



AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

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AGENDA

April 8, 2009; 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.

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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. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF NEWLY APPOINTED AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MEMBER – RON MANSFIELD

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of March 11, 2009

V. PUBLIC FORUM

VI. Ranch Marketing – update and discussion

VII. American Mustang Foundation – (formerly known as Legacy Ranch) – Camille Courtney; Rancho Cortina Properties

The Commission requested this item be placed on the agenda to allow submittal of letters of support

- VIII.** TMA 08-0009 Baiocchi, Greg & Sharon – the owner of the subject parcel is applying with Development Services to convert an existing permitted hardship mobile home into a temporary agricultural employee housing unit on the parcel. Planning Services is requesting written approval from the Agricultural Commission that the residents of the mobile home satisfy the criteria for agricultural housing on a Williamson Act Contracted parcel in order to approve and process the associated Temporary Housing of Agricultural Employees Application (TMA 08-0009). A Williamson Act contract (WAC 06-0014) was approved on the above referenced parcel on February 9, 2007. (District 2)

APN: 046-061-37
Area: Hidden Ranch Road/Somerset
Planner: Tom Purciel

- IX.** Mark Regelbrugge and Trudy Theiss request for Administrative Relief from agricultural setbacks for a proposed single family residence and second residence, both to be located within building envelopes no less than 30 feet from the southwest property line, adjacent to agriculturally zoned (RA-20) land.

Staff Recommendation: recommends APPROVAL OF Mark Regelbrugge and Trudy Theiss' request for administrative relief from 200 foot agricultural setbacks, allowing a setback of 30 feet from the southwest property line for a proposed single family residence and granny flat, as the following findings can be made:

- a). *No suitable building site exists on the subject parcel except within the required setback due, but not limited to, compliance with other requirements of the General Plan or other County development regulations;*
- c). *Based on the site characteristics of the subject parcel and the adjacent agricultural zoned land including, but not limited to, topography and location of agricultural improvements, etc, the Commission determines that the location of the proposed non-compatible structures would reasonably minimize potential negative impacts on agricultural use; and*
- d). *There is currently no agricultural activity on the agriculturally zoned parcels adjacent to the subject parcel and the Commission determines that the conversion to a low or high intensive farming operation is not likely to take place due to the soil and/or topographic characteristics of the adjacent agriculturally zoned parcels .*

Staff also recommends that the applicant comply with Resolution No. 079-2007 Exhibit A of the Board of Supervisors pertaining to the adoption of the Criteria and Procedures for Administrative Relief from Agricultural Setbacks. Section B.5 requires the following action by the applicant: In all cases, if a reduction in the agricultural setback is granted for a non-compatible use/structure, prior to the issuance of a building permit, a Notice of Restriction must be recorded identifying that the non-compatible use/structure is constructed within an agricultural setback and that the owner of the parcel granted the reduction in the agricultural setback acknowledges and accepts responsibility for the risks associated with building a non-compatible use/structure within the setback.

APN: 092-430-02

Area: Mica Street/El Dorado
Planner: Tom Purciel

- X.** S 09-0005 – Hulett TPZ Residence (Michael & Kelly Hulett): A special use permit request for a 1600 square foot caretaker residence on a parcel within the Timberland Preserve Zone District. Additionally, the project site contains an existing 120 square foot tool shed. The property, identified by Assessor’s Parcel Number 011-100-11, consists of 40.00 acres, and is located on the north side of 11N386 approximately six miles east of the intersection with Ice House Road and Weber Mill Road, in the Kyburz area. (District 2)

Staff Recommendation: Staff believes that the findings have been met for General Plan Policy 8.4.2.1 and the criteria for residential use in a TPZ District, have been met in accordance with Section 17.44.050 of the El Dorado County Zoning Ordinance. However, staff cannot make a recommendation at this time, as the applicants must convince the Commission Members that a residence is necessary for the management of the land and is “compatible” – does not significantly detract from the use of the property or inhibit the growing and harvesting of timber, as stated in the California Timberland Productivity Act of 1982, Section 51104.(h)(6).

APN: 011-100-11
Area: Weber Mill Road/Kyburz
Planner: Aaron Mount

XI. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

- Legislative update

XII. CORRESPONDENCE

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS

- Review Panel for Agricultural Commission member vacancy – request for two Commission members to be included on interviews to fill this position

XIV. ADJOURNMENT