

**ORANGE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

**HEARING DATE: AUGUST 28, 2013**

**II. Roll Call**

*All commissioners were present, with the exception of an excused absence by Commissioner Hall and Commissioner Nguyen.*

**III. Consent Item(s) – Minutes of August 14, 2013**

*The minutes of August 14, 2013 were moved for approval by Commissioner Adams and seconded by Commissioner Secor as submitted, and approved by a unanimous vote.*

**IV. Discussion Item(s)**

**ITEM #1 INITIATION OF SPECIFIC PLAN FOR ESPERANZA HILLS – APPLICANTS, YORBA LINDA ESTATES LLC – LOCATION, APN 351-031-04, 351-031-06, AND 326-031-06 (CITY OF YORBA LINDA SPHERE OF INFLUENCE) – THIRD DISTRICT**

A request to initiate the preparation of a Specific Plan for the Esperanza Hills property per Zoning Code Section 7-9-156.

**Recommended Action:**

1. Receive staff report and public testimony as appropriate;
2. Find that the subject action is not a project as defined by CEQA pursuant to Section 15378(b)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines; and,
3. Authorize initiation of the Esperanza Hills Specific Plan.

The following is the action taken by the Orange County Planning Commission:

*The motion for Item #1 was made by Commissioner Adams and seconded by Commissioner Secor to find that the subject action is not a project as defined by CEQA pursuant to Section 15378(b)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines; and to authorize initiation of the Esperanza Hills Specific Plan.*

APPROVE

OTHER

DELETED

Unanimous  (1) Nguyen: X (2) Adams: Y (3) Secor: Y (4) Irons: Y (5) Hall: X

Vote Key: Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused

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**Special Notes:** Kevin Canning, Contract Planner with the County of Orange, presented the staff report and answered questions from the Commissioners. Michael Recupero of Recupero and Associates spoke on behalf of the Cielo Vista applicants. He stated that although a major thoroughfare crossing through the Cielo Vista property seemed to be indicated on one of the sample Esperanza Hills Specific Plan exhibits shown to the Commissioners, he wished to inform the Commissioners that the applicants for Cielo Vista have not agreed to this thoroughfare.

### V. Reports from OC Planning

#### a) Upcoming Agenda Items

##### September 11, 2013

Continued Hearing for Appeal of PA130011 – Horton Residence

##### October 23, 2013

Housing Element and GPA 12-01

#### b) Reports on Recent Actions of the Board of Supervisors

On August 20<sup>th</sup>, the Board approved the plan specification estimates and authorized advertisement of bids for the La Pata Road Extension project.

#### c) Major Decisions and Proposals of Staff

1. The Housing Element continues to go through the review process. It was submitted to the Housing and Community Development Department at the end of July and will be going before the Airport Land Use Commission in October.
2. The Zoning Code Amendment for Emergency Shelters and Affordable Housing provisions will also go before the Airport Land Use Commission in September, prior to going before the Board in October.
3. Staff has been working with the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in anticipation of the Regional Transportation Plan update and the Sustainable Community Strategy effort.
4. Mass grading was issued for PA2 of the Ranch Plan. A rough grading plan submittal is expected in the coming weeks. Planned Communities is also going through a process of selecting a bench of on-call consultants, in anticipation that PA2 will have a lot more activity compared to PA1.
5. OC Planning has a very robust internship program. In the 2012-2013 fiscal year, Planning had a total of 24 part-time interns. Their contributions resulted in 3,282 hours of production.
6. August saw an increase of development activity at the public counter, with a total of 842 walk-up customers, to date.

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d) Previous Commission or Commissioner Requests

None

e) Litigation

None

**Planning Commission Hearing adjourned at 2:00 p.m.**