



HOPLAND

MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Hopland Municipal Advisory Council

January 17, 2018

5:00pm SIP Mendocino

13420 S Highway 101, Hopland, CA

Minutes

Members: Julie Golden, Dave Roderick, John Schaeffer, Anna Beuselinck, Amy Frost

Alternate: Patty Rock

Secretary: Kim Rodrigues

Administrative Support: Samantha Thomas - LACO Associates

Present at meeting: Julie Golden, Dave Roderick, John Schaeffer, Anna Beuselinck

1. Review/approve of minutes from December 20, 2017 meeting
December minutes were reviewed. John motioned to approve the minutes, with a second from Julie. All approved, with Anna abstaining.
2. Public comment
No members of the public were in attendance.
3. Hopland Downtown Plan update
There were no new updates to the draft Plan as of yet. Dave reported that representatives of Senator McGuire recommended the Hopland MAC form a committee to discuss safety improvements needed in the Hopland corridor and then form a subcommittee to fund the Plan, with 5th District Supervisor Dan Hamburg as a member. MAC members to invite Supervisor Hamburg to the next meeting to discuss how to utilize the project funds adequately. There was an agreement to utilize the Caltrans study, focused on improving the corridor, as the basis of the Plan. Dave indicated the appropriate timeline for the project would be to use the first round of funding to conduct the necessary engineering studies and then put the project up for bid. Julie reminded the council members that there is a limited time frame the current studies can be utilized before they expire.
4. Vintage Wine Estates
MAC members would like to tour the property at Ray's Station in February during the normal Hopland MAC meeting time of 5 PM, or later in the evening. Anna to reach out to the owners through a formal letter, requesting a tour of the site, specifically to address the intensive light use at night. Council members have various questions regarding the property and are hoping a tour would help answer them. John, Dave, and Julie stated the glow from the Ray's Station property can be seen from approximately three miles away at night. MAC members would like to look into whether the lights meet the International Dark-Sky Association's set of standards.



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5. Mendocino County Lighting Regulations
MAC members expressed concern that the County's lighting regulations don't address agriculturally zoned properties, specifically Vintage Wine Estates Ray Station property.
6. Fire related topics update
Julie confirmed Beth at LACO Associates (LACO) sent Dave's letter to the County to evaluate the emergency/public safety system and improve it as needed. Julie requested that LACO reach out to other local MAC's to ask if they will support the ideas of the Hopland MAC and send a similar letter to the Board of Supervisors. Dave suggested identifying areas of risk in the Hopland community, designating the areas on scale from low risk to very high risk. Council members would like to follow up with members of the community on their experience with the alert system. Julie believes the Mendocino County Department of Transportation should alert the community of where to go during a natural disaster. Dave to look into using the Hopland Fire District siren as a way to alert the community of a natural disaster.
7. FEMA Floodplain Management Discovery Meeting (1/25/2018)
MAC members to look into the posted event and decide if they would like to attend or not. Dave plans on attending the meeting and will report back.
8. Nomination of Dave and Julie to the HMAC transportation Subcommittee
John motioned to approve the nomination, with a second from Anna. All approved.
9. Adjournment
Adjournment at 5:55.

Next Meetings: 02/21/18, 03/21/18 at 5:00-6:00pm