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Minutes - Final Planning Commission

Thursday, June 2, 2022

7:00 PM

Board of Supervisors Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

The Solano County Planning Commission met on June 2, 2022, in regular session in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers at the Solano County Government Center, 675 Texas Street, Fairfield, California at 7:00 p.m.

Solano County staff members present were Resource Management Director Terry Schmidtbauer (WebEx), County Counsel Jim Laughlin, Planning Manager Allan Calder (WebEx), Principal Planner Nedzlene Ferrario, and Clerk Marianne Richardson.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Paula Bauer, Kay Cayler, Loretta Gaddies (WebEx), Michael Reagan, and Chairperson Kelly Rhoads-Poston.

APPROVAL OF REMOTE TELECONFERENCING

[PC 22-021](#)

Consider a resolution authorizing remote teleconference meetings for the period of June 2, 2022 to July 2, 2022 as a result of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency.

Attachments: [A - Draft Resolution](#)

On a motion by Commissioner Bauer, and seconded by Commissioner Cayler, the Commission adopted the remote teleconferencing resolution for June 2 to July 2, 2022. So ordered by 4-0 vote; 1 abstain.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, and seconded by Commissioner Bauer, the agenda was approved by affirmation.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

[PC 22-022](#)

Attachments: [April 7, 2022 Minutes - Draft](#)

On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, and seconded by Commissioner

Cayler, the draft minutes of April 7, 2022 were approved by affirmation.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Chairperson Rhoads-Poston invited members of the public to speak on items not listed in the agenda. Hearing no comments, the public comment hearing was closed.

REGULAR CALENDAR

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

[PC 22-023](#)

Receive a presentation and provide comments on proposed amendments to Solano County Code Chapter 29 - Surface Mining and Reclamation

Attachments: [A1 - Draft SMARA Ordinance Clean](#)
[A2 - Draft SMARA Ordinance Redline](#)
[B - Summary of Key Changes Comparison Table](#)
[C - Solano County Mine Operations and Status](#)

Principal Planner Nedzlene Ferrario introduced the Surface Mining and Reclamation regulations update and Nash Gonzales, contract consultant to Solano County on SMARA (Surface Mining and Reclamation Act).

Mr. Gonzales presented the updates to the Solano County Code Chapter 29 - Surface Mining and Reclamation ordinance.

Responding to a question by Commissioner Reagan, Mr. Gonzales described the permitting process for creating a new mine.

Responding to a question by Commissioner Reagan, Mr. Gonzales described the process of a mine closure and of a subsequent permitting and opening of a closed mine should there be future discovery of minerals in a mine.

Mr. Gonzales stated that the proposed updates to the ordinance would incorporate any comments by the Planning Commission and be presented to the Board of Supervisors. He further stated that the Planning Commission would have final authority on the reclamation plans.

Buffy Conner, Solano County GIS analyst, asked about the origin of the mine map in the staff report and if it could be provided on the County GIS portal. Mr. Gonzales stated all current mines are listed on the staff report map, but that previously closed mines are not shown. Ms. Ferrario stated that information on the map is available from the state Department of Mining and Reclamation. Mr. Gonzales added that an online interactive mine map is provided by the California Department of Conservation, Division of Mining and Reclamation.

Hearing no further comments, Chairperson Rhoads-Poston closed the discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

There were no announcement or reports.

ADJOURN

This meeting of the Solano County Planning Commission adjourned at 7:23 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2022.