

## AVILA VALLEY ADVISORY COUNCIL (AVAC)

San Luis Obispo County, CA

### MINUTES

November 14, 2016

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1. **Call to Order:** by Chair, Ken San Filippo for regular meeting held at 7:00 p.m., PG&E Community Center. **Roll Call:** Ken San Filippo, Lisa Newton, Julia Hartzell, Anne Brown (alt), Mary El Hansen, Sherri Danoff, Jim Hartig, Ken Thompson, Bob Pusanik, Mike Grantham, Saul Goldberg, Karla Bittner (alt), Lynn Walter (alt), Denise Allen, Mike Casola, Steve Fiant: Excused: Kirt Collins, Mary Matakovich, Marty Brand, Kirk Collins. Quorum established.
2. **Approve Minutes:** for October 10, 2016. Motion to approve/second (Goldberg/Thompson) Approved. Mike Grantham abstain.
3. **Chair's Comments:** Thanks to Hartig in Sept/Oct for acting as Chair. **ii)** McCarthy lot line adjustment to relocate Cave Landing Trail submitted to AVAC. **iii)** Planner asks if AVAC wants presentation for Land Use Ordinance Amendments for Ag Ponds & Reservoirs. Board requests presentation at next meeting or January. **iv)** AB Committee working hard working with developers in Avila. **v)** Sara Sanders has new report for Avila Planning & Building Projects. **vi)** San Filippo attended Community Advisory Council meeting put on by Planning. He is also attending the Citizens Planning Academy (7 sessions).
4. **Public Comments:** None
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Fiant. Balance \$821.82
6. **County Reports:**
  - a) **Sheriff:** Commander Jim Taylor: Oct 10-Nov.14: 60 calls for service, down from 85 prior month. **ii)** Lock your homes and cars.
  - b) **Highway Patrol:** Capt. Michael Bueno: No report.
  - c) **CAL Fire:** Batt. Chief Paul Lee: 39 call for service, 23 medically related. **ii)** Down staffing for fire season. All aircraft will remain. **iii)** Ontario Ridge fire clearance complete. Project was grant funded. Next project on Davis Ridge above See Canyon. **iv)** Time change reminder to change batteries in fire alarms and carbon monoxide units.
  - d) **Planning:** Sara Sanders: **i)** Chart #7; Lot line adjustment, Serenade homes, approved by Subdivision Review Board. **ii)** #15, new project added; Three Sylvester Sisters—parcel map with CUP. **iii)** #11 Community Plan Update, web up—[www. EnvisionAvila.org](http://www.EnvisionAvila.org). First workshop 80 attended. Next Envisioning workshop February 9, 6:30-8:00 p.m. **iv)** All AB Committee dates have been set. AVAC Executive Committee trying to establish protocol clarification for projects with Planning staff.
  - e) **Public Works:** Mike Britton is replacing Jeremy Ghent: **i)** Update to Circulation Study—not complete; maybe in next two months. Still working with consultant. Exhibit A, 2016 Update: No changes to the Road Improvement fee; no new projects at this time. **iii)** Street light at Ontario and SLBE Drive needs installation. Status not known. **iv)** ) Road fees substantially lower in Avila area. Opportunity for fee increase rests with Circulation Update. **v)** Parking at San Miguel St. (cone avenue) problematic. Working with Property owners for resolution.
  - f) **County Parks:** Nick Franco/Shawn Cooper: No Report
  - g) **County Supervisor: Adam Hill:** **i)** Adelaide area vacation rental on Bd. agenda Nov. 15. **ii)** Anaerobic digester has been approved, and now appealed by neighbors—discussion tomorrow. **iii)** Q&A: Walter: We have opportunity to sell off plant and provide future clean energy. Hill: Unless state policies would change, this is highly unlikely. Someone purchasing could offer needed resource. **iv)** Passing a moratorium is difficult because of legal ramifications for property owners.

## 7. **Old Business:**

- a) AVAC letters: **i)** Cave Landing, Nick Franco, Director of Parks & Recreation. AVAC supports modified Cave Landing Park Plan. Request Parks Dept. intended budget submittal. **ii)** Letter to Planner Scheel regarding Development & Parcel Map: Hodge/Salucci Project. Project should not go forward before information which planners and applicant said would be forthcoming to the committee is provided.

## 8. **New Business:**

- a) **Avila Beach Drive Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project, Matthew Reinhart, SLO Co. PW:** This bridge was identified as a structure subject to earthquake damage. It provides access to the harbor. This is a retrofit to increase bridge strength. Construction tentatively planned for spring and summer 2018, with a 9 month construction period. See PW Bridge Projects webpage: [www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/environmentalnoticers/proposed\\_negative\\_declarations\\_reports\\_2016.htm](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/environmentalnoticers/proposed_negative_declarations_reports_2016.htm). Board of Sups need to adopt CEQA document. Pedestrian pathway was not feasible. Planning is looking at adding a pedestrian bridge. No bridge estimate available, about \$5M federal grant. **iii)** PW will be returning for more public input closer to the project. Chevron will be removing pipes under and on top of the bridge.
- b) **Oak Woodland Protection Ordinance, County Update, Megan Martin, SLO Co. Planner: Policies & Programs:** An Interim Zoning Ordinance 3325 has been passed by the Bd. of Sups to protect Inland clear-cutting of Oak trees in SLO. Scope for Interim Ordinance: 1) Prohibits clear-cutting of healthy oaks; 2) Residential development; 3) Size or amount of removal; 3) slopes; 4) LU Management Plan for Oak Woodlands. Expires April 16, 2017 when permanent ordinance should be approved. Outreach meeting December 7, at Atascadero Library for draft ordinance. Contact Megan Martin, Planner III @ [mamartin@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:mamartin@co.slo.ca.us) or (805) 781-4163 for more information.
- c) **2017 Officer Nominations:** Kirt Collins will head committee.
- d) **New Council member (See Canyon) Mike Casola.** Welcome, Mike!

## 9. **Community Liaisons:**

- a) **Avila Beach Civic Association: Lisa Newton:** Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas Pot Luck and meeting. Public invited. Turkey/ham provided. Bring a side dish. **ii)** Doggi parade Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>, Avila Promenade at 11:30. Costumes encouraged (for dogs, of course). Contact Mary Foppiano at [Avilabeachcc@gmail.com](mailto:Avilabeachcc@gmail.com).
- b) **Avila Beach Foundation:** Rick Cohen: Grant applications rankings done. \$55,000 available for 12 grants. \$5,000 was set aside for a future award. **ii)** Jan 1, 2:00 unveiling of public art created by Colleen Gnos for the AB Lifeguard towers. **iii)** Chevron award ABCF a grant.
- c) **Port San Luis: Andrew Lueker:** **i)** Avila Pier feasibility study being done by Netzel Grigsby Associates of Santa Barbara. Question to answer "Is it feasible to raise the funds needed to replace the pier as it currently is and how long will that take?" **ii)** Harbor Terrace scheduled for Commissioners meeting to look at a revised pro forma. The Board will also consider the Exclusive Right to Negotiate. **iii)** Interim Chief Harbor Patrol is Dean Hileman. Applicant deadline for permanent chief is extended to December 2<sup>nd</sup>. **iv)** Acceptance of Distinguished Budget Presentation Award will be presented at Nov. PSL Commission meeting Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>. **v)** Update on advocacy efforts such as breakwater repair, sediment management and designation of the Port as a critical Harbor of refuge and increased Coast Guard presence in the Port. **vi)** **Fund raiser with drive through BBQ on Sat, Nov. 19 for Mara Ziehn, retired 30 yr. Port employee. Health issues are significant. Tickets are presale, available at Harbor Office.**

- d) **PG&E/Diablo Canyon: John Shoals:** i) Units are operating 100%. NRC evaluated emergency response. Company is effective and no violations were found. ii) Dry cask storage now has 12 containers in place. iii) Approved PG&E presentation for AVAC regarding plant closure. Replaced electrical generation, employee retention; community mitigation. Schedule early 2017.

**10. AVAC Committee:**

- a) **Land Use: Sherri Danoff:** No report  
b) **Diablo: Ken Thompson:** No report  
c) **Port: Mary Matakovich:** No report  
d) **Avila Beach: Ken San Filippo:** Hodge/Salucci letter to Cody Scheel: 3 hotel units on separate lots, plus 3 residential units. Planning contacted Ken asking for a letter. Questioning hotel units of separate lots—seeking clarification. Parking is insufficient. Motion to approve; Hartig/second Walter/unanimous approved.  
e) **San Luis Bay Estates: Jim Hartig:** No report  
f) **Avila Valley: Julia Hartzell:** No report.  
g) **See Canyon: Denise Allen:** No Report  
h) **Squire Canyon: Kirt Collins:** No Report.  
i) **Ad Hoc Committees: Avila Plan Update, Jim Hartig:** No report.

**11. Next meeting date: December 12, 2016**

**12. Adjourn: 9:02**

**Respectfully submitted:  
Karla Bittner  
Secretary**