

## AVILA VALLEY ADVISORY COUNCIL (AVAC)

San Luis Obispo County, CA

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1. **Call to Order:** by the Chair, Jim Hartig, for a regular meeting at 7:00pm, at the PG&E Energy Education Center.

Roll Call (present): Mary Matakovich, Anne Brown, Julia Hartzell, MaryEl Hansen, Sherri Danoff, Jim Hartig, Ken Thompson, Martin Suits, Steve Benedict, Michael Clayton, Margaret Greenough, Kirt Collins. (excused), Lisa Newton, Denise Allen,. Quorum was established.

2. **Approve Minutes:** Motion was made and seconded (Suits/Collins) to approve the February 10, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion was approved.
3. **Chair's Comments:** Jim Hartig provided an updated roster to the Board. He also distributed to the Board the Avila Beach Drive at Highway 101 Interchange Project Review Comments.
4. **Public Comment:** No comments
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Julia Hartzell reported that there were no expenses for February 2020. The balance is \$1416.13.

6. **County and Local Agency Reports:**

a) **Sheriff** – Deputy Hank Abbas reported that there were 111 calls for service, compared to 72 last year; as well four disturbance calls, one thief and one vandalism. He suggested that the public keep their personal items out-of-sight in their cars.

b) **Highway Patrol** – No report

c) **CAL Fire** - Batt. Chief Paul Lee indicated that there were 35 calls for service, 17 were medically-related. He described a person who fell at Pirates' Cove. He suggested that creeks are no place for kids to play. There was a controlled burn in conjunction with the power plant. He is optimistic about grants submitted for the San Luis Bay Estates and Squire Canyon.

d) **Planning** - Planner Kimmie Nguyen provided an overview of the projects that have just been updated. Referencing the Projects' chart: #s: 2,3,4,6,13, 14.

e) **Public Works** - John Waddell introduced himself to the Board. He brings twenty years of experience in the County. He is aware of the issues around transportation with the round-about, road maintenance, etc.. He said if anyone sees an issue regarding the roads to call the Public Works Office immediately, 805-781-5252 and a work order will be completed. He was asked about traffic fees connected to events - Does the County ordinance for traffic fees provide for fees for the roads for the events' venues/ He will look into this question. Also, he was reminded of the need for a street light on the north-bound side of San Luis Drive.

f) **County Parks** - No report

g) **Port San Luis** - Andrea Lueker's written report was read by Commissioner Bob Vessley. It included an update of the Harbor Terrace Project; no significant issues. Budget Workshop is scheduled for March 12 where the Board will be focusing on Financial Forecasting and Capital Projects/Major Maintenance to continue the budget process for 2020-21. The Operations and Maintenance Permit for normal repair and operations in the Port is now scheduled for the April 2020 Coastal Commission meeting. Long-time district employee, Kim Kratz, is retiring after 21

yrs. Lifeguard positions are available through the application process; the age minimum is now 17 yrs. old. The district website has the specific qualifications and application, which is due by March 16 at 4:30PM. A question was asked about the timeline for seatrain removal from the Avila Beach parking lot; this will be based upon the grading completed at Harbor Terrace.

**h) County Supervisor** - No report

**Old Business:** Rincon Consultants, Richard Dalton and Lexi Journey, provided an overview of the plan to address Avila's previous work on the Avila Community Plan Update/General Plan Update for Avila and presented a proposed timeline, which was questioned due to over two years of previous work. The consultants indicated that they would take the work done into consideration along with the regulations that need to be met. The proposed timeline is: a draft will be presented in Dec. 2020 after five workshops have taken place: April 16 - Land Use, July 2020 - Coastal resources, Sept 2020 - transportation, circulation and EIR requirements, Nov. - safety and public service issues, then, a new draft will be published Feb. 2021 with public review through the summer of 2021 and final report submitted Feb. 2022. The Ad-hoc Committee has been instrumental in the previous development of the plan's planning and asked to be scheduled prior to the community workshops. Also, it was suggested that a lot of community hours have been dedicated to this plan already and is important to acknowledge the work and reduce the two year timeline.

**New Business:** None

**Community Liaisons:**

- a) **Avila Beach Civic Association** – Anne Brown announced the Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 4 and the community is welcomed to the Avila Beach Civic Association for a day of fun. She encouraged the audience to bring the children.
- b) **Avila Beach Foundation** - No report
- c) **PG&E/Diablo Canyon** – Eric Daniels encouraged the community to attend the Diablo Canyon Decommissioning Engagement Panel Meeting at the SLO County Government Center on March 11, at 6PM. The SLO County and the California Coastal Commission will be present to discuss the permitting process of the land related to the future decommissioning of the power plant, the new policy called the Tribal Land Transfer Policy and its applicability to the lands surrounding Diablo Canyon and PG&E will provide updates on it's bankruptcy proceedings, the status on the Cost Triennial Proceeding settlement and the Request for Proposal process related to the potential selection of a new spent fuel storage system.

**10. AVAC Committees:**

- a. **Land Use** - Sherri Danoff presented a letter to Planner Young Choi on the Weldon property for Board approval with strong concerns on the creation of an additional parcel which will double the amount of potential development involving steep terrain and high fire hazard. Motion was made and seconded (Danoff/Brown) to approve the letter. Motion carried.
- b. **Diablo** - Ken Thompson reiterated the comments made by Eric in the PG&E report. The Board welcome Ken back from his absence.
- c. **Port** – no report
- d. **Avila Beach** - No report
- e. **San Luis Bay Estates** - Jim Hartig presented a letter for Board approval regarding the Revised Golf Course Development Plan Application. Motion was made and seconded (Hartig/Danoff) to approve the letter. Motion carried.
- f. **Avila Valley:** - Julia Hartzell stated that there are issues continuing to be addressed on the three projects, no specifics at this time.
- g. **See Canyon** - No report
- h. **Squire Canyon** – No report

- i. **Ad Hoc Committees** - Meeting to be determined.
- 11. **Next meeting date:** Monday, April 13 , 7PM
- 12. **Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM

Respectfully submitted:  
Mary Matakovich, Secretary