

# SONOMA COUNTY OPEN SPACE FISCAL OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

## **COMMISSIONERS**

Mike Sangiacomo (Sonoma) Todd Mendoza (Petaluma) Regina De La Cruz (Rohnert Park)

Bob Anderson (Healdsburg) Eric Koenigshofer (Occidental) Jeff Owen (Alternate)

## APPROVED MINUTES

Virtual Meeting Due to Sonoma County's Shelter in Place Order

#### February 3, 2022 | 5:00pm

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Todd Mendoza, Mike Sangiacomo (left 6:38 pm), Jeff Owen, Ariel Kelley, Jorge Inocencio

**STAFF PRESENT:** Misti Arias, General Manager; Lisa Pheatt, County Counsel; Julie Mefferd, Administrative and Fiscal Services Manager; Jennifer Kuszmar, Acquisition Manager; Allison Schichtel, Senior Planner; Olivia Fiori, Acquisition Assistant; Sara Ortiz, Administrative Aide.

#### **PUBLIC PRESENT:**

- 1. Call to Order Commissioner Sangiacomo called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
- 2. Election of Officers

On a motion by Commissioner Mendoza and a second by Commissioner Incoencio, Commissioner Kelley was elected Chair.

Commissioner Mendoza was elected Vice Chair. Commissioner De La Cruz was elected Chair Pro Tempore. Following the election, Commissioner Kelley chaired the meeting.

- 3. Agenda Items to be Held or Taken Out of Order; Off- Agenda Items Misti Arias asked if agenda items 12 and 13 could be combined into one presentation.
- 4. General Announcements Not Requiring Deliberation or Decision

Misti Arias welcomed Olivia Fiori, new Acquisition Assistant. She also announced the close of the Parcel J (Paulin Meadow) acquisition and Board approval of the El Recreo conservation easement. Ag + Open Space will go to the Board 2/8/22 with a joint item with Sonoma Water for Lidar Acquisition; Ag + Open Space will contribute \$50,000 in funding. The Land for Climate campaign has kicked off, you can find more information on our website and social media. There is a new County team called Climate & Resilience out of the County Administrator's Office.

- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Correspondence/Communications

There was two pieces of correspondence included in the meeting packet: 1) Information regarding the draft evaluation criteria and 2) sales tax update from Hinderliter de Llamas & Associates.

7. Approval of Commission Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Owen and a second by Commissioner Sangiacomo, the October 19, 2021 and December 2, 2021 minutes were approved.

8. Financial Report

Julie Mefferd reviewed the monthly financial statements for January 2022.

9. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Jennifer Kuszmar reported that the Acquisition Subcommittee met; Commissioners De La Cuz and Mendoza were unable to attend.

- 10. Creation of Ad Hoc Committees for 2022 and Assignment of Commissioners Annual Report/Audit Report Review (Owen, Kelley) Matching Grant Program (Inocencio, Sangiacomo) Acquisition (De La Cruz, Mendoza)
- **11. Review of Rules of Governance** No comments were made on the Rules of Governance.
- **12.** Organizational Priorities
- **13. Draft Evaluation Criteria** Misti Arias | General Manager, Jennifer Kuszmar | Acquisition Program Manager, Allison Schichtel | Senior Planner

Agenda items 12 and 13 were combined into one presentation discussing organizational priorities, Vital Lands Initiative goals and objectives, and feedback received from subcommittees, Advisory Committee, and Board of Directors. Ambitious land conservation goals for the next 9 years.

- 14. Projects in Negotiation
- 15. Suggested Next Meeting March 3, 2022
- 16. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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