



# County of El Dorado

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## Minutes - Final Planning Commission

*Jon Vegna, Chair, District 1*  
*John Clerici, First Vice-Chair, District 3*  
*Andy Nevis, Second Vice-Chair, District 4*  
*Kris Payne, District 2*  
*Daniel Harkin, District 5*

*Aurora Osbual, Clerk of the Planning Commission*  
*Karen L. Garner, Executive Secretary*

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Thursday, May 26, 2022

8:30 AM

Building C Hearing Room  
2850 Fairlane Court  
Placerville, CA 95667

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For purposes of the Brown Act, Section 54954.2(a), the numbered items on this agenda give a brief description of each item to be discussed. Recommendations of the staff, as shown, do not prevent the Commission from taking other action.

Staff materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for inspection during normal business hours in Planning Services located at 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA. Such documents are also available on the Commission's Meeting Agenda webpage subject to staff's ability to post the documents before the meeting.

## PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be received at designated periods as called by the Commission Chair.

Except with the consent of the Commission, individuals shall be allowed to speak to an item only once.

Matters not on the agenda may be addressed by the general public during Public Forum/Public Comment. Comments during Public Forum/Public Comment are limited to three minutes per person. The Commission reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote. Public Forum/Public Comment is for comment only. No action will be taken on these items unless they are scheduled on a future agenda.

Public testimony will be received on each agenda item as it is called. Individuals will have three minutes to address the Commission. Individuals authorized by organizations will have three minutes to present organizational positions and perspectives and may request additional time, up to five minutes. At the discretion of the Commission, time to speak by any individual may be extended.

Upon completion of public comment on an agenda item, the matter shall be returned to the Commission for deliberation. Members of the public shall not be entitled to participate in that deliberation, or be present at the podium during such deliberation, except at the invitation of the Commission for a point of clarification or question by the Commission.

Individual Commission members may ask clarifying questions but will not engage in substantive dialogue with persons providing input to the Commission.

If a person providing input to the Commission creates a disruption by refusing to follow Commission guidelines, the Chair of the Commission may take the following actions:

Step 1. Request the person adhere to the Commission guidelines. If the person refuses, the Chair may ask the Clerk to turn off the speaker's microphone.

Step 2. If the disruption continues, the Chair may order a recess of the Commission meeting.

Step 3. If the disruption continues, the Chair may order the removal of the person from the Commission meeting.

8:30 A.M.

**CALLED TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

**Meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Commissioner Vegna.**

**Present:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**Commissioner Vegna led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

**(All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests separate action on a specific item.)**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Nevis, seconded by Commissioner Harkin to Adopt the Agenda and Approve the Consent Calendar.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. [22-0935](#) Clerk of the Planning Commission recommending the Commission approve the MINUTES of the Special Joint Meeting with the Board of Supervisors of May 10, 2022.

**This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

- 2. [22-0853](#) Clerk of the Planning Commission recommending the Commission approve the MINUTES of the regular meeting of May 12, 2022.

**This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

3. [21-1776](#) Planning Division recommending the Planning Commission, as a result of ongoing concerns related to COVID-19, approve the following Teleconference Finding Pursuant to Government Code subsection 54953(e)(3) in order to allow for the continued use of virtual Committee meetings as authorized under Assembly Bill 361:
- 1) Pursuant to Government Code subsections 54953(e)(3)(A) and (e)(3)(B)(ii), the Committee has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency resulting from COVID-19 and the El Dorado County Public Health Officer continues to recommend measures to promote social distancing, as documented in the September 30, 2021 “Public Health Officer’s Recommendations for Safe Board and Commission Meetings During COVID-19 Pandemic.”

**This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS (Planning and Building, Transportation, County Counsel)**

**Robert Peters, Deputy Director of Planning, reported on the following:  
June 9, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting.**

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

**Commissioner Nevis reported on the following:  
Guest speaker at the Builder Developer Council monthly meeting.  
Memorial Day observance at the County building B on Monday, May 30, 2022 at 11:00 AM.**

**Commissioner Payne reported on the following:  
In-person attendance at Board of Supervisors Chamber Cameron Park Design Review Committee meeting.**

**Commissioner Vegna reported on the following:  
June 5, 2022 benefit for Veterans, Alliance, Patriots Tribute and first responders from 3pm-8pm at Mexico Lindo Restaurant.**

**PUBLIC FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT**

**AGENDA ITEMS**

4. [22-0859](#) Hearing to consider Giorgis Agricultural Preserve (Williamson Act Contract WAC21-0002) request to allow the establishment of a Williamson Act Contract (Agricultural Preserve) for a 41.86 acre parcel to plant grapevines on 5-6 acres. Project includes associated agricultural capital improvements including installation of two wells and an irrigation/drip system. Expected plant order is 3,200 vines in the Fall 2021-Spring 2022. Grapes would be sold after first eligible harvest in 2024 on property identified by Assessor’s Parcel Number 078-280-016, consisting of 41.86 acres, is located on the south side of Pleasant Valley Road, approximately 500 feet east of the intersection with Bodega Way, in the Pleasant Valley area, submitted by Douglas B. Giorgis; staff recommends the Planning Commission take the following actions:
- 1) Find that the project is Categorical Exempt from the CEQA Guidelines pursuant to Section 15317 (Establishment of Agricultural Preserve); and
  - 2) Approve Williamson Act Contract, WAC21-0002, establishing a new agricultural preserve of 41.86 acres in size, based on the Findings as presented herein. (Supervisory District 3)

*Public Comment: P. Bush*

**Chair Vegna opened the public hearing and upon conclusion of public comment and staff input, closed the public hearing.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Harkin to approve staff’s modified recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding Giorgis Agricultural Preserve (WAC21-0002) on the following:**

- 1. Find that the project is Categorical Exempt from the CEQA Guidelines pursuant to Section 15317 (Establishment of Agricultural Preserve); and**
- 2. Approve Williamson Act Contract WAC21-0002, establishing a new agricultural preserve of 4.186 acres in size, based on the Findings as presented herein.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

5. [22-0852](#) Hearing to consider AT&T Verizon Colocation Cell Tower Revision (Conditional Use Permit Revision CUP-R21-0049) request to allow colocation on an existing Verizon 75-ft monopine cell tower. Project modifications would include installation of six (6) new AT&T antennas extending the tower to 85-ft, a new 15-ft wide access road to a new fenced lease area of 12-ft x 20-ft with associated equipment including pre-manufactured walk-in cabinets and a 30kW diesel emergency backup generator located within a level 2 acoustic enclosure on property identified by Assessor’s Parcel Number 317-250-056, consisting of 16.26 acres, is located on the north side of Green Valley Road, approximately 1,000 feet east of the intersection with Mortara Circle, in the Placerville area, submitted by AT&T/Karen Lienert; staff recommends the Planning Commission take the following actions:
- 1) Find the project exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15303 (New Construction of Conversion of Small Structures) and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) of the CEQA Guidelines; and
  - 2) Approve Conditional Use Permit Revision CUP-R21-0049 based on the Findings and subject to the Conditions of Approval as presented. (Supervisory District 4)

**Chair Vegna opened the public hearing and upon conclusion of public comment and staff input, closed the public hearing.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Nevis, seconded by Commissioner Vegna to approve the AT&T Verizon Colocation Cell Tower Revision (Conditional Use Permit CUP-R21-0049) request to allow colocation on an existing Verizon 75-ft monopine cell tower.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

6. [22-0936](#) A request by Chair Vegna that the Planning Commission consider having Planning Division staff coordinate a workshop at an upcoming Planning Commission hearing with a focus on short-term and long-term water planning and utility infrastructure related to water delivery within greater El Dorado County, with specific requests for presentations going to the El Dorado County Water Agencies and the El Dorado Irrigation District.

**Chair Vegna opened the public hearing and upon conclusion of public comment and staff input, closed the public hearing.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Nevis, seconded by Commissioner Payne to approve holding an informational workshop at an upcoming Planning Commission hearing focusing on the impacts of water policy on the County Water Agency's and local water districts within El Dorado County, and to include invitations to all local water districts.**

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Vegna, Commissioner Nevis, Commissioner Payne and Commissioner Harkin

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Clerici

## **ADJOURNED**

**Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 AM by Commissioner Vegna.**

All persons interested are invited to participate remotely (following instructions listed under the Public Participation Instructions in this agenda) and be heard or to write their comments to the Planning Commission. If you challenge the application in court, you may be limited to raising only those items you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Any written correspondence should be directed to Planning Services; 2850 Fairlane Court; Placerville, CA 95667.

\*A negative declaration has been prepared for this project and may be reviewed and/or obtained in Planning Services, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667, during normal business hours. A negative declaration is a document filed to satisfy CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act). This document states that there are no significant environmental effects resulting from the project, or that conditions have been proposed which would mitigate or reduce potential negative effects to an insignificant level.

\*\*This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the above referenced section, and it is not subject to any further environmental review.