# General Plan Amendments Ordinance Cont'd

Planning Commission Hearing
April 30, 2014



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#### Recap

- Hearing continued from April 9, 2014
- Ordinance refined in response to comments
- RMA and County Counsel worked closely
- Reminders:
  - Applies only to inland areas
  - Implements GP Policies LU-9.6 and LU-9.7
- Asking for recommendation to Board of Supervisors





# Proposed Revisions

- Revisions are shown in <u>underline</u> and <del>strikeout</del>
- §21.91.030 (revised)
  - LUACs and early assessment
  - Planning Commission role in early assessment





# Proposed Revisions

- §21.91.040 (new section)
  - Comprehensive, cumulative, and timely review
- §21.91.060 (revised)
  - Reference to Evaluation Criteria of §21.91.050



#### Public Comments

- Phone call from Ms. Lynn Learch
  - Noise from neighboring residential uses in North County
- Phone call from Ms. Luana Conley
  - Noise from neighboring residential uses in Carmel
- Letter from Mr. Thomas Ponleithner
  - Animal noise in Carmel Valley



### Recommendations

- Staff recommends:
  - Find the ordinance statutorily exempt; and
  - Adopt the ordinance



# Slides from April 9th



# Early Assessment

- Early assessment before hearing
- Presented to PC
- No guarantee of ultimate outcome
- No CEQA required for early assessment
- No limits on frequency



## Criteria for Approval

- Not in conflict with General Plan
- Demonstrable error or oversight
- Change of facts or circumstances
- Better carries out overall goals and policies
- Reviewed in a comprehensive, cumulative, timely manner



# Hearing Process

- Two times each year
  - PC in February and August
  - BOS in April and October
- Amendments maybe grouped
- Hearing continuance without restriction
- Reapplication after one year



# Applicability

- Amendments may be initiated by:
  - Property Owner Map Amendment
  - Any Individual Text Amendment
  - Resolution of PC or BOS
- Does not apply to:
  - Comprehensive Update
  - Emergencies
  - Citizen Initiative

