



County of Monterey Planning Commission

Item No.1

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
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PLN250149 - DUNCAN & DUNCAN LLC

Receive an update on the withdrawn status of the Peace of Mind Dog Rescue Project (HCD-Planning File No. PLN250149) which proposed the establishment of a senior dog rescue and exterior modifications. No action required.

Project Location: 8 El Caminito Road, Carmel Valley.

Proposed CEQA action: Find that the item is not a project under CEQA pursuant to Pub. Res. Code § 21065.

RECOMMENDATION

The project has been withdrawn by the Applicant/Owner and therefore there is no item for the Planning Commission to consider.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Agent: Brittney Schloss - BLS Permit Facilitation

Property Owner: Duncan & Duncan LLC

APN: 187-433-039-000

Parcel Size: 0.42 acres

Zoning: LC-D-S-RAZ (Light Commercial - Design Control - Site Plan Review - Resource Allocation Zoning Districts)

Plan Area: Carmel Valley Master Plan

Flagged and Staked: No

Project Planners: Fiona Jensen, Principal Planner

SUMMARY

The subject 0.42-acre project parcel, located at 8 El Caminito Road, Carmel Valley, is zoned and designated Light Commercial. The property currently accommodates a 3,614 square-foot two-story mixed-use building with three office units and two residential apartments, and a detached 1,536 square-foot garage. The two residential apartments are currently occupied by the property owner and another tenant.

PLN250149 proposed the establishment of a senior dog rescue facility (up to 20 dogs) as a use similar to a commercial kennel, and a Design Approval to allow for repainting of existing structures, installation of a free-standing sign, and modifications to existing fencing. This project was noticed in the Monterey County Weekly on March 11, 2026. On March 17, 2026, the Applicant/Owner notified HCD-Planning staff of their desire to withdraw the project (HCD-Planning File No. PLN250149). See Attachment 1. Given that the project was noticed in the newspaper but has since been withdrawn, there is no item for the Planning Commission to consider and staff will provide an update regarding the project's withdrawn status on March 25,

2026.

CEQA

Per CEQA Guidelines (Pub. Res. Code § 21065), an activity is not a project if it lacks discretionary approval, involves no physical environmental change, or falls under statutory/categorical exemptions. The project has been withdrawn and is therefore not a project under CEQA.

Prepared and Reviewed by: Fiona Jensen, Principal Planner

Approved by: Melanie Beretti, AICP, Chief of Planning.

The following attachments are on file with HCD:

Exhibit A - Withdrawal Letter

cc: Front Counter Copy; Planning Commission; Fiona Jensen, Principal Planner; Monterey County Regional Fire Protection District; HCD - Engineering Services; HCD - Environmental Health; HCD - Environmental Services; Brittney Schloss, Agent; Duncan & Duncan LLC, Owner; The Open Monterey Project (Molly Erickson); LandWatch (Executive Director); Christina McGinnis, Keep Big Sur Wild; Interested Parties; Project File PLN250149.