



Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC)

MINUTES

Location:	Agricultural Commissioner's Office Ag Center Conference Room 1428 Abbott Street Salinas, CA 93901		
Date:	October 26, 2017		
Time:	2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.		
Attendees:	<i>Committee Members</i>		<i>Staff & Guests</i>
	Steve de Lorimier Alex Eastman Nick Huntington Val King	Bill Lipe Scott Storm Scott Violini	Lisa Brinton, City of Salinas Mary Grace Perry, Deputy County Counsel Bob Roach, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner Christina McGinnis, Ag Resources & Policy Manager Kathy Nielsen, Agricultural Commissioner's Office
Absent:	Jocelyn Bridson David Costa Allen Davis	Kurt Gollnick Matt Shea Kirk Williams	

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bill Lipe at 2:45 p.m.

II. CONSENT

Approve the minutes of the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on August 24, 2017.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Eastman and Violini, respectively, to approve the minutes.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini

NOES: None

ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

III. Public Comment

None

IV. Agricultural Commissioner's Update

Bob Roach, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner

- The Wildlife Services comment period closed and our consultant has responded to the few comments received. Our office is reviewing the EIR, and we expect to go to the Board of Supervisors in January 2018 to certify the EIR and receive direction about engaging in another five-year cooperative service agreement with USDA Wildlife Services;
- A new Public Records Act Request has been received from the Animal Legal Defense Fund et al. Our counsel is working to negotiate down the volume of the request;

- The County is receiving the Challenge Award from the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) for the Farmworker Advisory Committee. Out of 288 statewide entries only 16 winners were selected. November 7, 2017, at approximately 10:30 a.m., is when the award will be presented at the Board of Supervisors meeting. It is a great honor for the County, the Ag Commissioner's Office and the Center for Community Advocacy.

V. 2018 New Williamson Act Applications

Nadia Amador, Associate Planner, Resource Management Agency

Consider recommendation to the Board of Supervisors four (4) Williamson Act Applications.

ACTION: Recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors of four (4) Williamson Act applications.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Eastman and King, respectively, to support staff's recommendation of continuing *Application Number 18-001* to 2019.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Violini and Eastman, respectively, to support staff's recommendation of approval of *Application Number 18-002*.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members de Lorimier and King, respectively, to support staff's recommendation of approval of *Application Number 18-003*.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Eastman and Huntington, respectively, to support staff's recommendation of approval of *Application Number 18-004*.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members de Lorimier and Violini, respectively, to support staff's recommendation to continue *Application Number 18-005* to 2019.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Storm and Violini, respectively, to support staff's recommendation to continue *Application Number 18-006* to 2019.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

Application 18-007 Information:

To complete the application, the following items are needed from the applicant:

1. A Lot Book Report from a title company. That report will contain ownership information and legal descriptions, and
2. Parcels that are not contiguous would require separate applications.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Violini and Storm, respectively, to recommend continuing *Application Number 18-007* to 2019 pending submittal of a title report by September 15, 2018.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Item VII was moved to Item VI at the Committee's request.

**VI. City of Salinas Economic Development Element Program Update
(Environmental Impact Report) **Informational Item****

Lisa Brinton, Senior Planner, Community Development Department, City of Salinas

Provide report on the City's proposed expansion areas for future economic development into unincorporated agricultural land currently held by the County.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Norm Groot, Monterey County Farm Bureau

ACTION: Report received by Committee.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Lipe and Violini, respectively, to direct the clerk to correct the agenda by removing the Action line for this item.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

VII. Water Resources Board of Directors

Nominations to the Board of Supervisors from the Agricultural Advisory Committee for the Water Resources Agency Board of Directors.

ACTION: 1) Discuss proposed nominees and decide upon two names for submission;

- 2) Direct Agricultural Commissioner's Staff to prepare and send recommendation letter to Monterey County Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Lipe and Violini, respectively, to nominate Bill Hammond as the primary candidate and Alan Panziera as the alternate.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

VIII. Administrative Matters

A. Proposed Bylaws Update

The Committee was asked to consider the elimination of term limits under Section 4. Term of Office.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Lipe and Eastman to bring back to the Committee the proposed bylaws change.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

B. Term Expirations and Reappointments

MOTION: It was moved and seconded by Committee Members Lipe and Eastman to nominate Jocelyn Bridson and Nick Huntington to serve second terms as At-Large Committee members.

AYES: de Lorimier, Eastman, Huntington, King, Lipe, Storm and Violini
NOES: None
ABSENT: Bridson, Costa, Davis, Gollnick, Shea, and Williams

Chair Lipe reminded Committee Members to complete their required two-hour ethics training.

IX. Agricultural Advisory Committee Comments

None

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Nielsen
Agricultural Commissioner's Office