

## **Templeton Area Advisory Group**

**Thursday April 23rd, 2020**

Meeting on Thursday April 23rd was held by telecommunication / zoom video call

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Chairperson Bruce Jones.
2. **Roll Call** - Erik Gorham, acting secretary for this meeting called for the roll. The following delegates were present: Bruce Jones, Murray Powell, Jon De Morales, Erik Gorham, Joe Jarboe, Rocky Spurgeon, and Joel Woodruff.
3. **Seating of New Delegates** - Kristen Gemeny and Don Potts replace retiring board members Rocky Spurgeon and Joel Woodruff. Both delegates were voted in unanimously.
4. **Election of New TAAG Board Officers** - All in favor of electing new TAAG board officers; Bruce Jones as Chairperson, Murray Powell as Vice Chairperson Erik Gorham as Secretary, and Harley Wood as community member chosen as Reporting Secretary.
5. **Agency Reports and Updates** -
  - California Highway Patrol** - They informed us that they are not stopping vehicles on the road to ask your whereabouts. CHP wants everyone in our community to know they are still here working to keep everyone as safe as possible.
  - Supervisorial District One** - No report.
  - Supervisorial District Five** - Covid-19 updates Debbie Arnold made statement that John Peschong, Jordan Cunningham, all seven city mayors and herself wrote a letter to the governor requesting that once San Luis Obispo County meets the federal and state criteria, that they may begin operating under our own county guidelines for reopening businesses and establishments. Arnold states that San Luis Obispo should be meeting the governor's criteria, but they have not yet heard back from the governor regarding their request. Until we hear from our governor we will not be opening businesses or schools. Arnold also informed us that an alternative care center has been built at Cal Poly with 165 beds equipped with oxygen and ventilators. The alternative care facility has the capacity to build over 900 beds.
  - County Planning** - No report
  - Templeton Community Service District** - No report.
6. **Public Comment** -
  - Dorothy Jennings from Templeton expresses concern for the following; “1. Passed bylaws do not address conducting any of its business on electronic platforms such as

zoom, 2. Does TAAG think it is paramount to convene a meeting to respond to a county referral in a timely matter, the agenda should also clearly represent the bylaws and the emergency shelter at home order, 3. Calling a special meeting to conduct normal business that should have been handled at a regular monthly meeting is inconsistent to the bylaws, special meetings serve to conduct business between regular meetings, 4. The installation of new delegates and elections of officers must be conducted at a regular monthly meeting not a special meeting, 5. TAAG membership or special TAAG committees must be left to the TAAG quorum at no more than 3 members may be assigned. Renaming a fourth member as an alternate who will fill in for an absent committee member is effectively allowing four members of TAAG to participate.”

**Response:**

Murray Powell acknowledges concerns with emphasis on the unusual happenings currently affecting our country creating a need to be creative in handling TAAG business and community affairs.

- Kate Shay from the Planning and Building Department had a question for clarification saying, “On March 19th 2020 TAAG was originally planning to meet and discuss an item that was not carried over to this agenda, [she] was hoping to receive an update on a proposed additional use permit for a 54,000 sq ft industrial building at 320 Marquita ave”

**Response:**

Chairperson Bruce Jones; comments that it was filed under 2 separate file numbers with cannabis components and deferred to Murray.

Murray; States that he contacted the applicant via telephone and commented that a 2nd application was filed under the same property address but was submitted with a completely new set of drawings which were now to include 3 buildings as opposed to 2. Have left messages and are waiting to be able to speak with the applicant.

**7. Consent Agenda**

7.1 - Approval of Minutes from previous meetings:

Motion to push off until next month approved

**7.2 - Treasurer’s Report:**

Murry; Balance in account \$1658 - Treasurer’s report was approved.

**8. Old Business - None**

**9. New Business**

**9.1 - Paso Gateway Annexation Project:**

**Presentation by:** Warren Frace Community Director City of Paso Robles and David Athey City Engineer Applicant Jamie Jones regarding the instalment of two hotels on a 170 - acre development, commercial centers, and a limited number of high density

residential units or another hotel. Located at the Northwest junction of hwy. 46 West and US 101. This project is intended to be a world class resort facility with 425 lodging units and 5 developments. Project is also intended to improve traffic with the realignment of theater drive and vine street. This sets the stage for an 101/ 46 interchange. This project is determined to be implemented by Fall/Winter 2020.

**Recommendations:**

The TAAG board will send a letter to the Paso Robles Planning department suggesting the postponement of the project until traffic issues are resolved and research is conducted on the effects it will have on the diffusion of traffic into Templeton. To be further introduced in the May 2020 TAAG meeting.

**9.2 DRC2018-00161 Emeraldheart Farms**

- This issue was postponed until a later meeting

**9.3 SUB2019-00046 Toad Creek TERR LLC**

**Presentation by:** Francisco Vargas, regarding SLO County's demand for affordable housing. This project is an proposed tract map and conditional use permit for a residential single - family cluster division for 20 townhome units along Old County rd in Templeton.

**Recommendations:**

Murray motioned to defer until the next meeting, to wait for more information regarding the project. All board members were in favor of the motion and motion was approved with one abstention.

**9.4 DRC2020-00014 Frigon**

**Presentation by:** Karen Frigon, regarding a proposed use permit to allow a 1,500 foot minimum required county code setback between licenced vacation rentals located at 950 Jensen rd in Paso Robles.

**Recommendations:** No recommendations. Motion denied 4:3. Majority voted not to allow this variance.

**9.5 DRC2019 - 00014 Peoples Self - Help Housing**

**Presentation by:** Steven with Self - Help Housing regarding developing affordable self - help housing homes, for 28 multi-family apartments consisting of 4 buildings. Located at 246 Bennett way in Templeton.

**Recommendations:** No recommendations. Motion approved unopposed.

## **9.6 Templeton to Atascadero Connector Project**

**Presentation by:** Monica Stillman regarding constructing a bicycle and pedestrian walkway/trail from Templeton to Atascadero. Located on the east side of hwy. 101 and west of the Union Pacific Railroad.

### **Recommendations:**

TAAG recommends that more detail is presented in a later meeting and that the trial in no way blocks the library. Motion to pass unopposed.

## **9.7 Hemp Ordinance Recommendations**

TAAG expressed that odor is the main issue of outdoor cannabis growing. Another issue that was expressed is that there is manufacturing of products. SLO Board of Supervisors is scheduled to meet on May 5th, 2020 to discuss the adoption of a County Proposed Hemp Ordinance.

## **10. Committee Delegate Assignments for 2020**

### **- Committee Assignments -**

**Project Review Committee** - Jon De Morales, Joe Jarboe, Erik Gorham, and Don Potts.

**Cannabis Project Review Committee** - Murray Powell, Jon De Morales, Kristen Gemeny, and Don Potts.

**Traffic Committee** - Bruce Jones, Joe Jarboe, and Kristen Gemeny.

**Water/Toad Creek Committee** - Jon De Morales, Erik Gorham.

**Bylaws Committee** - Murray Powell, Bruce Jones, Kristen Gemeny.

### **Election Committee -**

Motion to establish committees was passed unopposed

## **11. Announcements from Committees - No Announcements**

## **12. Adjournment - Called at 9:57.**

- Minutes submitted by Harley Wood, Reporting Secretary and Secretary Erik Gorham. -