J Hulsman expressed opinion that the standard would have only required another 18" in order for the Ravine Bar & Grill to meet the height requirement, and that old towns often have false front buildings. Many ECAC members indicated an interest in keeping the standard. Parking requirements as a limitation to businesses in the downtown area were also discussed. JD Trebec indicated that the county was allowing some flexibility on parking.
4. The planning commission discussed including potential funding sources for community plan objectives. It was agreed that this information must not be specific or tied to particular projects.
5. JD also included as an implementation item that the County needs to identify funding mechanism for a complete sidewalk system by 2020.
6. JD Trebec is working on the CEQA requirements. Once notice is made, there will be a 30 day public comment period. The goal is to bring the Community Plan back to the PC in November, then to BOS in the December. JD Trebec encourages ECAC members to look it over again, and let him know about any other ideas or questions.

c) CalTrans letter: Email was sent without an attachment, the topic was thus moved to agenda for the next meeting.

#### 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Letter to Cal Trans

Report from the Cannabis subcommittee.

Request for Valley Clean Energy Update.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

C Havstad made a motion we adjourn. B Beckwith seconded. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

#### 11. COMMUNITY FORUM:

None