

FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2009

6. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

For the benefit of the new members of the Planning Commission, Chair Tolhurst requested each Commissioner to introduce themselves and provide a brief summary of their background.

Commissioner MacCready stated that there have been several requests to consider changing Camino-Pollock Pines Community Region to a Rural Center. After some discussions with County Counsel and staff and agreement from the Commission, Commissioner MacCready requested a workshop be held on February 26, 2009 to discuss if the Planning Commission should recommend to the Board of Supervisors a change of the Camino-Pollock Pines Community Region to a Rural Center.

Commissioner MacCready stated that the Density Bonus is circumventing the intent of the General Plan Land Use and Zoning maps. He felt that residential projects with Planned Development requesting a Density Bonus should be brought to the Planning Commission for conceptual review. He also felt that criteria should be developed for this and that a workshop should be scheduled to discuss if the Planning Commission should recommend to the Board of Supervisors to change density bonus.

Larry Appel stated, with County Counsel concurring, that the Board had determined that Conceptual Review is a voluntary process at the discretion of the applicant.

Mr. Appel suggested that Commissioner MacCready meet with the long-range planning staff regarding density bonus and bring it back to the Commission for review at the next meeting.