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825 Fifth Street
Board of Supervisors Chambers
Eureka, California

ACTION SUMMARY

Thursday, August 16, 2018 6:00 PM Special Meeting

Notice Regarding Public Comment:

CALL TO ORDER / SALUTE TO FLAG

Commissioner Morris called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

APPROVAL OF ACTION SUMMARY

August 2, 2018 Planning Commission Action Summary for review and approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Edmonds, that the August 2, 2018 Action Summary be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Bongio, and Commissioner Shepherd

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

 Save-The-Redwoods Special Permit and Design Review Extension Application Number 14169
 Case Numbers SP-17-044X, DR-16-015X
 Assessor's Parcel Number 519-231-018-000
 122305 State Highway 101 and 545 Bald Hills Road, Orick Area

A second two-year extension for Save-the-Redwoods League for the deconstruction of the existing barn, approximately 5,560 square feet in size, and ancillary structure, approximately 1,525 square feet in size, both of which are centrally located on the former Orick Mill Site. Under the proposed project, the existing barn and ancillary structure located on the project site will be deconstructed with associated materials stockpiled on-site for potential re-use on-site at a later date. The proposed location of the stockpiled materials is on the existing paved area, approximately 225 feet northeast of the existing barn. A Special Permit is required as the Orick Design Review Committee recommended denial. No reason was given for the recommendation. No changes are proposed from the previously approved project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Bongio, that the Save-the-Redwoods project be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Bongio, and Commissioner Shepherd

 Robert Trell Messenger, Conditional Use Permit Application Number 11906
 Case Number CUP-16-441
 Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 221-151-010
 8045 Upper Mattole Canyon Road, Ettersburg

A Conditional Use Permit for an existing 15,000 square foot outdoor commercial cannabis cultivation operation. Annual irrigation water usage is approximately 148,700 gallons. Water for irrigation is sourced from a 645,000 gallon rainwater catchment pond. Two hard water tanks store an additional 5,700 gallons. Power is sourced from solar panels with battery storage and a portable generator. Plants will be dried and cured in the barn on-site. Additional processing will occur at a licensed off-site facility. Cultivation will be conducted by the owner's family members who live on-site.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Bongio, that the Robert Trell Messenger project be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Bongio, and Commissioner Shepherd

NEW BUSINESS

3 Report on status of Cannabis Permitting

Report on status of permit processing, departmental organizational changes to improve communication and efficiency.

Chair Morris asked that there be an action item on the next agenda related to this topic.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4 Georgi Stoyanov Conditional Use Permit

Case Number: CUP-16-454

Assessor Parcel Number 212-311-002.

Application Number 11929

5841 State Highway 254, Miranda area

A Conditional Use Permit for 11,500 square feet of existing outdoor commercial cannabis cultivation located on the subject parcel which is approximately 14 acres in size.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Edmonds, that the Georgi Stoyanov project be continued to a date uncertain. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Bongio, and Commissioner Shepherd

5 Star Parking Services LLC Special Permit

Case Number SP16-427

Assessor Parcel Number 210-131-007

Application Number 12172

Dinsmore area

A Special Permit for 8,960 square feet of existing mixed light commercial cannabis cultivation located on the subject parcel which is approximately 40 acres in size. Staff is recommending denial of the project because the applicant has not provided sufficient documentation of cultivation prior to January 1, 2016 per Humboldt County Code 314-55.4.9.4. In addition, the subject parcel does not qualify for new cultivation per Humboldt County Code 314-55.4.8.2.1 because the parcel is zone Forestry Recreation (FR-B-5(40)).

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Edmonds, to approve the denial of the Star Parking Services permit. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Bongio, and Commissioner Shepherd

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Morris

6 Burr Valley Farm LLC Special Permit Case Number SP16-542 Assessor Parcel Number 210-231-012 Application Number 12479 2520 Burr Valley Road, Dinsmore area

A Special Permit for 10,000 square feet of existing outdoor commercial cannabis cultivation located on the subject parcel which is approximately 40 acres in size. Staff is recommending denial of the project because the applicant has not provided sufficient documentation of cultivation prior to January 1, 2016 per Humboldt County Code 314-55.4.9.4. In addition, the subject parcel does not qualify for new cultivation per Humboldt County Code 314-55.4.8.2.1 because the parcel is zone Forestry Recreation (FR-B-5(40)).

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Bongio, that the Burr Valley Farm project be continued to September 6, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

 4 - Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Edmonds, Commissioner Bongio, and Commissioner Shepherd

CORRESPONDENCE

Materials submitted regarding Dark Skies.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Morris adjourned the meeting at 8:18 pm.

I, SUZANNE LIPPRE, Planning Commission Clerk, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct original record of the above entitled meeting of the Humboldt County Planning Commission held in Eureka, California.

SUZANNE LIPPRE

Planning Commission Clerk of the County of Humboldt, State of California.