

# **AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

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## AGENDA July 9, 2014 6:30pm Board of Supervisors Meeting Room 330 Fair Lane - Building A, Placerville, California

Public testimony will be received on each agenda item as it is called. The applicant is allocated 10 minutes to speak; individual comments are limited to 3 minutes; and individuals representing a group are allocated 5 minutes.

Items not on the agenda may be addressed by the general public during Public Forum. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person. The Commission reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote. Public Forum is for comments only. No action will be taken on these items unless they are scheduled on a future agenda.

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NOTICE: All Agricultural Commission Administrative Relief decisions pertaining to AGRICULTURAL SETBACKS may file an application with the Board of Supervisors within 10 days of the decision. Such applications shall be made to the Development Services Department.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

#### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Minutes of June 9, 2014

#### IV. PUBLIC FORUM

V. WAC13-0009, WAC13-0010, & WAC13-0011; Planning Services has requested a review and recommendation by the Agricultural Commission regarding an application by Thomas Van Noord for three new Williamson Act Contracts and one non-renewal. Agricultural Preserve #283 consists of the following five parcels (APNs 089-010-45, 089-010-67, 089-010-68, 089-010-69, and 089-010-70. The applicant is requesting to rescind the existing contract and re-enter into three new contracts for three of the five parcels. The non-renewal request is for parcel number 089-010-45, owned by the Wellborn Family Trust and consisting of 22.91 acres, and parcel number 089-010-68, owned by Thomas Van Noord and

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consisting of 10.46 acres. This project is located in the Gold Hill area, District V.

Specific WAC requests and parcel information are below.

- 1. WAC 13-0009:
  - 1. Parcel Number 089-010-69
  - 2. Acreage = 50 acres
  - 3. Zoning = Exclusive Agriculture (AE)
  - 4. Land Use Designation = Agricultural Land (AL)
  - 5. Property is being used for cattle grazing.
  - 6. Capital outlay reported for fencing (5-strand barbed wire), brush clearing, road maintenance, EID water and irrigation = \$10,000 +
  - 7. Current gross annual income reported: \$2,000
- 2. WAC 13-0010:
  - 1. Parcel Number 089-010-67
  - 2. Acreage = 76.55 acres
  - 3. Zoning = Exclusive Agriculture (AE)
  - 4. Land Use Designation = Agricultural Land (AL)
  - 5. Property is being used for cattle grazing.
  - 6. Capital outlay reported for fencing, brush clearing, and road maintenance = \$10,000 +
  - 7. Current gross annual income reported: \$2,000
- 3. WAC 13-0011:
  - 1. Parcel Number 089-010-70
  - 2. Acreage = 50 acres
  - 3. Zoning = Exclusive Agricultural (AE)
  - 4. Land Use Designation = Agricultural Land (AL)
  - 5. Property is being used for cattle grazing.
  - Capital outlay reported for fencing, brush clearing, and road maintenance, water development = \$10,000 +
  - 7. Current gross annual income reported: \$2,000

<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Staff recommends APPROVAL of WAC 13-0009, WAC 13-0010, and WAC 13-0011 as the parcels continue to meet the minimum criteria for a low intensive agricultural operation in Williamson Act Contract:

1) Acreage of parcels meets the minimum requirement of 50 acres at 50+ acres.

- 2) Capital outlay meets the minimum requirement of \$10,000 at \$10,000+.
- 3) Gross income exceeds the minimum requirement of \$2,000/year at \$2,000.

Staff recommends APPROVAL of the applicant's request for a partial roll-out/non-renewal of parcel numbers 089-010-45 and 089-010-68, removing the parcels from

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WAC # 283, as neither parcel contributes to the agricultural production of the contract and neither parcel meets the minimum Williamson Act Contract criteria for a low intensive agricultural operation.

# VI. LEGISLATION AND REGULATORY ISSUES – Charlene Carveth

# VII. CORRESPONDENCE and PLANNING REQUESTS – None

- VIII. OTHER BUSINESS Charlene Carveth
  - National Organic Certification Cost Share Program

## IX. ADJOURNMENT