

County of Monterey

Government Center - Board Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

1:30 PM

Special Meeting

<https://attend.wordly.ai/join/THCT-8529>

Monterey County Planning Commission

1:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Diehl at 1:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Ben Work

Ernesto G. Gonzalez

Francisco Javier Mendoza

Martha Diehl

Etna Monsalve

Jessica Hartzell

Ramon Gomez

Amy Roberts

Absent:

Paul C. Getzelman

Christine Shaw

Land Use Advisory Committees (LUAC):

Present:

Big Sur LUAC

Steve Beck, David Smiley, Marcus Foster, Trey Kropp, John Wilson

Cachagua LUAC

Orville Myers

Carmel Unincorporated/Carmel Highlands

John Borelli, Donna Kostigen

Carmel Valley LUAC

John Heyl

Castroville LUAC

No members present

Del Monte Forest

Lori Lietzke, Rick Verbanec

Greater Monterey Peninsula LUAC

Molly McGee

North County LUAC**Lesley Noble, Gina Paolini, Andrea Estrada, Belinda Talban****South Coast LUAC – Attend via zoom****Constance McCoy, Dave Nelson****South County LUAC****No members present****Toro LUAC****Tamara Schwart****PUBLIC COMMENTS****None****AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND CORRECTIONS****Clerk McDougal informed the Commission that there are no agenda additions, deletions or correction.****ACTION ITEMS****1. LAND USE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (LUAC) MEMBER UPDATE**

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Each LUAC presented their achievements, challenges and emerging issues to the Commission.

Public Comment: Margie Kay

The Commission and LUAC recessed at 3:14 p.m. and returned at 3:29 p.m.

No motion required, the Commission received the update and provided

direction to Staff.

2. TRAINING ITEMS FOR PLANNING COMMISSION AND LUAC's:

1. Role of Land Use Advisory Committees
 - a. Review Procedures (Board Resolution 15-103) and Election of Officers
2. Role of the Planning Commission
3. Due Process and Brown Act
4. Conflict of Interest
5. Public Records
6. Commissioner/Committee Member Comments

Melanie Beretti, Planning Commission Secretary and Robert Brayer, County Counsel presented the training.

Commissioner Gomez left the meeting at 4:18 p.m.

Public Comment: None

No motion required.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Diehl at 4:59 p.m.

APPROVED:

**/s/ Melanie Beretti
Planning Commission Secretary**

ATTEST:

**BY: /s/ Melissa McDougal
Planning Commission Clerk**

APPROVED ON: 04-09-2025