

El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council

**3769 B San Pablo Dam Road, ES, 94803 - Meetings 2nd Wednesday of the Month
7:00 P.M. El Sobrante Library 4191 Appian Way, El Sobrante**

Chair, Barbara Pendergrass, Vice Chair, Tom Owens, Secretary, Mike Daley,
Treasurer, Emily Lane, Members: James Hermann, 2 vacant positions

The El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council (ESMAC), or subcommittees of the ESMAC will provide reasonable accommodation, for persons with disabilities planning to attend ESMAC meetings or ESMAC sub committee meetings who contact the chair, Barbara A. Pendergrass at least 24 hours before the meeting. Phone Number 510 223-6091.

AGENDA Wednesday May 13, 2009

7:00 P. M. Pledge of Allegiance

7:05 P.M. Call to Order/Welcome

7:10 P.M. Approval of Minutes and Agenda-Asterisk items, minutes included in the packets

1. Approval of Minutes for November 14, 2007
2. Approval of Minutes for December 12, 2007
3. Approval of Minutes for January 8, 2008
4. Approval of Minutes for February 12, 2008
5. Approval of Minutes for March 12, 2008
6. Approval of Minutes for May 14, 2008
7. Approval of Minutes for September 10, 2008
8. Approval of Minutes for November 12, 2008
9. Approval of Minutes for April 08, 2009

Treasurer's Report

Introductions of Speakers/ Guests/ Topics

Consider Consent Items

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Presentations

7:10 P.M. to 7:15 P.M.

P.1 Presentation by Lt. Ron Bradley, Bay Station, Crime Report

7:15 P.M. to 7:25 P.M. Questions- limit 2 minutes per speaker

7:25 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

P.2 Presentation by Eric Brewer, California Highway Patrol, activity in the area of San Pablo Dam Road etc.

7:30 P.M. to 7:40 P.M. Questions- limit 2 minutes per speaker

7:40 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

P.3 Discussion with Whitney Dotson, member of the Board of Directors for the East Bay Regional Parks District, regarding adding the Naphan Ranch and the two adjoining properties to the north of the Naphan Ranch to the Park District Land.

8:00 P.M. to 8:15 P.M. Questions – limit 2 minutes per speaker

8:15 P.M. to 8:25 P.M.

P.4 Presentation by Martha Booz. Farmers Market in El Sobrante

8:25 P.M. to 8:40 P.M. Questions – limit 2 minutes per speaker

8:40 P.M. to 8:45 P.M.

P.5 Presentation by Michelle Blackwell, East Bay Municipal Utility District, projects affecting El Sobrante

8:45 P.M. to 8:55 P.M. Questions- limit 2 minutes per speaker

8:55 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

P.6 Presentation by Terrance Cheung Chief of Staff for Supervisor John Gioia, monthly report

9:00 P.M. to 9:10 P.M. Questions – limit 2 minutes per speaker

Public Comment - Limit 3 minutes per speaker

9:10 P.M. to 9:20 P.M.

Discussions Items - The Council will consider and take action on the following:

9:20 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

DI.1 Setting up MAC Sub Committee for Neighborhood Watch Program

9:30 P.M. to 9:35 P.M. Questions – limit 2 minutes per speaker

9:35 P.M. to 9:40 P.M.

DI.2 Development Plan Applications, Variance Reports, Building Modification Requests, Appeals etc. received in the previous month from the Contra Costa County Community Development Department

9:40 P.M. to 9:45 P.M. Questions – limit 2 minutes per speaker

9:45 P.M. to 9:50 P.M.

DI.3 Request to send letter of appreciation to Mike Eakin for his years of services on the ESMAC

Short Discussion Items-

9:50 P.M. to 9:55 P.M.

SDI.1 Report from El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee, Chair, Eleanor Loynd

9:55 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. Questions – limit 2 minutes per speak

10:00 P.M. to 10:05 P.M.

Information Items-

- 10.1** El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee Agenda and packet of information for April 2009
- 10.2** Department of Conservation & Development, Building Inspection Division, Code Enforcement Report for February
- 10.3** Letter from El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee to the ESVP&ZAC members on changes in the works to the membership of the committee and their officers. Mike Eakin retiring from the committee leaving the Secretaries Office open
- 10.4** Letter from El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee to J.R. Bueren, Director, CCC Public Works Dept., regarding lack of crosswalks on Appian Way and San Pablo Dam Road
- 10.5** Letter from El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee to City of Richmond City manager Bill Lindsay regarding the dumping of 4 truck loads of dirt and rubble on the open space of Greenridge Drive
- 10.6** Letter from El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee to Catherine Kutsurus, Director Conservation & Development regarding rezoning and subdividing of 1.83 acre lot into 3 parcels at 5574 Amend Road, El Sobrante
- 10.7** Letter from El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee to Ruben Hernandez, Planner, CCC Dept. of Conservation and Development ,regarding 43 homes on the 20 acre Naphan Ranch
- 10.8** Letter to ESMAC from Willis J. Naphan regarding the East Bay Regional Parks District stating they aren't interested in the Naphan Ranch property
- 10.9** E-Mail from Director of Environmental Health, Sherman Quinlan, REHS, MPH regarding Illegal Food Vendors
- 10.10** Email from Marilynne Mellander regarding the El Sobrante beating victims death
- 10.11** Notice of a Public Hearing before the CCC Board of Supervisors on Planning Matters, John & Jerilyn Hornyak, county file #VR08-1008
- 10.12** Contra Costa County Planning Commission Meeting of Notice of Hearing Cancellation for April 14, 2009 and April 28,2009
- 10.13** Notice of Public Hearing and Agenda for Contra Costa County Zoning Administrator for April 20 and May 4, 2009
- 10.14** LAFCO Notice of Meeting and Agenda for April 8, 2009
- 10.15** LAFCO Proposed Budget for FY 2009-2010
- 10.16** LAFCO Notice and Agenda for Special Meeting April 22, 2009
- 10.17** West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority Notice of Meeting and Agenda for April 9, 2009
- 10.18** May Valley Neighborhood Council Newsletter for April 2009
- 10.19** Contra Costa Health Services Tuberculosis Report
- 10.20** Swine Flu Fact Sheet from the CCC Health Services

11.0 Community Group Updates

- 11.1 District 1 Staff Report- Terrance Cheung
- 11.2 East Bay Municipal Utility District- Katy Foulkes
- 11.3 ESVP&ZAC
- 11.4 ES Chamber of Commerce
- 11.5 ESMAC Sheriff's Annex
- 11.6 Fire District-
- 11.7 CSA R-9 Committee-
- 11.8 West County Alcohol Policy Working Group
- 11.9 ESMAC Library- Barbara A. Pendergrass
- 11.10 ES Boys and Girls Club
- 11.11 El Sobrante Coordinating Council-Tom Owens, Barbara Pendergrass

Sub Committee Reports

- 12.1 ESMAC Land Use-
- 12.2 ESMAC Grants/ Fund Raising-
- 12.3 ESMAC Traffic / Transportation-
- 12.4 ESMAC Web Site and Outreach- Tom Owens
- 12.5 ESMAC Cleanup Day- Ruby Molinari- Chair
- 12.6 ESMAC El Sobrante Stroll- Mike Daley- Chair

Old Business

13.1

New Business

14.1 Suggestion for meeting on increasing attendance. Suggestion that the Mac set up a list of groups to send letters to for attendance at meetings. Groups would be Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors, Neighborhood groups like Manor Neighborhood Group, Bicycle Riders, Churches etc. Have the group speak for 30 minutes or so and discuss what they would like to see improved. Suggestions for improvement. Place items in the Chamber News Letter and send letters to people on their different streets.

Public Comment

10:05 P.M. to 10:15 P.M. -limit 2 minutes per speaker

Announcements

Agenda Items/ Speakers for Up Coming ESMAC Meetings

- . A discussion on how to get more attendance at our meetings and to get residents interested in attending meetings.
- . Develop information flyer explaining the ESMAC activities.

Adjournment

10:15 P.M.

Up Coming Events

El Sobrante Stroll September 20, 2009

Land Use Activity Report on Items Received From the Contra Costa County Community Development Department for May 13, 2009

DP08-3014- Notice of Public Hearing before the Zoning Administrator on May 4, 2009 to consider a Development Plan for a detached duplex. Owner Bruce D. Corey. Location 427 Rincon Avenue, El Sobrante.

RZ05-3161& MS05-0022- Notice of a Public Hearing before the Zoning Administrator on April 20, 2009 to consider Rezoning and Minor Sub-Division. Divide a 1.83 Acre lot into 3 parcels. Owner Maninder and Thajinder Johal. Location 5574 Amend Road, El Sobrante.

VR09-1012- Agency Comment Request on a Variance Permit Application to allow a 3-story addition to existing SFR. Project includes rebuild and attaching permitted detached garage. **Application dated March 26, 2009.** Owner Jason E. Newel, 5959 Harbor View, San Pablo.

VR09-1012- 2nd Agency Comment Request on a Variance Permit Application to allow a 3-story addition where 2 ½ stories allowed. 36 feet tall where 35 feet maximum allowed. **Application dated April 15, 2009.**

VR09-1012- Notice of Intent to Render an Administrative Decision on **April 30th, 2009.**

VR09-1013- Agency Comment Request on a Variance Permit Application . Garage built without Permit by owner 40 years ago & too close to property. Owner Jim I. Juachon & Patricia D'Angelo. Location 3958 Del Monte Road, El Sobrante.

VR08-1051- Approved Permit for a zero foot front yard setback (where 20-foot is the minimum setback required) a zero foot side yard setback (where five foot is the minimum setback required), and a zero foot aggregate side yard setback (where 15 foot is the minimum setback required) to construct a retaining wall/railing combination in El Sobrante is granted, subject to the attached conditions of approval,

Barbara

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

You are hereby notified that on MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 107, McBrien Administration Building, 651 Pine Street, Martinez, California, the County Zoning Administrator will consider a DEVELOPMENT PLAN application as described as follows:

BRUCE D. COREY (Applicant & Owner), County File #DP083014: The applicant requests approval of an amended development plan to construct a detached two story duplex where a four-unit apartment complex and a single-family residence already exist. The property is located at 427 Rincon Avenue in the Multi-family Residential Districts of the El Sobrante area of the County. (M-17 and R-7) (CT: 3630) (Parcel # 426-270-030)

If you challenge the project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the County at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For further details, contact the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development, Community Development Division, 651 Pine Street, Martinez, California, or Rose Marie Pietras at 925-335-1216.

Catherine Kutsuris, Director
Department of Conservation & Development

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

You are hereby notified that on MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 107, McBrien Administration Building, 651 Pine Street, Martinez, California, the County Zoning Administrator will consider REZONING AND MINOR SUBDIVISION applications as described as follows:

MANINDER AND THAJINDER JOHAL (Applicants & Owners), County File # RZ053161 & MS050022:

- A. The applicant is requesting approval to rezone the subject property to R-10.
- B. The applicant requests approval of a tentative map to subdivide a 1.83 acre lot into three parcels.

The subject property is located at 5574 Amend Road in the El Sobrante area. (R-10/A-2) (GP: SH) (CT: 3601) (Parcel # 433-300-006)

No CEQA determination on this project has been made to date. Due to apparent lack of interest on the part of the applicant to provide necessary information, staff is recommending that the project be denied. Alternatively, the Zoning Administrator may continue the hearing to a later date.

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Catherine Kutsuris, Director
Department of Conservation & Development

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

651 Pine Street
4th Floor, North Wing
Martinez, CA 94553-0095



Phone: (925) 335-1210

Date: 26 Mar 09

AGENCY COMMENT REQUEST

We request your comments regarding the attached application currently under review.

<p style="text-align: center;">DISTRIBUTION</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Inspection/Grading Inspection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HSD, Environmental Health, Concord</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HSD, Hazardous Materials</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W - Flood Control (Full Size)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W - Engineering Svcs (Full Size)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Date Forwarded _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W Traffic (Reduced)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W Special Districts (Reduced)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Planning</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment Agency/Housing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Historical Resources Information System</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CA Native Amer. Her. Comm.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CA Fish & Game, Region _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> US Fish & Wildlife Service</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire District <u>CEI</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sanitary District <u>WEST COUNTY</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water District <u>EBMUD</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City <u>SAN PABLO</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> School District _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sheriff Office - Admin. & Comm. Svcs.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MAC <u>EL SOBRAWITS</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DOIT - Dep. Director, Communications</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CDD-GIS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> LAFCO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Rights Holder</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Community Organizations <u>ARLINGTON HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.</u></p>	<p>Please submit your comments as follows:</p> <p>Project Planner <u>Francisco Avila</u></p> <p>County File Number: <u>VR09-1D12</u></p> <p>Prior To: <u>April 24, 2009</u></p> <p>We have found the following special programs apply to this application:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment Area</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active Fault Zone</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Flood Hazard Area, Panel # _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 60 dBA Noise Control</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CA EPA Hazardous Waste Site</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Zone _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CEQA Exempt Categorical Exemption Section</p>
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Please indicate the code section of recommendations that are required by law or ordinance. Please send copies of your response to the Applicant & Owner.

- No comments on this application.
- Our comments are attached.

Comments: _____

Signature _____

Agency _____

Date _____



**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

TO BE FILLED OUT BY APPLICANT OR OWNER

OWNER Name: <u>Jason E. Newell</u>	APPLICANT Name: <u>SAME</u>
Address: <u>5959 Harbor View Ave.</u>	Address:
City, State: <u>San Pablo, Ca.</u>	City, State:
Phone: <u>510 593-8226</u>	Phone:
By signing below, owner agrees to pay all costs, including any accrued interest, if the applicant does not pay costs. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if billings are to be sent to applicant rather than owner.	By signing below, applicant agrees to pay all costs for processing this application, plus any accrued interest, if the costs are not paid within 30 days of invoicing.
Owner's signature: <u>[Signature]</u>	Applicant's signature: _____
CONTACT PERSON (optional) Name: <u>Jason Newell</u> (MAILING ADDRESS)	PROJECT DATA Total Parcel Size: <u>7000</u>
Address: <u>3020 El Cerrito Plaza #323</u>	Proposed Square Footage of Project: <u>4986</u>
City, State: <u>El Cerrito Ca. 94530</u>	Estimated Project Value: <u>\$350,000.00</u>
Phone: <u>510 593-8226</u>	

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST (attach supplemental statement if necessary): See attached

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Application description: REQUEST VARIANCE TO ALLOW 3-STORY ADDITION TO EXISTING SFR. PROJECT INCLUDES REBUILD AND ATTACHING PERMITTED DETACHED GARAGE PER 1963 FILE 287-63 TO ALLOW ENCRACH IN SETBACK.

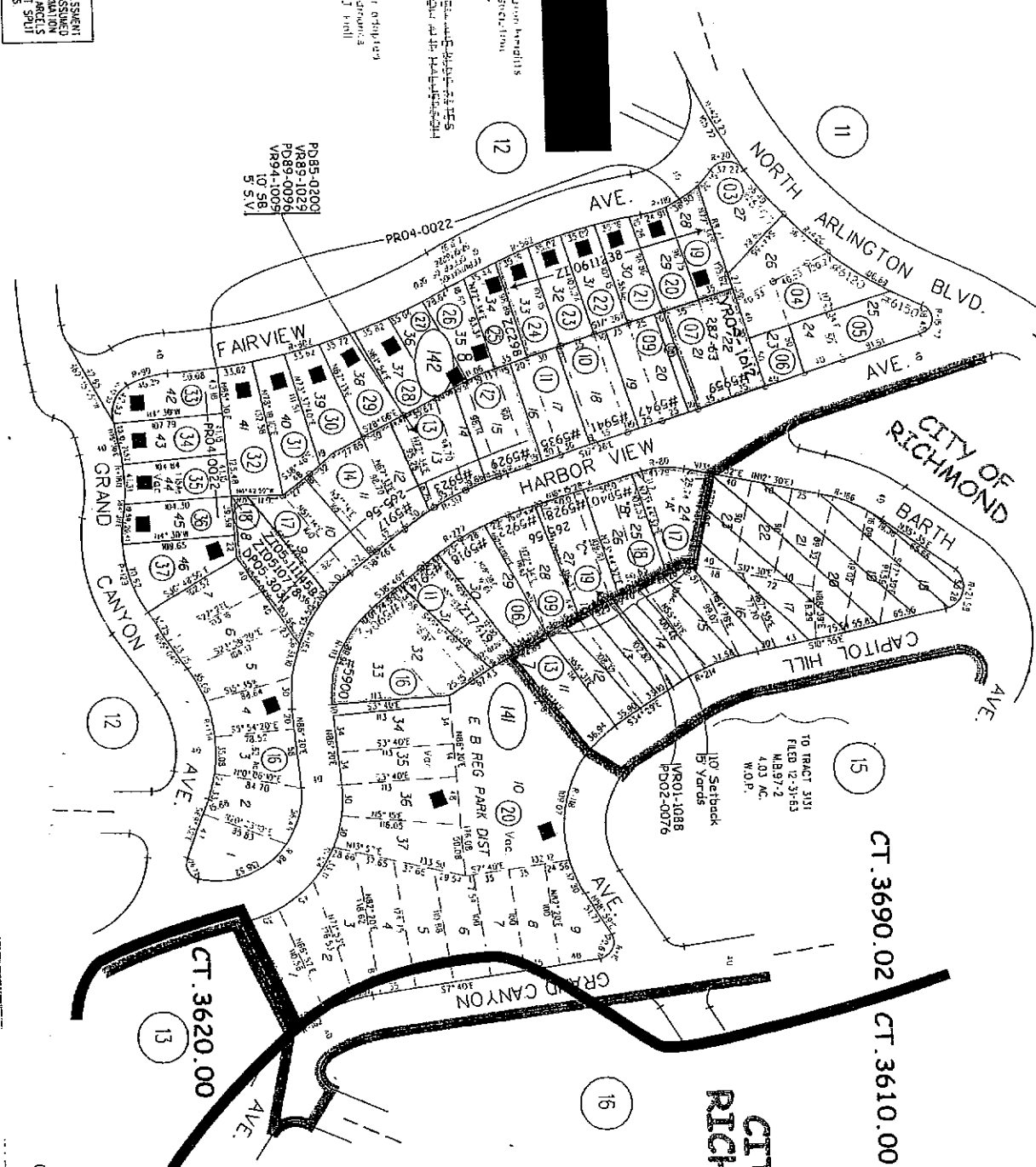
Property description: LOT 21 & 22 OF RCMD CALIFORNIA HEIGHTS

Ordinance Ref.:	TYPE OF FEE	FEE	S-CODE	Assessor's No.:
Area: <u>SAN PABLO</u>	*Base Fee/Deposit	\$1000.00	S-044	419-142-007
Fire District: <u>CFD</u>	Late Filing Penalty (+50% of above if applicable)	\$	S-066	Site Address: <u>5959 HARBOR VIEW</u>
Sphere of Influence: <u>CITY OF SAN PABLO</u>	Notification Fee	\$15.00 / \$30.00	S-052	Zoning District: <u>R6</u>
Flood Zone: <u>C</u>	Fish & Game Posting (if not CEQA exempt)	\$75.00	S-048	Census Tract: <u>369D.D</u>
Panel Number:	Env. Health Dept.	\$47.00	5884	General Plan: <u>SH</u>
x-ref Files: <u>287-63</u>	Other	\$		Substandard Lot: YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Supervisorial District: <u>1</u>
				Received by: <u>K. Demison</u>
				Date Filed: <u>26 Mar 09</u>
Concurrent Files:	TOTAL	\$ <u>1077.00</u>		File Number: <u>VR 09-1012</u>
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Date: 4-15-09

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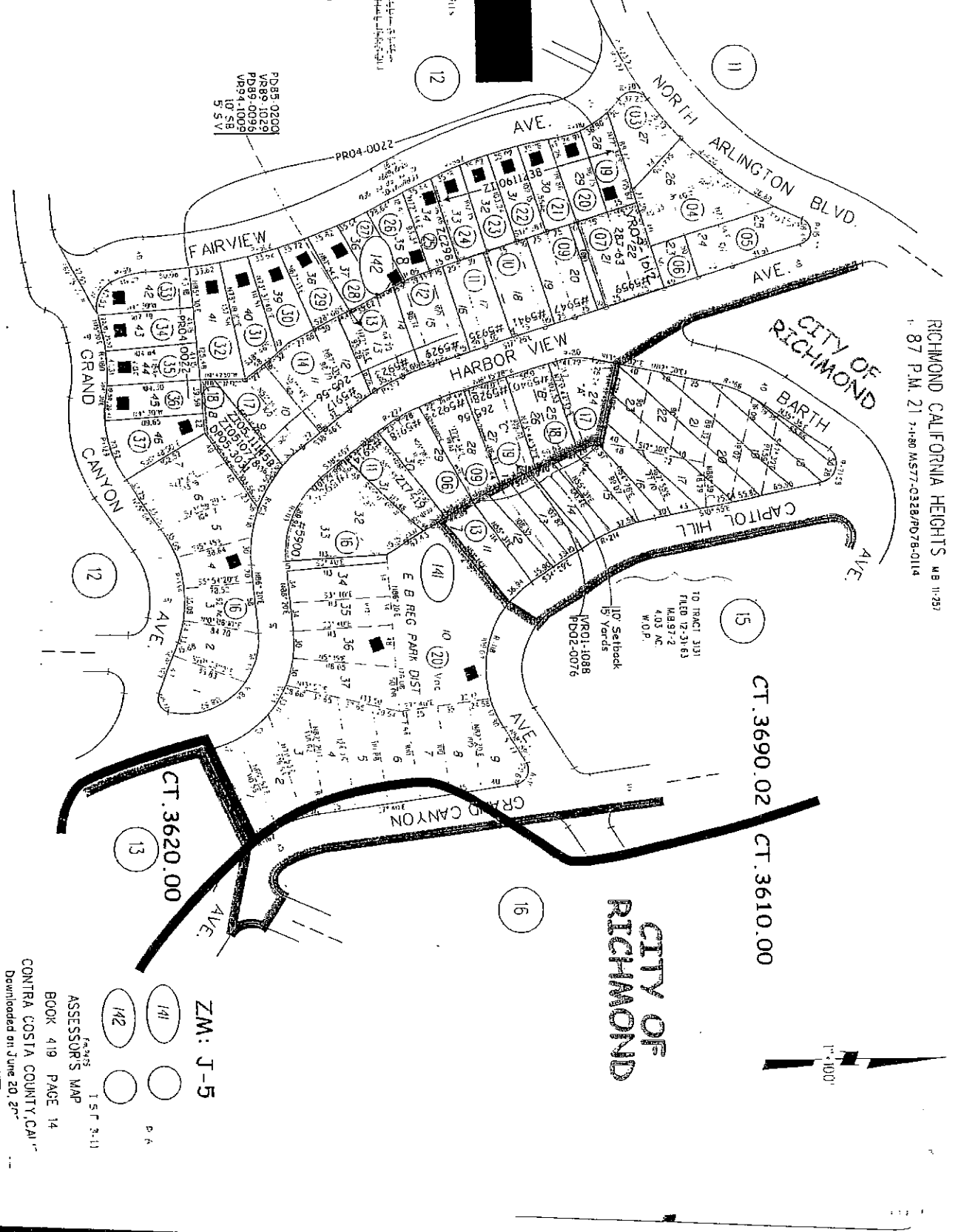
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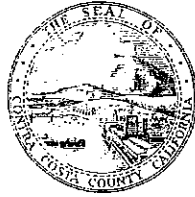
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Catherine O. Kutsuris
Director

Aruna Bhat
Deputy Director
Community Development Division

April 20, 2009

**Notice of Intent to Render an
Administrative Decision**

Dear Property Owner:

An application requesting a variance has been submitted to this department and is currently under review. The County Zoning Administrator will render a decision on this application following a public comment period. If you wish to comment or request a public hearing in this matter, you must submit a written statement by **5:00 p.m., April 30, 2009**, to:

Department of Conservation and Development
Attn: Francisco Avila
651 Pine Street
4th Floor, North Wing
Martinez, CA 94553

The application is described as follows:

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Following the Public comment period, The Zoning Administrator will (1) schedule a public hearing if one is requested, or (2) consider comments as suggested conditions of approval or as reasons for denying the application. See attached plans and elevations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (925) 335-1266.

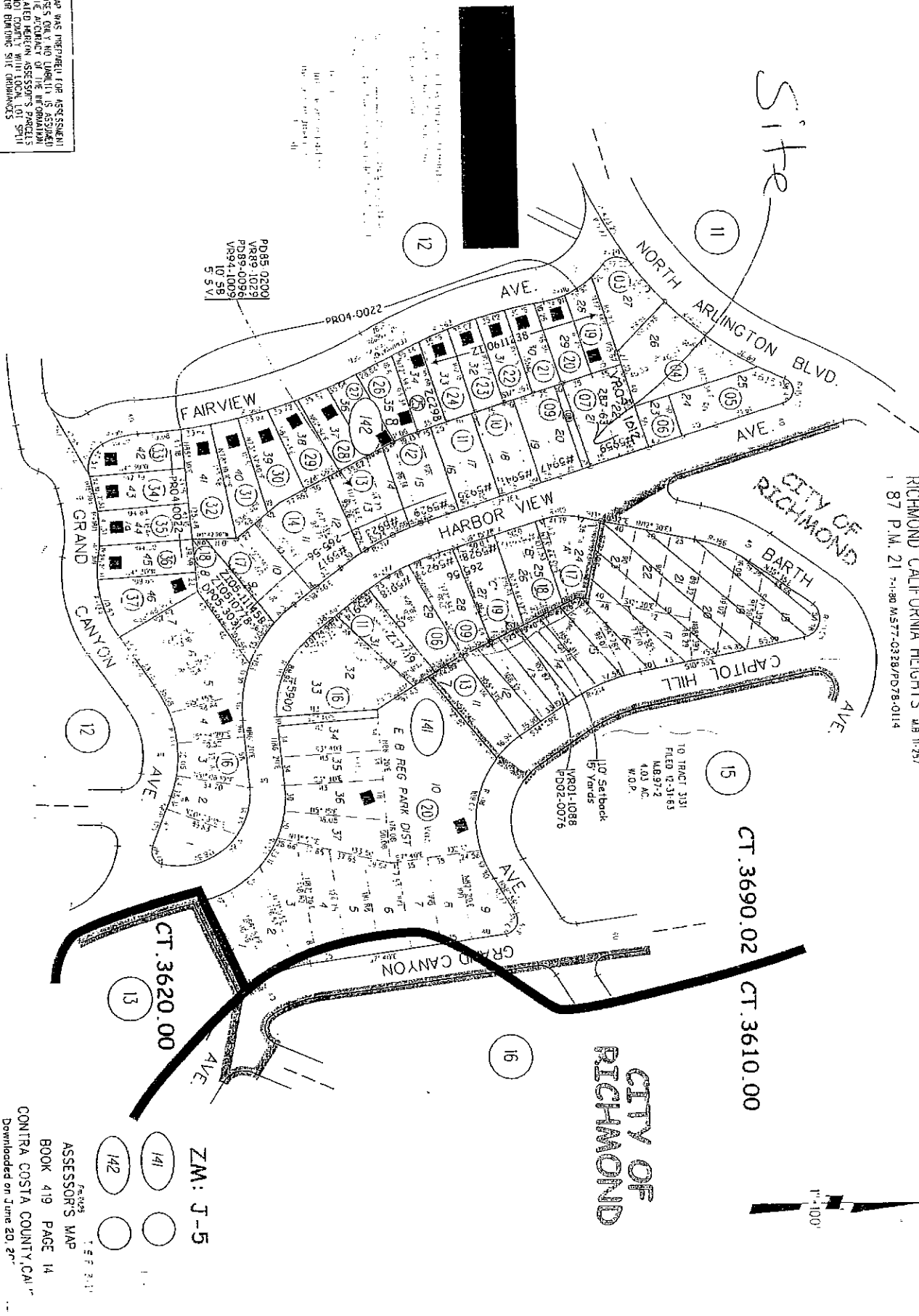
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francisco Avila".

Francisco Avila
Project Planner

Cc: 300ft. Radius
File# VR09-1012

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

651 Pine Street
4th Floor, North Wing
Martinez, CA 94553-0095



Phone: (925) 335-1210

Date: 4/3/2009

AGENCY COMMENT REQUEST

We request your comments regarding the attached application currently under review.

<p style="text-align: center;">DISTRIBUTION</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Inspection/Grading Inspection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HSD, Environmental Health, Concord</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HSD, Hazardous Materials</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W - Flood Control (Full Size)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W - Engineering Svcs (Full Size)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Date Forwarded _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W Traffic (Reduced)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P/W Special Districts (Reduced)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Planning</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment Agency/Housing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Historical Resources Information System</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CA Native Amer. Her. Comm.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CA Fish & Game, Region _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> US Fish & Wildlife Service</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire District <u>CCC Fire</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary District _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Water District _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> City _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> School District _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sheriff Office - Admin. & Comm. Svcs.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MAC <u>El Sobrante</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DOIT - Dep. Director, Communications</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CDD-GIS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> LAFCO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Rights Holder</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Community Organizations</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Please submit your comments as follows:</p> <p>Project Planner <u>James Cistroy</u></p> <p>County File Number: <u>VR09-1013</u></p> <p>Prior To: <u>May 1st 2009</u></p> <p>We have found the following special programs apply to this application:</p> <p><u>NO</u> Redevelopment Area</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Active Fault Zone</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Flood Hazard Area, Panel # _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 60 dBA Noise Control</p> <p><u>NO</u> CA EPA Hazardous Waste Site</p> <p><u>NO</u> Traffic Zone _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CEQA Exempt Categorical Exemption Section</p>
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Please indicate the code section of recommendations that are required by law or ordinance. Please send copies of your response to the Applicant & Owner.

- No comments on this application.
- Our comments are attached.

Comments: _____

Signature _____

Agency _____

Date _____



**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

TO BE FILLED OUT BY APPLICANT OR OWNER

OWNER Name: ^F <u>JIM JUACHON + PATRICIA D'ANGELO</u>	APPLICANT Name: <u>Same</u>
Address: <u>3958 EL MONTE RD.</u>	Address:
City, State: <u>EL SOBRANTE CA</u>	City, State:
Phone: <u>510-685-3403 (cell-Path)</u>	Phone:
By signing below, owner agrees to pay all costs, including any accrued interest, if the applicant does not pay costs. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if billings are to be sent to applicant rather than owner.	By signing below, applicant agrees to pay all costs for processing this application, plus any accrued interest, if the costs are not paid within 30 days of invoicing.
Owner's signature <u><i>Patricia D'Angelo</i></u>	Applicant's signature _____
CONTACT PERSON (optional) Name:	PROJECT DATA Total Parcel Size:
Address:	Proposed Square Footage of Project:
City, State:	Estimated Project Value:
Phone:	

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST (attach supplemental statement if necessary): X
GARAGE WAS BUILT W/O PERMIT + TOO CLOSE TO PROPERTY BY PREVIOUS OWNER
~ 40 YEARS AGO

OFFICE USE ONLY

Application description: Requesting a Variance to convert a garage per plans

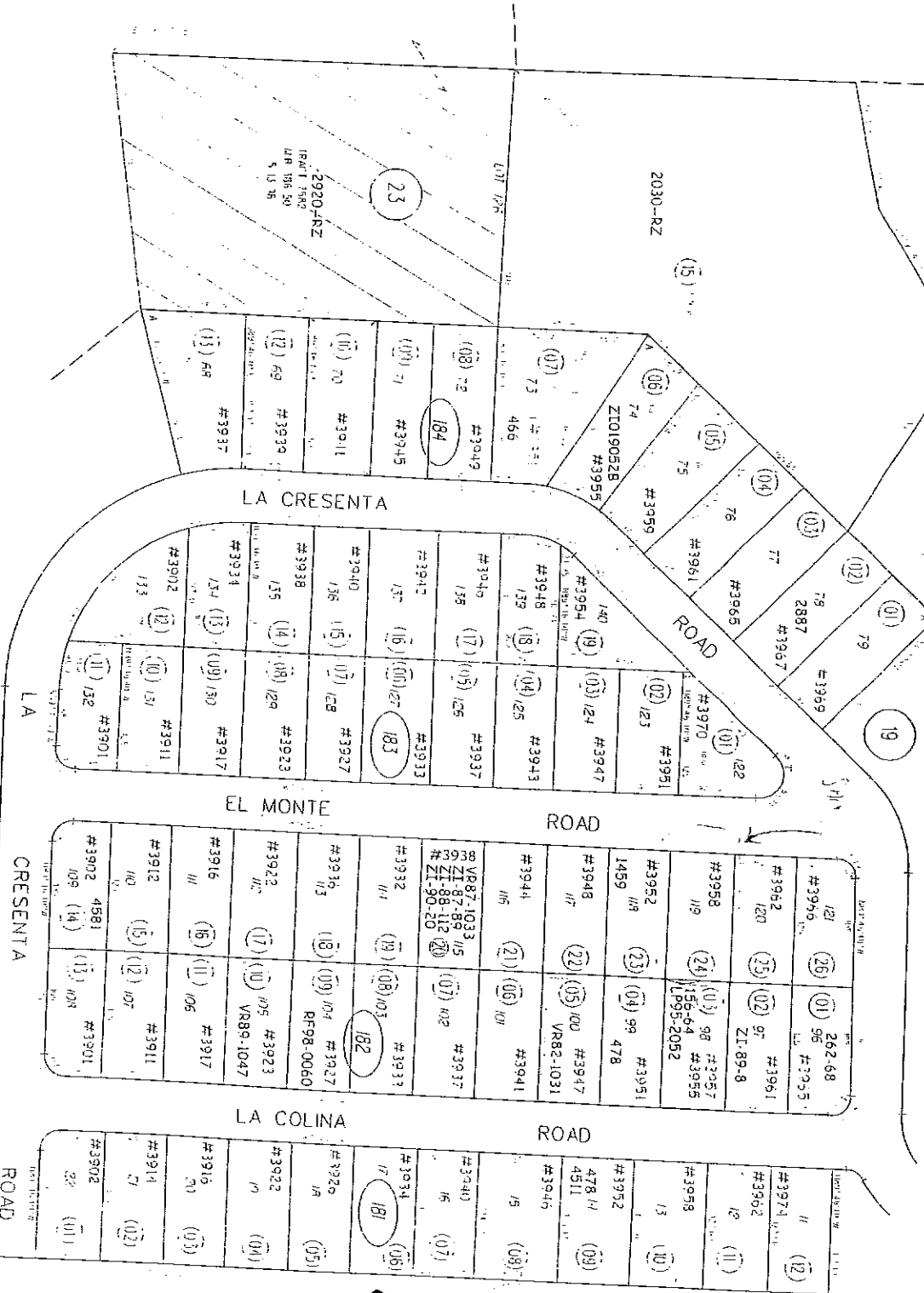
Property description: <u>Lot 119 of L4 Collins Par. Lot 196 RO. San Pablo</u>				
Ordinance Ref.:	TYPE OF FEE	FEE	S-CODE	Assessor's No.: <u>420-182-024</u>
Area: <u>EL SOBRANTE</u>	*Base Fee/Deposit	\$1000.00	S-044	Site Address: <u>3958 EL MONTE</u>
Fire District: <u>CFD</u>	Late Filing Penalty (+50% of above if applicable)	\$15.00 <u>\$500⁰⁰</u>	S-066	Zoning District: <u>R6</u>
Sphere of Influence: <u>RCMD</u>	Notification Fee	\$30.00 <u>\$15.00⁰⁰</u>	S-052	Census Tract: <u>3610.0</u>
Flood Zone: <u>C</u>	Fish & Game Posting (if not CEQA exempt)	\$75.00	S-048	General Plan: <u>SH</u>
Panel Number:	Env. Health Dept.	\$47.00	5884	Substandard Lot: YES / <u>NO</u>
x-ref Files:	Other	\$ -		Supervisory District: <u>1</u>
				Received by: <u>Tanner/Siman</u>
				Date Filed: <u>4/2/09</u>
Concurrent Files:	TOTAL	\$ 1577⁰⁰		File Number: VRO9-1013
	Receipt #			
*Additional fees based on time and materials will be charged if staff costs exceed base fee.				

INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE

LA COLINA
M.B. 25-805
POR. LOT 126 RO. SAN PABLO

TAX CODE AREA

CT. 3610.



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**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
APPROVED PERMIT**

APPLICANT:	Bill McBlaine 5720 Skyview Place El Sobrante, CA 94803	APPLICATION NO.:	VR08-1051
		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO.:	435-054-011
		ZONING DISTRICT:	R-6
		APPROVED DATE:	March 31, 2009
OWNER:	Greg Livermore 3870 Valley Lane El Sobrante, CA 94803	EFFECTIVE DATE:	April 13, 2009

This matter having not been appealed in the time prescribed by law, a variance permit to allow a zero (0) foot front yard setback (where 20-foot is the minimum setback required), a zero (0) foot side yard setback (where five (5) foot is the minimum setback required), and a zero (0) foot aggregate side yard setback (where 15 foot is the minimum setback required) to construct a retaining wall/railing combination in El Sobrante is GRANTED, subject to the attached conditions.

Catherine Kutsuris, Director
Department of Conservation and Development

By: Telma Moreira
Telma Moreira
Deputy Zoning Administrator

Unless otherwise provided, THIS PERMIT WILL EXPIRE ONE (1) YEAR from the effective date if the action allowed by this permit is not undertaken within that time.

PLEASE NOTE THE EFFECTIVE DATE, as no further notification will be sent by this office.

FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR COUNTY FILE #VR08-1051, BILL MCBLAINE (Applicant), GREG LIVERMORE (Owner)

I. VARIANCE FINDINGS

- A. Required Finding: That any variance authorized shall not constitute a grant of special privilege inconsistent with the limitations on other properties in the vicinity and the respective land use district in which the subject property is located.

Project Finding: The applicant proposes to construct a retaining wall ranging from two (2) to five (5) feet in height with a 3.5 foot railing on top of it. The maximum height of the combined structure is 8.5 feet tall. The applicant requests the following variances to construct the retaining wall/railing combination: a) A variance to allow a zero (0) foot front yard setback (where 20 foot is the minimum required); b) A variance to allow a zero (0) foot side yard setback (where five (5) foot is the minimum required); and c) A variance to allow a zero (0) foot aggregate side yard setback (where 15 foot is the minimum required).

Granting the requested variance does not constitute granting a special privilege as many other parcels in the area are built on terraced pads created by retaining walls. 3846 Valley Lane (four parcels away) has received two variances to setbacks to build a five (5) foot tall retaining wall, while 3838 Valley Lane (five parcels away) has received a variance to build a five (5) foot retaining wall. Allowing this variance does not constitute a special privilege to for this parcel.

- B. Required Finding: That because of special circumstances applicable to the subject property because of its size, shape, topography, location or surroundings, the strict application of the respective zoning regulations is found to deprive the subject property of rights enjoyed by other properties in the vicinity and within the identical land use district.

Project Finding: The parcel would be steeply sloped if it were not for the use of retaining walls to level the parcel in the past. The proposed retaining wall is necessary to safely maintain the parcel's house and prevent soil from falling onto the parcel below it. Other properties in the same land use district on the same street have comparable retaining walls. The strict application of zoning regulations would deprive the subject property of rights enjoyed by other properties in the vicinity.

- C. Required Finding: That any variance authorized shall substantially meet the intent and purpose of the respective land use district in which the subject property is located.

Project Finding: *The property is located in the R-6 land use district. The district was created to allow single-family homes and their accessory structures on parcels as small as 6,000 square feet. The proposed retaining wall is an acceptable accessory structure whose purpose is to maintain a single-family home on the parcel, an allowed use in the R-6 zoning district.*

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. ____ This approval is generally based on the following documentation:
 - A. Application submitted to the Department of Conservation and Development on September 19, 2008.
 - B. Plans submitted to the Department of Conservation and Development on September 26, 2008 and January 14, 2009.

2. ____ Approval is granted to allow a variance that meets the requirements of Section 26-2.2006 of the County Ordinance as follows:
 - A Zero (0) foot front yard setback (where 20 feet is the minimum required)
 - A Zero (0) foot side yard setback (where 5 feet is the minimum required)
 - A zero (0) foot aggregate side yard setback (where 15 feet is the minimum required)

3. ____ This application is subject to an initial application fee of \$1,000 which was paid with the application submittal, plus time and materials costs if the application review expenses exceed 100% of the initial fee. Any additional fee due must be paid within 60 days of the permit effective date or prior to use of the permit, whichever occurs first. The fees include costs through permit issuance plus five working days for file preparation. You may obtain current costs by contacting the project planner. If you owe additional fees, a bill will be sent to you shortly after permit issuance.

4. ____ All construction activities shall be limited to the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, and shall be prohibited on state and federal holidays on the calendar dates that these holidays are observed by the state or federal government as listed below:
 - New Year's Day (State and Federal)
 - Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. (State and Federal)
 - Washington's Birthday (Federal)
 - Lincoln's Birthday (State)
 - President's Day (State and Federal)

Cesar Chavez Day (State)
Memorial Day (State and Federal)
Independence Day (State and Federal)
Labor Day (State and Federal)
Columbus Day (State and Federal)
Veterans Day (State and Federal)
Thanksgiving Day (State and Federal)
Day after Thanksgiving (State)
Christmas Day (State and Federal)

For specific details on the actual day the state and federal holidays occur, please visit the following websites:

Federal Holidays <http://www.opm.gov/fedhol/.asp>

California Holidays <http://www.edd.ca.gov/eddsthoh.htm>

ADVISORY NOTES

PLEASE NOTE ADVISORY NOTES ARE ATTACHED TO THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL BUT ARE NOT A PART OF THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL. ADVISORY NOTES ARE PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF ADDITIONAL ORDINANCE AND OTHER LEGAL REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE MET IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT.

- A. NOTICE OF 90-DAY OPPORTUNITY TO PROTEST FEES, DEDICATIONS, RESERVATIONS, OR OTHER EXACTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPROVAL OF THIS PERMIT.

This notice is intended to advise the applicant that pursuant to Government Code Section 66000, et seq., the applicant has the opportunity to protest fees, dedications, reservations, and/or exactions required as part of this project approval. The opportunity to protest is limited to a 90 day period after the project is approved.

The 90 day period in which you may protest the amount of any fee or imposition of any dedication, reservation, or other exaction required by this approved permit, begins on the date this permit was approved. To be valid, a protest must be in writing pursuant to Government Code Section 66020 and delivered to the Community Development Department within 90 days of the approval date of this permit.

- B. Additional requirements may be imposed by the following departments/agencies:

- County Building Inspection Department

- West County Sanitary District
- East Bay Municipal Utility District
- Contra Costa County Consolidated Fire Protection District

It is the applicant's responsibility to contact these departments/agencies to determine if additional permits and/or approvals are required.



EL SOBRANTE VALLEY
PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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April 22, 2009

To: Supervisor John Gioia
El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce
✓ E. S. Municipal Advisory Council
May Valley Neighborhood Council
Boys & Girls Club of El Sobrante

Re: Request that you send a Letter of Appreciation to Mike Eakin

Dear Friends,

Long time area resident Mike Eakin will be moving within the next month up to the California foothills. He wrote up a short description of life in El Sobrante. He has helped us in so many ways, I wanted to request that you send him a card or a letter of thanks.

For example, he's been a member of the E.S. Valley Plan. & Zon. Adv. Committee for about 22 years. Many of those years he served as a representative of the E. S. Chamber of Commerce.

Mike also had a long, good time relationship with the Boys & Girls Club. He not only helped with construction of the new building, but he became a team coach there for about 12 years.

Mike also helped set up one of the first Neighborhood Watch groups in El Sobrante. I did tell Mike that I was sending copies of his "Life in the Leftover" to some of the groups that he mentioned. If you wish to send him a card or letter, here is his address: P.O. Box 21601, El Sobrante, CA 94820-1601.

You are welcome to call me at 510-223-6398. Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Loynd
ESVP&ZAC Chair



EL SOBRANTE VALLEY
PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Tentative AGENDA for Thursday, APRIL 9, 2009
El Sobrante Library Meeting Room, 4191 Appian Way
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. or longer

Committee Members: Ch. Eleanor Loynd V. Ch. Ruby Molinari
Sec. Mike Eakin Treas. Barbara Pendergrass George Schmidt
John Lisenko Shirley Sharp Mike Zeelen Robert Sharp
Jim Hermann, Alt.

1. Call to Order. Agenda Review
2. Approval of Minutes of March 12, 2009
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Introduction of Guests
5. Correspondence in Packet
6. Correspondence Circulating
7. Review & Updates on Projects (Times are estimated)
 - 7.1 6:00 p.m. Committee Business –
Review of projects and updates:
 - RZ08-3207, DP08-3072. Plans for 21 apartments at 970 Appian Way
 - DP08-3070. Patio attached to residence, 4108 Barranca St.
 - LP03-2052, Appeal of Sikh Temple Expansion Plans-Hearing continued into April.
 - DP08-3067, antennas in faux chimney, 448 Valley View
 - LP04-2009. Global auto, 476-478 Appian Way
 - Dumping in Richmond area above Greenridge Dr.
 - Missing Crosswalk on Appian Way at San Pablo Dam Rd.
 - Other Items
 - 7.2 6:30 p.m. PR09-0001. Application for a pre-application review for 43 lots on 20 acres at 1255 Castro Ranch Rd. Applicant: Rick Boysal, New CA Properties, Inc.
 - 7.3 7:00 p.m. For new project, if needed
 - 7.4 7:30 p.m. For new project, if needed
8. More Items to be added, if needed. -Richmond General Plan Draft.
-Discussion of the Community Meeting on Area Crime on March 31 with County Sheriff, Richmond Police, and CA Highway Patrol.
9. Adjourn- Next Mtg. Thurs., May 14, 2009 at 6 p.m. in the El Sobrante Library Meeting Room.

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6. Calls and Correspondence Circulating for Review

- 6.1 From CCollege. Nat'l Women's History Month Celebration 3/27. Honoring: Jovanka Beckles, Richmond. Wendi Gosliner, El Sobrante & more
- 6.2 From ESMAC. Info Packet for 3/11 mtg. and 4/8 mtgs.; including Code Enf. Report.
- 6.3 From County. Plan. Com. Agenda 3/24-no E.S. sites. Zon. Admin. Agenda 3/21-no E.S. sites.
- 6.4 From Spawners. March Newsletters. Copies given out to P&Z members
- 6.5 Calls from Neighbors. Concerns over neighbor putting in a wall in a utility easement. Utility Co. gave their approval, so project moves ahead. This easement is off 4400 block of Fieldcrest Dr., behind about 12-20 homes.
- 6.6 Calls to R. Code Enforcement re bldg. in easement. Staff to visit site.
- 6.7 From Watershed Project. Sat., April 25, 9 a.m. to Noon-EARTH DAY 2009-Creek clean-ups scheduled. Volunteers needed. Call 510-665-3597 for info.
- 6.8 To Rick Boysal, applicant. Invitation to P&Z Mtg. of 4/9. Pre-application for 43 homes on the 20 acre Naphan Ranch, 1255 Castro Ranch Rd.
- 6.9 From E. S. Chamber of Commerce. El Sobrante 16th Annual Stroll on Sunday, Sept. 20, including the FIRST ANNUAL DOXIE DASH (the running of the wieners). Cost of a non-profit booth rental: \$60.
- 6.10 From Mechanics Bank. Statement.

7. Appearances/Updates on Projects (Times are estimated):

- 6:00 7.1 -Committee Business -
Review of Projects and Updates
-LP03-2052. Appeal of Sikh Temple Expansion plans-Appeal Hearing continued until some time in April.
-DP08-3067. Antennas in faux chimney, 448 Valley View
-LP04-2009. Global Auto 476-478 Appian Way
-Dumping in Richmond area above Greenridge Dr.
-Possible AT&T antenna site at 3530 Morningside Dr., R.
-Other items:
- 6:30 7.2 PR09-0001. Application for a pre-application review for 43 lots on 20 acres at 1255 Castro Ranch Rd.
- 7:00 7.3 Review plans for De Anza High School
- 7:30 7.4 VR07-1083. Variance for barn to office, 5529 Olinda Rd. Planner James Cisney. On County Agenda in May. (EL,ME)
- 8:00 7.5 More items to be added, if needed. -Richmond General Plan Draft
-Discussion of a Community Meeting on Area Crime on March 31.

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8. Public Comment:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE REGARDING ANY ITEM WHICH IS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA. GUEST SPEAKERS WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTE PRESENTATIONS UNLESS EXTENDED BY THE COMMITTEE.

9. OLD Business

Richmond projects:

- 9.1 **Castro Ranch** , R 51 homes on 33 acres. Barra Ltd. filed a lawsuit against Richmond. No new info since 2008. Asgnd: EL
- 9.2 **Clark Road** project, R, 180 homes,144 acres. Property for sale for \$9.5M. Tentative plan for 56 homes on 25 acres, 119 ac left out. No action.
- 9.3 **Forest Green** , R. 188 (now 120) homes on 80.6 acres. No date set for when Vol.2 EIR will be done. Project on hold. Assigned: RM, EL
- 9.4 **Canyon Oaks, phase 2.** 36 homes on 23 acres, 300 acres in a conservation landbank. Tentative Map OK. Project on hold for now. Assigned: JL,EL
- 9.5 **Taylor Ranch.** 70 ac., 65 ac. dedicated open space. Now-FOR SALE
- 9.6 **Two homes on Greenridge.** R. Plan. Dept. asking for more information About approval of layout of homes. Assigned: EL
- 9.7 **Richmond General Plan:** E. Loynd and G. Schmidt are on the Gen. Plan. Adv. Committee. Draft document not yet out. Ten.Date 4/09
- 9.8 **R. Sunset Dr.,** 9 homes on 1.37 acres on Valley View Rd. Plan. Com. Hrg. Approved 8 homes. Project meets guidelines of the Hillside Ordinance. No new info. Asgnd:EL,SS,RS

County Projects:

- 9.9 **Naphan Ranch, Castro Ranch Rd.** East Bay Regional Park District reviewing possibility of purchasing the 20 acre site. Now PR09-0001. Pre Ap. Review of 43 lots. Mtg. 4/8/09 Asgd: SS, MZ,EL
- 9.10 **SD01-8533.** 35 homes off Hilltop approved. Still in Court. Agd: EL,BP
- 9.11 **LP03-2052 Expand Sikh Temple.** Application Complete. Mitigated Negative Declaration. Appeal filed. Hearing 2/1/09 to be continued to April 09. More information gathered. Ad: SS, ME
- 9.12 **Wang property, 100 acres off Castro Ranch Rd.** 8/7/07 Bd. Of Supervisors denied request to move urban limit line. Asgnd: ??
- 9.13 **Golden Oaks-250 acres on Castro Ranch Rd.,** next to Countryside. 160 acres-Carter property-foreclosure on hold due to owner's death
- 9.14 **County Gen Plan.** Planner Pat Roche meeting with ESMAC to update E. S. General Plan. Draft not yet out. Asgnd:BP, RM
- 9.15 **SD05-8986, DP05-3038.** 10 condos, 4441 Appian. DP not acted on. Habitat for Humanity interested in property/project. Asgd: SS
- 9.16 **MS05-0022.** 4 lot split at 5574 Amend Rd. Active. Asgd: JL
- 9.17 **SD06-9066.** 12 homes off Fariss Lane. Revised plan Ad: RM
- 9.18 **VR06-1029.** New home, 37 Holly Lane. Drainage. Asgd: RM,MZ

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- 9.19 RZ06-3177, SD06-9106. 15 homes, 5330 SP Dam Rd. Mit. Neg. Dec.-
Sleepy Hollow approved. Ad: ME, MZ, EL
- 9.20 TP06-0039. Tree permit, new home, 1161 Hillside Dr. Now DP07-3004. Public Hearing to be scheduled. Active. Asgd: JRF,GS
- 9.21 VR07-1083. Barn to office, 5529 Olinda Rd. P&Z rec. approval. James Cisney, Planner. Ten. Hrg. May 09. Assigned:SS,RS,EL
- 9.22 MS07-0016. 1.53 acres into 3 lots, 5172 La Honda Rd. James Cisney, Planner. Ad:RM,MZ
- 9.23 MS07-0020. Split parcel into 2 lots, 4312 Santa Rita Rd. P&Z recommends approval. Planner Demian Hardman Asgd: JH
- 9.24 DP07-3076. Legalize apartments, 408 La Paloma Rd. Asgd:SS,ME Deck approved, no 2nd apartment. No Parking signs to be put up.
- 9.25 VR08-1008. Variances for sideyard and total sideyard due to construction of deck without permit at 4202 Foster Lane. Denied. Appeal filed-to be heard 8/12. Ad:ME, JH
- 9.26 DP08-3014. 2 story duplex at 421-431 Rincon Lane. Ad:RM, BP
- 9.27 DP08-3038. Home additions (2) at 2114 Rancho Rd. Asgd: RM,BP
- 9.28 Global Auto, 476-478 Appian Way Asgd: GS, JL
- 9.29 Richmond-2 new homes on Greenridge Drive. Hearing Sept. Ad:EL Held over, waiting for proof of approval of previous change in plans.
- 9.30 RZ07-03, DR07-30. Proposed 2 story mixed use bldg. at 2700 Appian Way, Pinole. P&Z recommends approval.
- 9.31 DP08-3067. Antennas in faux chimney on Valley View Asgd: RS
- 9.32 RZ08-3207, DP08-3072. 21 apartments, 970 Appian Way Asgd: RS
- 9.33 DP08-3070. Patio attached to home, 408 Barranca St. Asgd: SS/RS
- 8.34 Beer/wine on site sale, 448 Valley View Rd. Assigned: RM
- 8.35 Mixed Use bldg. 420 Pebble Dr. P&Z recommended approval.

10. NEW BUSINESS -

- 10.1 Assigned:
- 10.2 Assigned:

11. Community Reports (if time)

- 11.1 ESMAC - Meetings 2nd Wed. at 7 p.m. in the E.S. Library
- 11.2 May Valley N. C. Next Mtg. -Thursday, April 23rd at the May Valley Community Center, 3530 Morningside Dr., R.
- 11.3 CSA R-9 Committee - Mtgs. 3rd Thursday, E.S. Lib. Mtg. Rm., 6 pm

12. Adjournment. NEXT ESVP&ZAC MEETING: Thurs., MAY 14, 2009

El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee
P.O. Box 20136 El Sobrante, California 94820-0136

Minutes for March 12, 2008

Call to order: 6:00 pm

Committee Members: Chair: Eleanor Loynd, Vice Chair: Ruby Molinari, Secretary: Michael Eakin, Treasurer: Barbara Pendergrass, George Schmidt, John Lisenko, Robert Sharp, Shirley Sharp, Mike Zeelen, Jim Hermann, Alt.

Members Absent: John Lisenko.

Approval of Minutes: First Motion: R.M. Second Motion: M.Z.

Approved Vote: 8-0-1

Treasurers Report: \$801.04

Committee Business New and Old:

Booth at the El Sobrante Stroll to be shared with the E.S.M.A.C.

Stroll News: Weiner dog race.

The letter written by E.L. returned from Wong Property.

East Bay Regional Park District unable to purchase 20 acre Naphan Ranch.

DP09-3006. recommend approval.

DP08-3070. 408 Barranca St. Patio building with full bath. Owner put restriction on deed that the building would not be used for Rental Property.

Assigned to: S.S. and R.S.

DP08-3067. 448 Appian Way. Cell Phone Antenna.

Assigned to: R.S. and M.Z.

Drainage problems at Sikh Temple. E.L. to write letter to City of Richmond and County. Note: Views could be blocked by new addition. Traffic study could be put in the General Plan.

7.2 6:30 DP08-3038 Second story room addition and home additions at 2114 Rancho Rd. Concerns: Exterior stairs, height, drainage, HD hold downs and foundation, third floor windows, out of character for neighborhood.

Assigned to: B.P. and R.M.

Adjournment: 7:40

As always, Thank You, PZ volunteers for your time.

Next Meeting: April 9th.



EL SOBRANTE VALLEY
PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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March 22, 2009

Supervisor John Gioia
C.O.S. Terrance Cheung
11780 San Pablo Ave., Suite D
El Cerrito, CA 94830

By Fax & Mail
Fax: 374-3429

Re: Missing Crosswalk on Appian Way at San Pablo Dam Rd.

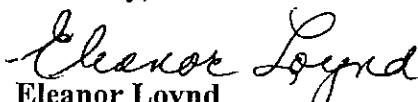
Dear John & Terrance,

The Problem: There is no painted crosswalk on Appian Way at the intersection of San Pablo Dam Rd. There is now an aluminum arch with a 'No pedestrian crossing' sign on each side of Appian Way. People continue to cross the street there because we have always been able to do that. What the County is now requiring is that pedestrians cross S.P. Dam Rd. to the La Colina side, then cross La Colina Rd., and then cross back over S. P. Dam Rd. to get back to the creekside.

As far as I know, this change was never discussed with the usual local groups—the El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce, the El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council, or the El Sobrante Valley Planning & Zoning Advisory Committee. We request that you set up a meeting with reps from those 3 groups and the Public Works Dept., if this change was their idea. Can we change back to the usual crosswalk at Appian Way? What are the reasons for this change? Was the decision based on the cost of improving the crosswalk for the disabled? Is there some plan to enforce this change?

Please call me at 223-6398 or fax me at 510-758-7697. Your help is very much appreciated. If this change is to stay in effect, you might consider sending out an information flier to the schools, churches, the library, and various groups in the area.

Sincerely,


Eleanor Loynd
ESVP&ZAC Chair

cc: E.S. Chamber
May Valley N. C.

E. S. M. A. C.
E.S. Boys & Girls Club of E.S.

John Gioia (say "Joya")

Supervisor, District I
Contra Costa County
Board of Supervisors

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11780 San Pablo Avenue, Suite D
El Cerrito, California 94530

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April 2, 2009

Eleanor Loynd
El Sobrante Valley Planning & Zoning Advisory Committee
P.O. Box 20136
El Sobrante, CA 94820

sent via fax & mail
510-758-7697

Dear Eleanor:

I am writing in response to your March 22, 2009 letter about the elimination of the east-west crosswalk on the north side of San Pablo Dam Road.

Our office was notified of the change *after* the project was completed and the crosswalk was already removed.

Attached, you'll find memo from our Public Works Department (at our request) explaining the rationale for the crosswalk removal due to requirements to meet ADA (Americans with Disabilities) standards.

Jerry Fahy, the County's Transportation Engineer, is also scheduled to attend the April 8th El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council meeting to respond to any additional community questions.

Please feel free to contact our office if I can be of further assistance. You may also reach Jerry Fahy at 925-313-2276, or Julie Bueren, our Public Works Director, at 925-313-2202.

Respectfully,



Terrence Cheung
Chief of Staff

cc: El Sobrante Chamber El Sobrante MAC
✓ May Valley Neighborhood Council El Sobrante Boys & Girls Club

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Memo

TO: Terrance Cheung, Chief of Staff, District I
DATE: March 18, 2009
FROM: Jerry Fahy, Transportation Engineering - Traffic *Jerry*
SUBJECT: Crosswalks on San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante Area

MESSAGE:

This memo is in response to the email from you dated March 12, 2009, concerning crosswalks in El Sobrante, and the recent resurfacing project on San Pablo Dam Road.

I have discussed the project and your email with staff in our Construction, Design, and Transportation Engineering Divisions, and provide the following comments:

The San Pablo Dam Road Rehabilitation Project was partially funded with Federal Funds. The use of Federal Funds required that Public Works update existing curb ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities (ADA) standards.

San Pablo Dam Road at Appian Way:

The east-west crosswalk on the north side of San Pablo Dam Road was removed due to the fact that an ADA accessible ramp could not be constructed on the east side of this intersection. The height of the existing sidewalk on the Appian Way Bridge made it impossible to meet ADA requirements necessary to construct a ramp at this location. The east-west crosswalk on the south side of San Pablo Dam Road and the two north-south crosswalks have remained at this intersection. Removal of this crosswalk will improve the safety and efficiency of this intersection as left turns from San Pablo Dam Road onto Appian Way will not conflict with pedestrian movements.

San Pablo Dam Road at Hillcrest Road:

The north-south crosswalk on the west side of this intersection was also removed due to ADA issues and an existing private driveway. This is a T-

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March 20, 2009

Richmond City Manager Bill Lindsay
Richmond City Hall
1401 Marina Way South
Richmond, CA 94804

By Fax & Mail
Fax: 620-6542

Re: LP03-2052. Information on Appeal of Sikh Temple Expansion Plans & Current Drainage Problems now on site at 3550 Hillcrest Rd., E.S.

Dear Bill,

The ESVP&ZAC (supported by the E.S. Chamber of Commerce and the Richmond May Valley N.C.) and the Richmond Quail Hill HOA partnered to appeal the approval of the expansion plans which would add 70,000 sq. ft. to the existing Sikh Temple site which now has structures of 21,000 sf. The Board of Supervisors voted to require staff to provide more information on traffic, soils stability, and more before they vote on the appeal.

Just recently, the adjacent Richmond Quail Hill residents began to suffer from a much larger amount of water drainage from the Sikh Temple property. Joe Lasado, County Code Enforcement officer visited the site and determined that the water was coming from the upper Richmond section of the Sikh Temple property. On Tues., March 10, Richmond Code Enforcement officer Eva Mann and a staff member came to a meeting at Sup. Gioia's office in El Cerrito. Ms Mann said that she or a staff member would visit the Sikh Temple site to check on water problems.

I contacted Randall Henderson, President of the Quail Hill HOA, and he had not yet received any information from Eva Mann. The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of this situation and to request your help. Quail Hill residents actually brought in a pump to help remove some of the drainage. Information on this drainage problem needs to be shared with Richmond and County staff as well as with the Quail Hill HOA, the ESVP&ZAC, and the Board of Supervisors. It is likely that the Board of Supervisors will hold the final public hearing on the appeal sometime in April. Please see that Richmond Code Enforcement goes on site to look at the drainage problems. Information and/or suggestions should be shared with all groups mentioned. You can call me at 510-223-6398. You can reach HOA Pres. Randall Henderson at 510-223-1759. See enclosed letter of 3/11/09.

For your information, the San Pablo Ridge is the most slide prone area in West County. From 1983 to 1987, about \$18 million was spent on lawsuits, home repairs, and hillside damage repairs on Hillcrest Rd. In 1998, about 15 homes were damaged on La Cima and La Colina Roads, a short distance from Hillcrest Rd.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Loynd
Eleanor Loynd, Chair ESVP&ZAC

cc: Mayor McLaughlin
Sup. John Gioia

Plan. Dir. Richard Mitchell
County Plan. John Osborne

Sikh Temple Problems

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From: Randall Henderson ()
To: Eva Mann
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2009 5:00:38 PM
Subject: Fw: Slide Area Sikh Temple

March 11, 2009

Eva Mann
Code Enforcement Officer
City of Richmond

Several years ago the Sikh Temple secured land from East Bay Regional Park using the following method.

The temple caused the hillside to become unstable by grading the site without benefit of permits and in doing so, forced the Park Service to sell them the 1.6 acres for \$1,000.00.

Recently because of the rain the hillside has begun to slide again and the Temple has continued to divert water onto our properties.

Would it be possible to have the area in question inspected and adjacent (east) to the slide area inspected. This is an area directly behind Dove Lane. About four years ago the Sikh Temple encroached on this land, in what appeared to be construction for additional parking. Bulldozers were used and the hillside was reconfigured. This incident took place after an initial encroachment issue, whereby Regional Park sold the parcel to the Temple.

East Bay Regional Park was informed of this act and made the Temple cease. We are concerned that because of the grading, the stability of this particular site on the hillside may have also been compromised.

We feel that this was another attempt to secure the land from Regional Park. I have enclosed photos of this encroachment attempt.

Regards,

Randall Henderson
President
Quail Hill HOA

Project Schedule

Meetings and Deliverables	Time Line	Status
Administrative Draft of General Plan Elements to City Staff	January 16 to 23	Complete
City Staff Review of Administrative Draft General Plan Elements	January 16 to April 3 (12 Weeks)	--
Final City Staff Comments on Administrative Draft to MIG	April 3	--
Public Draft General Plan Elements Released for GPAC and Public Review <i>Originally Feb. 16</i>	April 17	Tentative
GPAC and Public Review of Public Draft <i>Originally Feb. 16</i>	April 17 to June 19 (Two Months)	--
Planning Commission Working Sessions (Three Total) to Review Public Draft General Plan Elements and Preferred Land Use Alternative	July and August	Tentative
Administrative Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Released for City Staff Review <i>Originally April</i>	Mid-July	--
City Staff Consolidated Comments on EIR	Mid-August (Four Weeks)	--
Draft EIR Released for Public Review <i>Originally April</i>	End-August	Tentative
Public Review of Draft EIR <i>Originally June</i>	End-August to End-October (Two Months)	
Planning Commission and City Council Hearings on Draft Final EIR and Draft Final General Plan <i>Originally Sept.</i>	November to December	Tentative
Zoning Update <i>Originally Sept.-Oct.</i>	December 2009 to January 2010	--

Note: From January 2009 Update.

Zoning Update

*Note: The Zoning Ordinance update began in 2007-08. Zoning approach discussions were held with Planning staff (3/08); and a Mixed-Use chapter was authored (5/08). The Z.O. update will be completed in its entirety upon approval of the GPU.

Budget for tasks identified above: \$188k

Total Budget remaining: \$188k

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March 24, 2009

Jennifer Cruz, Planner
Community Development Department
County Administration building
651 Pine Street Fourth Floor North Wing
Martinez, Ca 94553

Project DP08-3038
2114 Ranch Road
El Sobrante, Ca

Dear Ms. Cruz;

The above project is a single family residence owned by Mr. and Mrs. Wai Chi Ho. They submitted a plan to remodel the house and add another story. The revision would result in a kitchen/dining room, family room, living room, bathroom, and one bedroom on the lower floor. The upper floor would have three bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a laundry room. The plan also shows a second residence on the back part of the lot. This residence would also be two stories with a kitchen, bathroom, and living room on the ground floor with two driveways leading to it. The second floor has two bedrooms and a bathroom.

A visit to the site was made and the exterior of the existing house and lot were reviewed. The interior of the house was not seen. Mrs. Ho was present during the visit and stated she and her husband were the parents of three young daughters. She stated she wanted to retire in El Sobrante as she loved the area. The addition of four bedrooms would give each child a bedroom with the fourth bedroom for the parents. She claimed she wanted to live with her children even after they were married so she could baby sit her grandchildren. According to Mrs. Ho the residence on the back of the lot would be for the parents to live in later on. She did not state what the current use would be.

Several of the neighbors were contacted. Three had no objections to the addition of the second story, however, one neighbor was very adamant that a second story should not be erected. The main objection was that it would provide a view of the neighbor's backyard completely destroying all privacy. Any activities in the neighbor's yard would be in full view of the Ho's windows. The increased height of the Ho's roof line would detract from the neighborhood. There are no other two story houses in the immediate neighborhood.

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The El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee (ESVP&ZAC) discussed this project at their meeting on March 12, 2009. The neighbor was present at the meeting and expressed her concerns regarding the Ho's building plans. Beside objecting to the addition of a second story the house has other problems which needed to be corrected. She stated she had looked at the Ho's house several years earlier when it had been for sale. At that time there was a drainage problem on the lot and the house foundation was in disrepair. During heavy rains water collected in the garage.

The change in the roof heights between the current house and the proposed building was compared as closely as possible at the meeting. It appears the roof height is currently 15 ft (15.8) and will be 26.4 on the rear side of the proposed building, a gain of almost 11 ft. The roof line also would change. It was agreed the drainage and foundation problems should be given adequate attention when the new house is built

Because it appeared the second house was not scheduled to be built until later there was minimal discussion about it. However, there are questions about this residence. Since the daughters are still too young to live in the house how would it be used. Would it be a rental, and if so, would that be legal?. The neighbor's objections would also concern this house as it would be 25 ft tall and tower over her backyard.

Mrs. Ho indicated that the proposed house was too large and she had contacted the builder to change the plan to a smaller house. The ESVP&ZAC decided to put any voting on hold until the new plans are received. At that time we would like both the Ho's and the neighbor to meet with us.

Sincerely,



Ruby Molinari
Vice Chair, ESVP&ZAC

cc: Mr. and Mrs. Ho
Victoria Randall

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From: Margaret Helsel <mahelsel@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Fwd: Dumping on Richmond property -Attn: Elenore Loyne
Date: March 29, 2009 5:30:43 PM PDT
To: newsletter@mayvalleync.org
▶ 6 Attachments, 1.0 MB

From: Helsel Bill <billhelsel@sbcglobal.net>
Date: March 29th 2009 7:42:11 PM PDT
To: Eleanor Loyne
Subject: Dumping on Richmond property

Dear Eleanor

We spoke earlier today about the man who has been dumping asphalt road rubble on the fire road just beyond the Upland Drive entrance to the property adjoining Upland and Greenridge Drives in Richmond. He is Lee Latimore, phone (510) 375 2279, apparently a self-employed trucker since his blue Peterbilt dump truck has the lettering "L Lat" on the doors. It bears CA plates #5C94373. He gave us his reason for doing this as "trying to lay a road through this property" to a 5 acre parcel beyond this property which he states he owns with various other people. He wants year round access in order to maintain a garden there. He was very angry, verbally abusive and threatening when we asked if he had permission to do this. He felt that he was entitled to do this and didn't need anyones permission.

Mr. Latimore dumped one load of about 8 cubic yards on Tuesday, March 24, then on 25th he brought a grading machine and spread the rubble out over the fire road. On the 26th, in spite of being advised by the Richmond Police on the 25th that he should have all necessary permits and landowner permissions before proceeding, he dumped a second load and plans to bring "many, many, more". He left his grading machinery parked beyond the gate on the fire-road. The gate to this property is normally locked with only the Fire Dept and some horse-owners having keys for access. Mr Latimore lifted the gate off it's hinges in order to access the property.

We managed to contact the property owner (Mr Mortazavi at Habitat (650) 579 4994- in Burlingame) and he assures us that he did not give anyone permission to dump road rubble on his property or to lay a road on it. He has contacted his lawyer for more information about a possible easement pertaining to this property and will have a definitive answer on Tuesday March 31st. In the meantime we have notified Richmond City Code Enforcement and Permit Depts. Ms Teresa Tingle (621 1280) from the Code Enforcement Dept plans to come to the site on Monday to see what is happening. Mr Cardenza (?sp) at 620-67764 (Permit Dept) has not yet returned our call which we left on Saturday 28th. We'll keep you updated on what progress we make in sorting this out.

Attached are 6 photos taken March 24 and 26.

Many thanks for your support.

Best wishes

Margaret Helsel

cc will be mailed to you 3/30/09

COMMUNITY MEETING ON CRIME & SAFETY

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* Tues., March 31, 2009 - Boys & Girls Club of El Sobrante

AGENDA:

- 7:00 p.m. - Master of Ceremony: Mike Frith. Intro of Reps from the 4 sponsoring groups-- E.S. Chamber of Commerce Mike Frith; Richmond May Valley N. C. Eleanor Loynd; E.S. MAC Emily Lane; B&G Club of E. S. Tom Mason. Introduction of Elected Officials-Sup. John Gioia, Mayor Gayle McLaughlin, Sheriff Rupf. -Review of Agenda. -Location of Hand-outs -Comments -Turn in Written Questions. Group Reps will read the questions to the Police.
- 7:06 p.m. - Question: What part of E. S. Valley do you cover? (3 min. ea.)
-County Fire Chief Keith Richter
-Richmond Fire Chief Michael Banks
- 7:12 p.m. Crime Stats in E.S. Valley area (Each group 3-5 min.) First Question: Which part of the El Sobrante Valley do you cover?
-Contra Costa County Sheriff's Dept. Lt. Ron Bradley
-Richmond Police Dept. Capt. Anthony Williams
-CA Highway Patrol Officer Joe Godman
- 7:27 p.m. - Questions from the Audience/Answers from Police Reps (40 min.) Each rep. (CCC Sheriff Dept., RPD, CHP) will get 2 minutes to answer each question. Timer: Tom Mason
- 8:10 p.m. Ways to Make our Community Safer (10 min. each group)
-Michelle Milem, RPD staff, to review plans for starting a Neighborhood Watch Group in Richmond or County.
-County comments by Lt. Ron Bradley
- 8:30 p.m. If time, review of hand-outs. What you can do to help yourself and your neighbors:
-Get to know your neighbors
-Be sure to put on your alarm system when you leave home, even if the trip is only 5 minutes.
-Call the non-emergency numbers for help
- 8:40 p.m. End of Organized Meeting. Informal discussions between police officers and audience members.
- 9:00 p.m. Meeting Over

NOTES For Attendees:

1. Pick up hand-outs from the table. 2. Beverages & cookies available.
2. If you want info on specific crimes, write questions including your name, address, & phone number on the cards to give to the police officers.

Thanks to the El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce, the Richmond May Valley Neighborhood Council, The Boys & Girls Club of El Sobrante, and the El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council for organizing this Meeting.



**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPLICATION

TO BE FILLED OUT BY APPLICANT OR OWNER

OWNER		APPLICANT	
Name <u>Willis J. Naphan (TIC)</u>	Name <u>NEW CALIFORNIA PROPERTIES, INC</u>	Name	Name
Address <u>5130 Alhambra Valley Rd.</u>	Address <u>696 San Ramon Valley Blvd #175</u>	Address	Address
City, State <u>Martinez, CA 94553</u>	City, State <u>Danville CA 94526</u>	City, State	City, State
Phone <u>(925) 372-8426</u>	Phone <u>(925) 875-9151</u>	Phone	Phone
By signing below, owner agrees to pay all costs, including any accrued interest, if the applicant does not pay costs. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check here if billings are to be sent to applicant rather than owner.		By signing below, applicant agrees to pay all costs for processing this application, plus any accrued interest, if the costs are not paid within 30 days of invoicing.	
Owner's signature <u>[Signature]</u>		Applicant's signature <u>[Signature]</u>	
CONTACT PERSON (optional)		PROJECT DATA	
Name <u>Rick Boyzal</u>	Name	Total Parcel Size: <u>20 ACRES</u>	Total Parcel Size:
Address <u>696 San Ramon Valley Blvd #175</u>	Address	Proposed Number of Units: <u>43</u>	Proposed Number of Units:
City, State <u>Danville CA 94526</u>	City, State	Proposed Square Footage: <u>121,500</u>	Proposed Square Footage:
Phone <u>(925) 875-9151</u>	Phone	Estimated Project Value: <u>35,000,000</u>	Estimated Project Value:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Application Description: 43 DETACHED SFH Between 2700-3200
An Application for a preapplication review for a 43 lot
subdivision.

Property Description: MILLO SLABS FLAT BUILDING PLAN
20 acres ON CASTRO RANCH ROAD North east of Hillside drive.

Ordinance Ref. _____	Type of Fee:	FEE AMOUNT:	S-CODE	Assessor's No. <u>433-110-022 & 023</u>
Area <u>El Sobrante</u>	*Base Fee/Deposit	\$ <u>750</u>	S-	Site Address <u>1255 Castro Ranch RD</u>
Fire Dist. <u>Consolidated</u>	*Late Filing Penalty	\$ _____	S-066	Zoning District <u>A-2</u>
Sphere of Influence <u>Richmond</u>	(if applicable - 50% of above)	\$ _____	S-014	Census Tract <u>3560.02</u>
Panel No. _____	# Units _____ x 195	\$ _____	S-014	Atlas Page _____
x-ref Files _____	(Development Plan)	\$ _____	S-014	General Plan <u>SL</u>
Concurrent Files: _____	Sq. Ft. x .20	\$ _____	S-029	Supervisory Dist. <u>1</u>
	½ % value over \$100,00	\$ _____	S-029	Rec'd by <u>Richard NORRIS</u>
	(of est. Project value LUP)	\$ _____	S-052B	Date Filed <u>3-2-09</u>
	Notification Fee	\$ _____	S-048	File Number <u>PR09-0001</u>
	#Addresses x \$1.50 + \$30	\$ _____	5884	
	Fish & Game Posting	\$ <u>75.00</u>		
	(if not CEQA exempt)	\$ _____		
	Environmental Health	\$ <u>47.00</u>		
	Other	\$ _____		
	TOTAL	\$ <u>750.00</u>		
	Receipt # <u>CD10556</u>			
	Other _____			

* ADDITIONAL FEES BASED ON TIME AND MATERIALS WILL BE CHARGED AFTER STAFF COSTS EXCEED BASE FEE

INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE



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Community Development Division
Current Planning
Contra Costa County
651 Pine Street
Second Floor, North Wing
Martinez, CA 94553

February 27, 2009

Pre-application Review

APN- 433-110-022 & 433-110-023

Dear Ruben and Current Planning,

Please find our formal 'Request for the Pre-application Review' of our proposed major subdivision, located at 1255 Castro Ranch Road in El Sobrante.

The project will be identified as "Rancho Verde Estates" and will consist of 43 homes on approximately 20 acres. This parcel is the last 'urban development, piece in that portion of the county.

New California Properties, Inc. is the applicant and is located at 696 San Ramon Valley Blvd., Suite 175, Danville, CA. Our phone number is (925) 875-9151 and e-mail contact is Richard@newcalprop.com. ✓

Please find enclosed our proposed Subdivision Map (# 9252), SWCP and project description to distribute to the various agencies.

If you have any questions prior to scheduling our meeting; please feel free to call me at the number above.

Sincerely yours,

Rick Boysal
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'Rancho Verde'
El Sobrante, Ca
Subdivision Map # 9252

Project Description

'Rancho Verde' is located in county district of El Sobrante. The parcel is nearly 20 acres in size with a natural development area in the center of the property.

New California Properties, Inc. is proposing '43 Single Family Homes' (P1) as a means to limit grading and leaving the natural hillsides undisturbed and will be dedication nearly 10 acre as open space.

The property is located at 1255 Castro Ranch Road and is the last remaining parcel with in the urban limit line. NCP has met with the El Sobrante Planning and Zoning Committee (both formally in their meeting room as well on site), Supervisor John Gioia, and neighboring HOA's. ALL have unanimously favored our proposed project. We have made some alterations form their direct input, and have incorporated into Tentative Map, Storm Water Control Plan and Landscape Plans we are submitting today. ✓

NCP has also concluded ALL bio studies as well completed the Geotechnical Exploration is currently working on the Phase I (ENGEO) and a Traffic Impact Study. These reports will be submitted to the planning department as soon as made available upon submittal of the formal application.

In closing I wanted to say that this project has been very well researched and planned out with many study maps and supporting data to ensure a smooth process.

Please contact Rick Boysal at (925) 875-9151 or e-mail Richard@newcalprop.com with any questions.

Enthusiastically yours,

Rick Boysal

Enclosures

PREAPPLICATION REVIEW
Community Development Department



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Contra Costa County
(925) 335-1210

Date 3-2-09

- TO: Building/Grading Inspection
- West county waste water Public Works Dept., Eng. Services
- Public works/traffic Building Inspection Dept.
- Fire Protection District consolidated

- 1) Flood control
- 2) Advanced Planning Health Services Dept., Env. Health Div.
- 3) Fish & Game General Programs, Concord (All)
- US Fish & Wildlife Hazardous Materials Programs*
- EBMUD Cal. EPA/Env. Service Center
- West Contra Costa Unified Current Planning Clerk-Typist [Form & Receipts (Orig. & File)]
- Historical Resources Accounting Clerk-Typist (Form Only)
- Info Systems Redevelopment Agency (Redev Areas Only)

- CA Native American Heritage Comm. Sheriff's Office - Adm. & Com. Services
- LAFCO Originals/File to Project Planner
- Transportation Planning OTHER: El Sobrante Planning advisory

OTHER: El Sobrante MAC
urban creeks Council
City of Richmond
 File # PRO9-0001
 Area of County El Sobrante
 Tax Parcel # 433-110-022/023

Project Planner Ruben Hernandez ⁹²⁵ Phone No. 335-1339
 Receipt No. CD10556 S-Code S-051A

NEW California Properties
 Name of Firm
a review of a 43 lot subdivision
 Description of Project
3-2-09
 Date Preapplication Received Wed
April 8th
 Date April 8, 2009 (Wed)
 Time 10:00 AM
 Location: Application & Permit Center (2nd Floor)
Conf. Room
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Agency Response

A representative (Name: _____) of our office will attend the meeting.

We have no comments on the proposal.

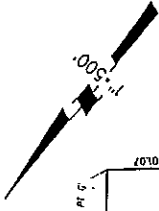
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(Reviewer)

(Date)

Return To: Community Development Department
 Contra Costa County
 651 Pine Street, 4th Floor
 Martinez, CA 94553

*Provide a packet to Haz. Mat. when the project (1) may involve use of hazardous materials, (2) is on a documented hazardous waste site, (3) is adjacent to a "Superfund" site, or (4) may pose significant health problems to future occupants from a possible mishap at a nearby industrial operation. Send Packet through Inter-Office Mail to Pacheco Blvd. Office).



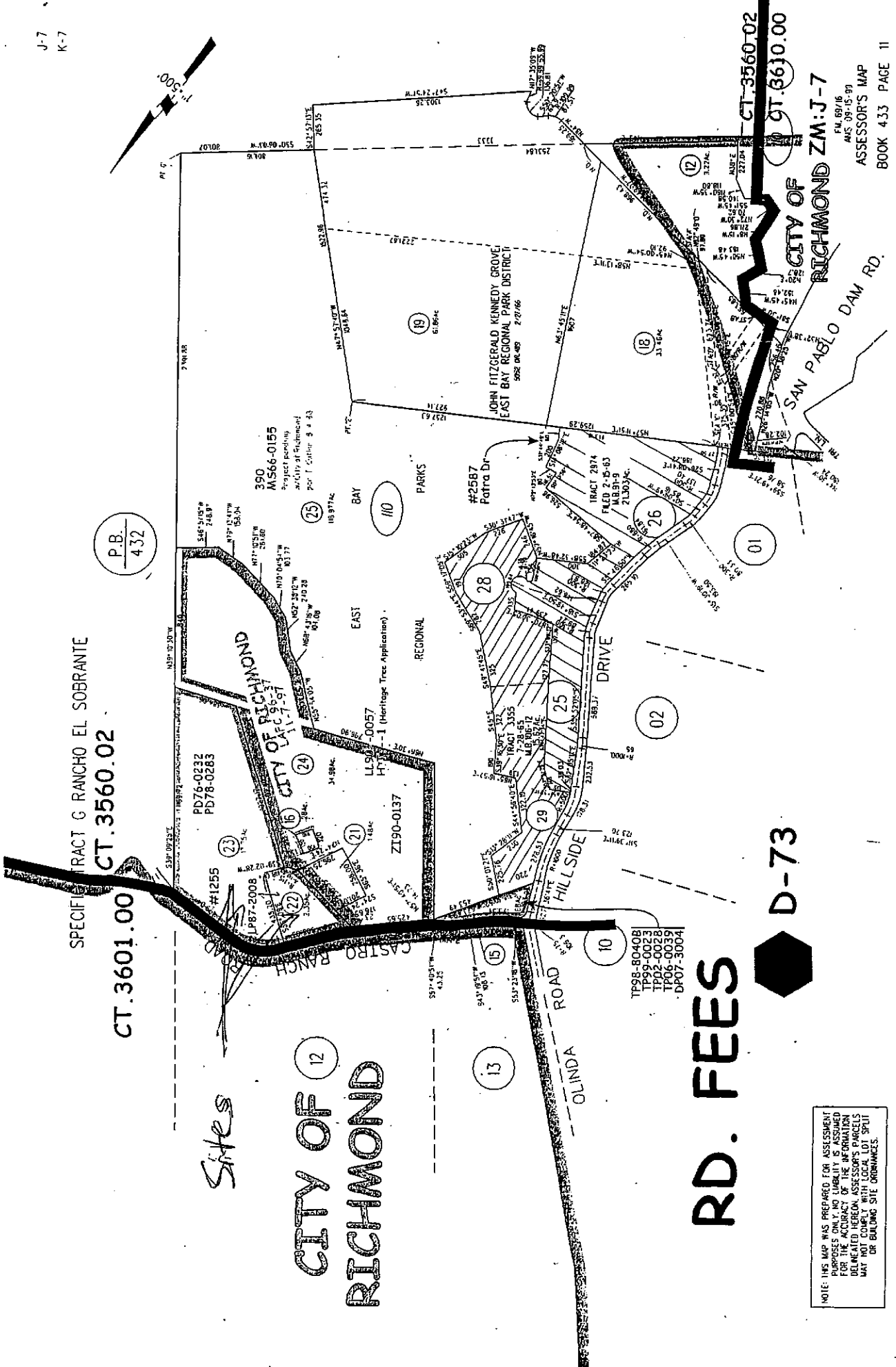
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Thu 3/19/09

WEST CONTRA COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Measure M, D and J

ID	Task Name	Scenario	Start	Finish	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
1	HELMS MS		Mon 4/8/07	Thu 12/1/11						
2	New School Building	1 & 4	Mon 4/8/07	Wed 12/30/09						
3	Demolition	1 & 4	Fri 1/1/10	Tue 6/7/10						
4	Field Projects	1 & 4	Thu 6/2/10	Thu 12/1/11						
5	PINOLE MS		Mon 3/16/08	Fri 12/30/11						
6	Portable Interim Kitchen	1 & 4	Mon 3/16/08	Mon 8/1/09						
7	Demolition/Hazmat	1 & 4	Mon 3/16/08	Mon 8/3/09						
8	Modernization	1 & 4	Mon 3/16/08	Fri 12/30/11						
9	PORTOLA MS		Mon 3/2/09	Tue 7/31/12						
10	Design	4	Mon 3/2/09	Mon 3/29/10						
11	Portola MS Temp Relocation to El Cerrito HS	4	Mon 1/22/10	Mon 1/4/10						
12	New School Building	4	Tue 5/11/10	Tue 7/31/12						
13	EL CERRITO HS		Mon 6/18/12	Thu 1/31/13						
14	Portable Removal	1 & 4	Mon 6/18/12	Mon 8/6/12						
15	Field Projects	1 & 4	Mon 6/18/12	Thu 1/31/13						
16	DE ANZA HS		Mon 3/5/07	Wed 4/30/14						
17	Design	4	Mon 3/5/07	Fri 10/30/09						
18	New School Building	4	Mon 11/2/09	Wed 4/30/14						
19	KENNEDY HS		Mon 6/9/08	Mon 9/6/10						
20	Design Building Improvements	1 & 4	Mon 6/9/08	Tue 9/1/09						
21	Boiler Replacement	1 & 4	Mon 4/8/09	Mon 6/8/09						
22	Fire Alarm/Low Voltage	1 & 4	Wed 5/27/09	Mon 9/3/09						
23	Restroom Upgrades	1 & 4	Wed 5/27/09	Mon 6/7/10						
24	Field House & Field Lights	1 & 4	Mon 11/2/09	Mon 8/6/10						
25	ADA Upgrades & Elevator	1 & 4	Mon 11/2/09	Mon 8/2/10						
26	Fencing	1 & 4	Mon 11/2/09	Tue 6/7/10						
27	RICHMOND HS		Tue 5/27/08	Thu 12/31/09						
28	Stadium / Field House Bleachers	1 & 4	Tue 5/27/08	Thu 12/31/09						
29	DOVER ES		Wed 6/4/08	Thu 3/1/12						
30	Demo - Portables	1 & 4	Wed 6/4/08	Fri 1/30/09						
31	Site Work	1 & 4	Wed 2/4/09	Wed 3/4/09						
32	New School Building	1 & 4	Mon 5/4/09	Thu 3/1/12						
33	FORD ES		Mon 3/2/09	Mon 8/5/11						
34	Demolition Site Work	4	Mon 3/2/09	Wed 7/1/09						
35	New School Building	4	Mon 9/7/09	Mon 8/5/11						
36	KING ES		Mon 6/2/08	Fri 7/1/11						
37	Site Work	1 & 4	Mon 6/2/08	Tue 3/31/09						
38	New School Building	1 & 4	Wed 4/7/09	Fri 7/1/11						
39	NYSTRÖM ES		Mon 8/27/07	Mon 8/3/12						
40	Design	4	Mon 8/27/07	Mon 9/26/09						
41	Phase I New Multi-Purpose Building	4	Thu 7/1/10	Mon 9/5/11						
42	Phase II Renovations - Main Building	4	Tue 9/6/11	Mon 9/3/12						
43	OHLMONE ES		Thu 9/11/08	Mon 9/3/12						
44	Design	4	Thu 9/11/08	Tue 9/29/09						
45	New School Building	4	Mon 7/5/10	Mon 9/3/12						

Project: Master Schedule 03-09
Date: Thu 3/19/09

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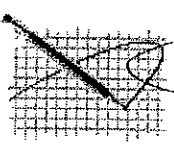
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 James Cisney/CD/CCC
09/19/2008 02:36 PM

To James Cisney/CD/CCC@CCC
cc George Maegoto <maegoto@hotmail.com>
bcc
Subject Re: James Hermann Variance Request

George:

I could find no applications for a variance for this accessory building on the corner of San Pablo and Hunters Lane, nor are there any building permits (though it is possible a building permit may exist with building records that is not in the computer database). However, without planning approval for this oversized accessory building on San Pablo, it is illegal per the code and should not have received a building permit. Therefore, it cannot be used to support a variance for the accessory structure at the Hermann residence.

Mr. Hermann's options are as follows:

- 1) Submit his own findings based on the same findings that staff must make. This can be difficult. He would have to have very compelling reasons and support to overturn a decision made by staff to not recommend the variance. As you might note, from the example above, this can be more difficult than it may seem.
 - 2) If the Zoning Administrator agrees with a staff recommendation to deny, he could appeal the denial to the Planning Commission at a Public Hearing. Others would also be able to speak. As you may be aware, several neighbors have expressed strong objections to approving a variance for an accessory structure.
 - 3) The variance application could be withdrawn (we would need a letter stating this) and a new application could be made for a land use permit. The application would be to request approval of an additional residence and convert the accessory structure to a residence. Under R-7 zoning there is language that states "More than one detached dwelling . . . if the density is not greater . . . than seven thousand square feet . . ." (County Code, Section 84-4.404, (6) (B).
- (Note: This by no means assures approval for an additional dwelling, particularly since there are already two on his lot, but it is a possible avenue to consider. There is risk in following this path that more staff time and expense will accrue without necessarily approval. But it may be his best option).
- 4) He could apply for a subdivision of the land. With R-7 he could theoretically do a minor subdivision of the 2.35 acres of up to 4 lots with a minimum of 7,000 sq. ft. each. The accessory structure, converted to a single family residence, could then legally exist on a separate, legal parcel. However, per the site plans submitted, there is only 8 feet of space between the converted barn and one of the homes. So at least one variance would have to be granted as part of the subdivision because setbacks wouldn't be met.

In general, breaking up this lot, due to the locations of existing buildings, looks problematic. I am not going to analyze whether it is possible, or what variances might be necessary to accommodate a subdivision, but if Mr. Hermann's wants to submit a proposal along these lines we will certainly look at it. As with any other application, we could not offer any guarantee that a subdivision would be approved either.

- 5) Remove the building.

Thanks for providing the materials you dropped off. If you or Jim have any further questions don't hesitate to call. I will need to hear from one of you soon as to how you wish to proceed.

James Cisney
Project Planner

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P.O. Box 2218
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November 4, 2008

Len Battaglia
World Travel Agency
2300 El Portal Drive, Suite H
San Pablo, CA 94806

Re: 5529 Olinda Road, El Sobrante

Hello Len:

Thank you for returning my call the other day regarding my personal residence at the above referenced address. As I told you this is a property that my wife Jacqueline and I purchased about three years ago. As you said you and I both remember it from times gone by as the Arabian horse ranch previously owned by Dr. Whitson, and had been a horse property for at least 40 to 50 years. When we purchased it it was still a horse property, approximately 2 1/4 acres in size, with two residences and a barn on it. I have attached a photograph of what the barn looked like at that time. Since my wife and I are not horse people we decided that the barn would be better utilized as an office and art studio for her and our youngest daughter Ivette, who is head of the Art Department at Richmond High School. So, we remodeled the barn to fit that need and I have attached a photograph of what the renovated barn looks like now. Due to my ignorance I did not obtain any permits to do this remodeling, thinking that there would be no requirement to do so since I was not changing the size or footprint of the barn. One of our neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Zaragoza, who have been antagonists for every one who has previously owned this property, having been in a law suit for 14 years with one of the prior owners, decided to make our lives as miserable as they possibly could by reporting the barn remodeling to the County. An inspector, Patty Cookson, showed up unannounced at the property and proceeded to tell me that I needed permits for what I had done and that I should check with the Community Development Department as to what permit to apply for. When I did subsequently go to the County offices in Martinez I met with Keith Denison, Senior Planning Technician, who proceeded to tell me that since my property is zoned R-7 I could not have a barn on it, even though the barn had been here for 50 years or more. As an alternative I could treat the barn as an appurtenant structure, but I would have to apply for a variance for its size and height. This all took place between June 2007 and December 2007, with the culmination of my filing for a variance permit on December 28, 2007, application number VR07-01083.

Following my application filing my case was assigned to James Cisney, Planner/Advance Planning, of the Community Development Department, and have provided everything that he has requested. In addition, I appeared before the El Sobrante Valley Planning &

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Zoning Advisory Committee and, upon their review of my property, received a letter from them recommending their approval of the variance permit, dated February 28, 2008. I have attached a copy of this approval letter.

On May 14, 2008, I received an email from Mr. Cisney informing me informally that my variance request would not be granted. In support of this informal finding he stated that the guiding premise for a variance is that the denial of a variance would deprive me of rights that others are privileged to in my area, and since there are no other properties with a barn or other similarly sized appurtenant structure on them in my area this would not be true. Bear in mind that this is concerning, as I have stated above, a structure that has been in existence for over 50 years on a property that is larger than any other R-7 zoned property in my area and the County has never questioned its size or existence before.

I then scouted around my area for another property that I could utilize as an example of a property that had a building structure on it the size of my renovated barn. I identified a property on Olinda Road, but in checking its zoning status I discovered it was zoned A-2, even though it is only 183,216 square feet in size, which does not meet the 5 acre requirement of A-2 zoning. I also found another property at 5876 Hunters Lane, El Sobrante, about 8/10 of a mile from my house that has a garage on it that is at least as large as the renovated barn. I have attached a photograph of that building. Through the architect that I had engaged, Mr. George Maegoto, Mr. Cisney was informed of this property and building. Mr. Cisney's response was that he could find no applications for a permit or variance for this building's construction and, therefore, I could not use it as an example of a "right granted to others." He very politely proceeded to tell me that I had several choices, which included appealing the variance denial, vacating the variance application and applying for a land use permit to classify the renovated barn as a personal residence, although there was no assurance that that would be granted either, or remove the barn in its entirety. My wife and I have spent over \$100,000 to renovate this barn and do not intend to simply remove it.

In order to try to reconcile this matter without taking a litigious approach to it I scheduled a meeting at my property with Mr. Cisney and his supervisor Will Nelson for October 9, 2008. In this meeting both Mr. Cisney and Mr. Nelson were very polite but concluded with the same suggestions that I heard from Mr. Cisney before, and I was charged close to \$700.00 for their time at this meeting. Mr. Nelson did say, however, that the least costly alternative would be to continue the variance permit application procedure by appealing their negative determination. This would entail my outlining my case keeping the three requirements for a variance in mind (per Contra Costa County Code Article 26-2.2006). Of particular concern for Mr. Nelson was the second requirement of this Article, which says "That because of special circumstances applicable to the subject property because of its size, shape, topography, location or surroundings, the strict application of the respective zoning regulations is found to deprive the subject property of rights enjoyed by other properties in the vicinity and within the identical land use district." Remember, there is no other property within my vicinity zoned R-7 that is even close to the size of my property and would, therefore, not even be able to support the placement of an appurtenant structure the size of the renovated barn. The only one would

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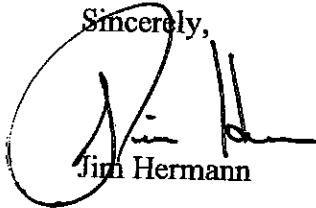
be the property on Hunter's Lane which, apparently, was not built with permits. So, why doesn't this property owner have to go through all of the hoops that I have to jump through? Isn't that allowing a property owner a right I do not have?

I also mentioned the Sikh Temple project in El Sobrante/Richmond, which has at least seven variances attached to it and to which the County has given a mitigated negative declaration. Mr. Nelson said that is not the same kind of project as mine and, therefore, would not apply.

So, I am struggling to think of how I prove my case when the examples I have come up with don't seem to help. Therefore, it is hoped that you can give me some help and guidance on this matter since it looks like I will be appealing the variance request denial and it will end up before the Planning Commission.

If there is any additional data that you need please let me know and thank you in advance for your review of this whole thing.

Sincerely,



Jim Hermann



EL SOBRANTE VALLEY
PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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February 28, 2008

James Cisney, Planner
CCC Community Dev. Dept.
651 Pine Street
4th floor, North Wing
Martinez, CA 94553-0095

By Fax & Mail
FAX: 925-335-1222

RE: VR07-1083, APPLICATION FOR VARIANCES FOR STRUCTURE AT
5529 OLINDA RD., EL SOBRANTE.

Dear Mr. Cisney,

We are aware that the "barn" was renovated from its existing building and therefore the size of the building is slightly higher and larger than the code requirements for an accessory building to a residence. We have no objections to this variance because the barn exists in an area where it does not affect other residences surrounding it. It sits far from other homes. There are no setback problems.

We find the barn a very upgraded addition to the surrounding properties.

The purpose of the barn is to provide a studio environment for a family of three. The family has created an office and studio space for a daughter who is an art teacher and artist, a mother who paints and does flower arrangements and plant landscaping, and a father who is a retired attorney who does work at home. All of these special interests have been incorporated in the design of this studio and licensed contractors have done the renovation.

We approve the barn with the following conditions:

1. The construction meet all of the Contra Costa County codes and inspections.
2. The recommendation that a driveway and parking plan be included in the plan.
3. Conditions be placed on the property that the building not be used as a residence, place of business, or a rental.
4. Owner to obtain proper permits and have County inspections of the building.

Very truly yours,

Shirley Sharp
Member, RSVP&ZAC
(510) 701-5494

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RE: County File: VR07-1083
5529 Olinda Road, in the El Sobrante area
APN: 433-310-022

From County Staff

If you do not take one of these actions within 60 days from the date on this letter, your variance request will be sent to the Zoning Administrator with a recommendation for an administrative denial due to lack of interest. ✓

As we have articulated in prior discussions and communications, your options are as follows:

- 1) Withdraw your application for a variance and apply for a condition of approval modification to land use permit #LP01-2084 to allow the attachment of the accessory building to an existing residence so that it becomes an addition. (Only one kitchen would be allowed for this merged building. You are advised that school and park dedication fees will apply).
- 2) Withdraw your application for a variance and apply for a land use permit for an additional residence. (School fees and park dedication fees would apply for an additional residence if this were approved).
- 3) Withdraw your application for a variance and remove the accessory building.
- 4) Reduce the size of the accessory building to an allowable size; either by right (600 square feet), or to a size that may be tenable through a variance application.
- 5) Withdraw your application for a variance and apply for a residential second unit, limiting the building to no more than 1000 square feet including any covered porches. (You would have to add a kitchen to make the existing building a residential second unit).
- 6) Notify us of your preference to have the project submitted for a public hearing by the Zoning Administrator with a staff recommendation for a denial.

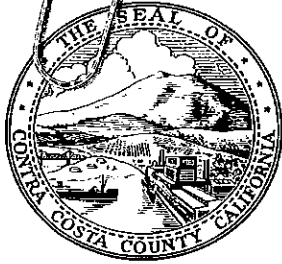
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Details: The property at 55 29 Olinda Rd. is 2.5 acres in size. The current request for approval of a variance is to allow a 1,600 sq. ft. accessory building (where a maximum of 600 sq. ft. is allowed) and for a height of 20-ft. (where 15 ft. is the maximum.) Note: Perhaps, the size & height could be lowered.

The barn was built in about 1946. It was used as a horse barn for horses and other animals. Kids' birthday parties were often held on site. The barn is not easily visible. The original use of the barn subjected neighbors to the smell of manure and the use of big Stinkies (big plastic bottles) to attract and kill the huge number of flies attracted by the horses.

We approve the variance for the barn with the following conditions:

1. The construction must meet all of the Contra Costa County codes and ordinances.
2. We recommend that a driveway and parking plan be included in the review.
3. Conditions should be placed on the property that the building cannot be used as a residence, a place of business, or a rental.
4. The owner must obtain proper permits and County staff must inspect the building.



Department of Conservation & Development
Building Inspection Division
651 Pine Street - 4th Floor
Martinez, CA 94553
Telephone: (925) 335-1111 Fax: (925) 646-4450

DATE: April 10, 2009
TO: El Sobrante MAC - District 1
FROM: Michael Angelo Silva, Chief, Property Conservation
By: Joe Losado, Code Enforcement Officer
SUBJ.: Monthly Reports

Enclosed is the El Sobrante Access Report for the month of March 2009.

**SUMMARY OF CODE ENFORCEMENT CASES
(March 2009)**

	CASES OPENED	CASES CLOSED	TOTAL CASES ACTIVE
EL SOBRANTE	4	6	23



EL SOBRANTE VALLEY
PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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P. O. Box 20136 • El Sobrante, CA 94820

April 19, 2009

To: ESVP&ZAC Members

Re: Change is in the works

Dear P&Z Members,

Enclosed is a copy of the resignation statement from Mike Eakin. Mike has purchased a home in the foothills near Jackson and West Point. The house has 2 bedrooms with 3 large decks on about one half an acre. His nearest neighbor is about 2 blocks away. The house is now in escrow. He has started packing and plans to move in early May. Mike plans to visit this area about once a month. Mike said he was prepared to make this announcement at our April meeting, but he just felt too emotional to let it out. Give him a call or send him a card or you decide. I decided to send you this information, so that you could decide how you wanted to say goodbye to Mike.

Mike has a long history of helping the neighborhood. He first joined the Committee in 1987. He also helped build the Boys & Girls Club.

Other NEWS: I pulled some P&Z members together to visit 5959 Harbor View Ave. to check out a burned house that the owners hope to rebuild. It is located right where Barth Ave. turns up the hill. Presently, surrounded by a cyclone fence. It burned down in January. According to the plan: At street level, you will be able to see the rebuilt garage and the top floor of the house. The other 2 stories go down the hillside. The house will not obstruct any views. Homes in the area are 2 1/2 stories high. Variances are for 2 ft. in height and 1/2 story addition. Comments have been sent in.

Naphan Ranch: Our comments were sent in with a lot of help from John Lisenko. We did ask for an Environmental impact report and detailed a lot of concerns. A copy of the letter will be in your packet for May.

Other Changes:

1. We will need someone to step in to take the job of Recording Secretary. Do we have a volunteer?
2. I will be stepping down as P&Z Chair in September. Would you be interested in being Chair or we could have co-chairs? Let me know.

Eleanor

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Here's to The Leftover

In 1976 I had a life change. Many of my friends were dieing from overdoses and drug/alcohol related deaths. My uncle whom was a big brother to me died in a car wreck, he was drunk driving. This all brought me to an awakening and I quit drinking and using illegal drugs.

I felt that I had to do something good for my community. I had wanted to be a school teacher and had taken childhood education courses at Contra Costa College (I still attend and have taken many courses). But teaching didn't pay as well as carpentry and construction jobs. I decided to volunteer my spare time to help children who didn't have it all.

That year I took on a youth baseball team for the San Pablo Baseball League. It was a lot of work and I finished that season in third place. I had never coached in my life. A high school friend, Chuck Bethard, was coaching his stepson at the El Sobrante Boys Club. He asked me to help him coach flag football that winter. I was hooked...

At the time The Boys Club was in an old wooden building. There was flavor to that building and a lot of love for children. That was the beginning of a twelve year span of coaching baseball, football, and basketball. I coached the leftovers, or the bad news bears. After a while I always had a first place team in baseball.

In 1982 I met my first wife. We were married in 1983 at San Pablo Dam Reservoir and moved into her home on the corner of Hilltop Drive and Manor Road. 4-4-1984 I had an accident at work. A large wall we were raising fell on me. I had over a hundred bone fractures to my body.

While recuperating I saw the nightmare during the day in front of the house and learned of others in the neighborhood having worse problems. From the buses the students were having rock fights and jumping in and out of the bus windows, plus daytime burglaries, car thief and vandalism. The students going to Juan Crespi Junior High were out of control.

I started knocking on doors and got a petition started, in which I got close to two hundred signatures. I had a meeting at Juan Crespi that over a hundred people showed up for. Most of the West County School Board and representatives from the Sheriffs Department, California Highway Patrol, Pinole City Counsel, Richmond City Counsel, West County Times, Westcat and AC Transit.

Everyone started talking and a lot of good came out of that meeting. AC Transit hired football players from Contra Costa College to ride the buses. The Sheriff started patrols at key times. The school district with the

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help of the neighbors caught the students leaving the school without permission.

I attended many AC Transit meeting and the student bus pass was born. But I wanted it to work only in front of a school. So the students would have a safe place to wait for a bus.

I got to see the plans for the new Fitzgerald Drive Shopping Center in neighboring city of Pinole. I saw the possibility of an access road into the back of Juan Crespi. The access would take traffic off of Hilltop Drive and Manor Road and out of the neighborhood around Juan Crespi. I had met Bob Joyce when I started Hilltop and Manor Neighborhood Counsel. He and I discussed a bus turn around and went to Juan Crespi for a physical look around. Bob saw my vision and added his engineering expertise and drew the plans. I had experience with the entities to be involved. The plans were accepted before Pinole could say NO. (Which is what they would have said if I hadn't already sold the idea to the public).

In 1986 I met Hope Scott at the County Supervisors office behind the El Sobrante Library. I think Hope thought I was just another person coming in to complain. Soon she saw I was serious about my community. In 1987 she asked me to join El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee.

I started to see the need for a stronger voice for the county part of El Sobrante Valley. I had heard talk that some thought El Sobrante ought to be a city. But alas the tax base wasn't there. I talked to other cities to find out how they became a city.

I went to Orinda and talked to a nice lady who explained to me how cities were born. At that time Orinda was a township. I learned about Municipal Advisory Committees and that fit the need. With the help of Erica Whiteway, and the County Supervisor the MAC was born. It was fashioned to fit El Sobrante, leaving ESVPZAC intact and other long time committees in the area.

The once started Crime Watch Committee that I helped Walter Wallace get started and I served on after his retirement. That involvement resulted into the Sheriff's sub-station, which is another story.

Through many changes in my life I stuck to PZ. I became the Secretary a few years back and had thoughts of being the Chair person.

I hope, The Redevelopment Plan for the unincorporated El Sobrante area and a tax base will be formed. So one day the City of El Sobrante will rise. I will be watching...

Michael Eakjn



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April 22, 2009

J. R. Bueren, Director
CCC Public Works Dept.
255 Glacier Dr.
Martinez, CA 94553-2333

By Fax & Mail
Fax: 925-313-2333

Re: Lack of a Crosswalk at San Pablo Dam Rd. and Appian Way

Dear Public Works Director,

We have talked to Supervisor John Gioia and his Chief of Staff Terrance Cheung. We have attended and talked to members of the El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council. We support the idea stated by C.O.S. Terrance Cheung that the County Public Works should re-design the intersection at Appian Way and San Pablo Dam Road and get cost estimates of retaining the crosswalks at all 4 of the intersections.

The changes to the San Palo Dam Rd./Appian Way intersection were made without any notification or meetings with area groups and/or residents. That is not right.

For your information, it now takes a total of about 7 minutes to cross San Pablo Dam Rd. at the intersection and cross La Colina Rd. and then cross back over San Pablo Dam Rd. Most pedestrians just ignore the signs about the crosswalk and cross over on the Appian Way side. That takes about 1 minute. We would like to see the crosswalk put back in.

There is also a MAJOR error on site. The County has put up 2 signs on Appian Way showing a red line over a pedestrian and the words – USE Crosswalk with an arrow back toward Appian Way. PROBLEM: I walked back to the nearest intersection which is Garden Rd. and Appian Way to cross Appian Way. BUT, there is no crosswalk at that intersection. In fact, it is a dangerous crossing because of the speed and the number of cars driving in that area.

It turns out that the nearest painted crosswalk across Appian Way is at Santa Rita Rd., over a mile from San Pablo Dam Rd. The County needs to step in and also paint a crosswalk at Garden Rd. and Appian Way.

Please keep us informed when the new design is available for review. You can call me at 510-223-6398 or fax me at 510-758-7697. Thank you.

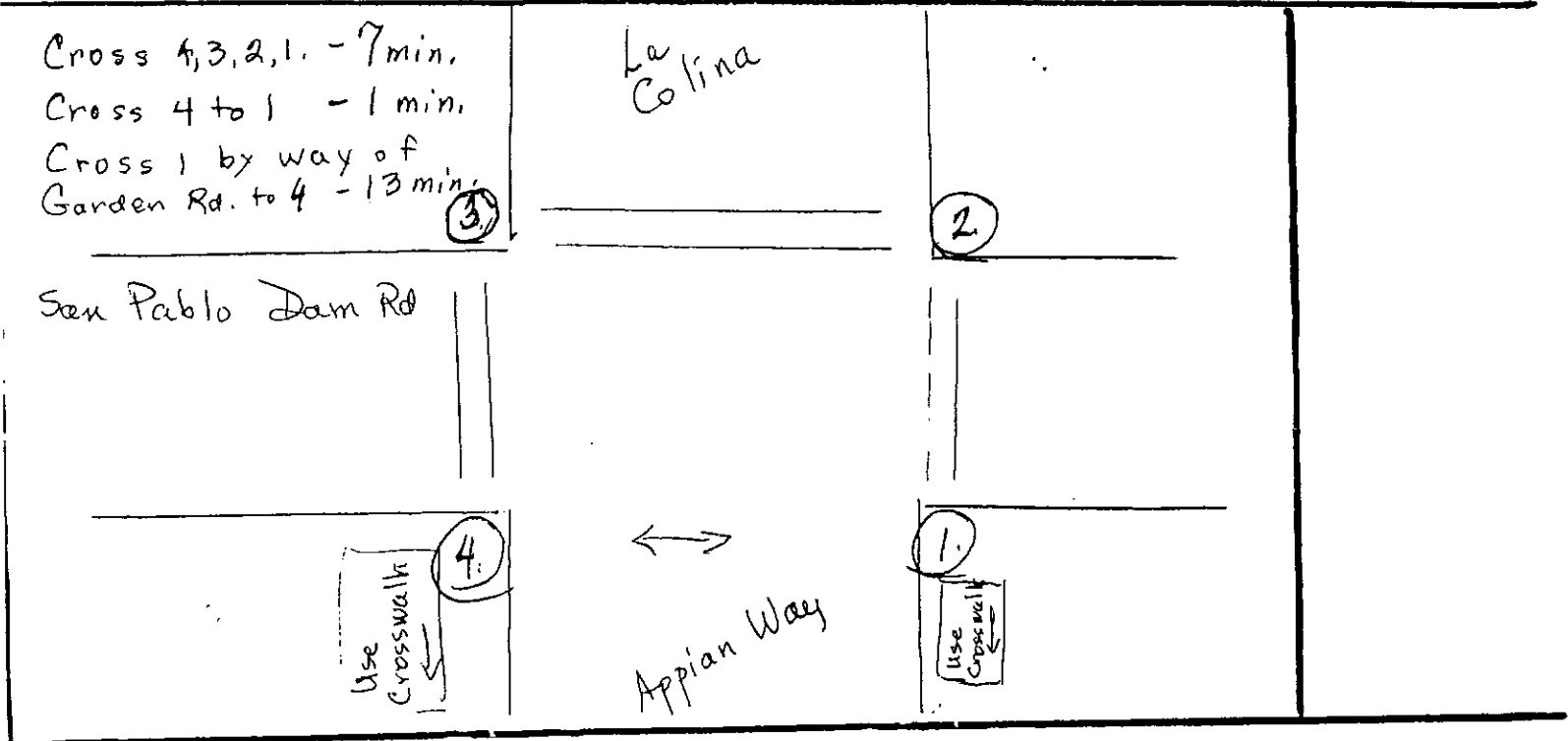
Sincerely,


Eleanor Loynd, Chair ESVP&ZAC

cc: Supervisor Gioia
E.S. Chamber of Commerce

ESMAC
May Valley N. C.

El Sobrante



Timed Crossings at Appian Way/San Pablo Dam Rd.

NOTE: From 4 to Spot 1 Time: 1 minute

Time

From Spot 1 to 2-3-4

Time: 7 minutes

1-2 4 min.

2-3 1 min.

3-4 2 min.

Total: 7 minutes

From Spot 4 to 3-2-1


4-3 1 min.

3-2 2 min.

2-1 4 min.

Total 7 minutes

From: Appian Way corner of San Pablo Dam Rd,

Sign Use Crosswalk 

Corner Appian/Dam Rd 4 min to Garden Rd.

Cross Appian at Garden Rd. 5 min (No crosswalk)

Back to corner Appian/Dam Rd 4 - 13 minutes



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April 13, 2009

City Manager Bill Lindsay
Richmond City Hall
1401 Marina Way South
Richmond, CA 94804

By Fax & Mail
Fax: 620-6542

Re: **The Big Ones**: Why was this man allowed to dump 4 truck loads of dirt and rocks on private property when he had no permission from the owner and no permits and why wasn't the dumper required to remove the rubble?

Dear Bill,

Your oversight is requested in reviewing this problem to see if it meets the usual city standards. A man named Lee Latimore dumped 4 huge loads of dirt and rubble on the open area above Greenridge Drive (see photo). Neighbors called the property owner who said that Latimore did not have permission to dump on the property.

Code Enforcement Officer Teresa Tingle came out. Richmond Police Officer Orlando Johnson was one of several officers who came out at various times. A fire fighter came out to the site. Dumping was done on 3/24, 3/25, 3/19, 4/1. Latimore was back on site for the 5th time on Sat., 4/11 spreading out the rubble.

Questions & Concerns:

1. Since the dumping was done without permits, why wasn't the dumper required to remove the 4 loads of rubble?
2. Was the dumper, Lee Latimore, ticketed by R. police? If not, why not?
3. The dumper, Lee Latimore, was allowed to spread the dumped material over the fire road in the area. Who gave him permission to do that? Did R. police contact the property owners to get permission for him to do that?
4. Did R. City Staff look at the dumped material to determine that it was safe to leave it on site?
5. It is our understanding that the County Fire District is in charge of fire roads in that area. Have they been out to check to see if the graded rubble over the fire road meets the usual standards? The road sign posted on the gate to the area shows # 69-7. Have Richmond fire fighters checked the area?

You can call the neighbor Bill Helsel at 222-2448 and/or you can call me at 510-223-6398. Your help is very much appreciated.

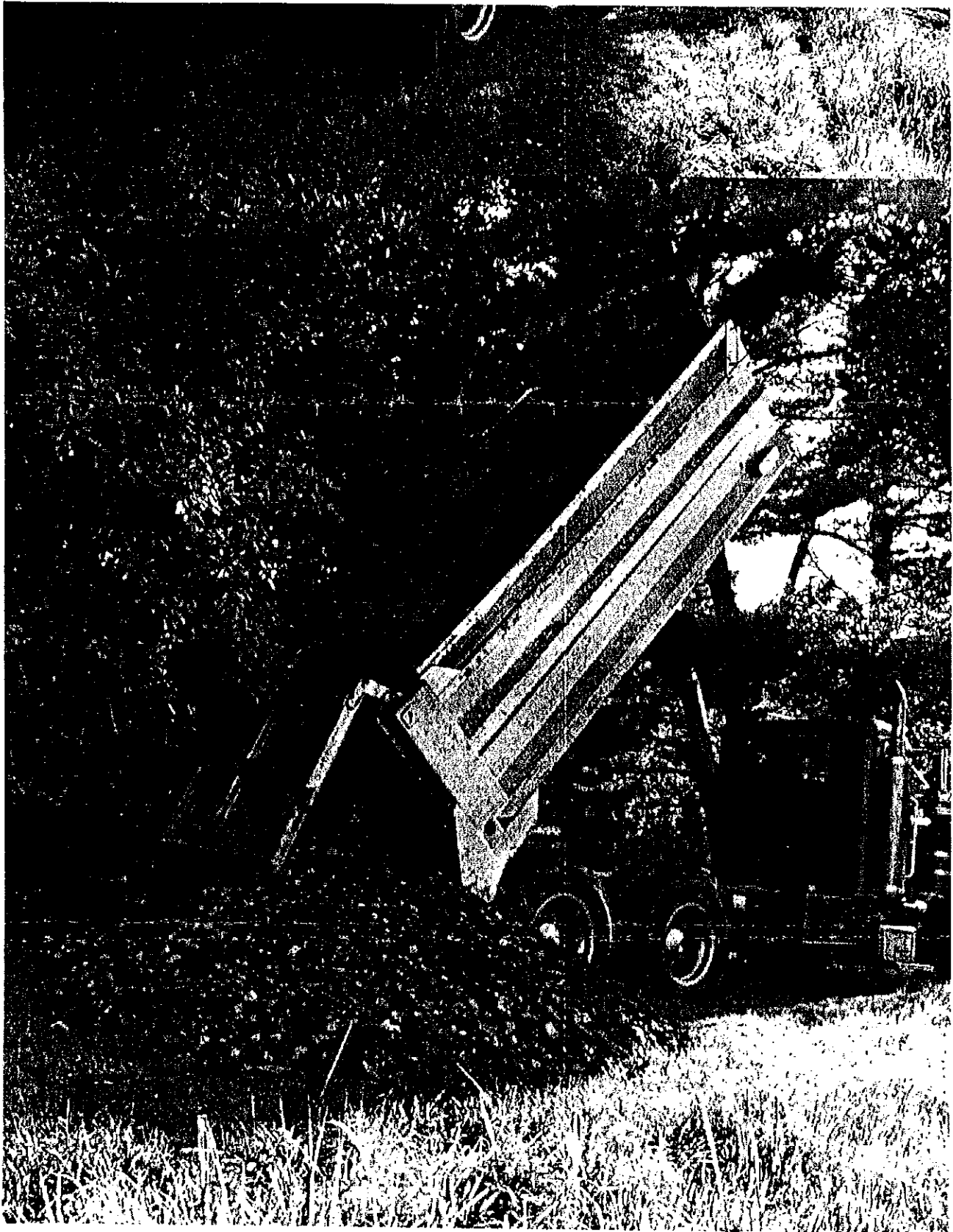
Sincerely


Eleanor Loynd, Chair ESVP&ZAC

cc: R. Fire Chief M. Banks
R. Police Chief Magnus
Mayor Gayle McLaughlin

CCCounty Fire Chief Rupf
Sup. John Gioia
ESMAC

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PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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April 13, 2009

Catherine Kutsuris, Director
Conservation & Development Dept.
CCC Administration Bldg.
651 Pine St., 4th floor
Martinez, CA 94553

By Fax & Mail
Fax: 925-335-1222

Re: RZ05-3161, MS05-0022. Rezone property to R-10 and subdivide 1.83 acre lot into 3 parcels at 5574 Amend Rd., El Sobrante

Dear Catherine,

We have had no recent information about this project. If this project does move forward, we ask that any decisions be delayed until we have time to talk with the applicants and owners. We do support the Staff recommendation that the application be denied at this time.

These proposed 3 parcels would be off of a cul-de-sac which is part of Amend Road. Before any more parcels are added with connection to the cul-de-sac, the County needs to get the details—how wide is the cul-de-sac, how many existing parcels exit and enter at that location, should a pedestrian walkway be required, and who is responsible for the maintenance of the cul-de-sac.

You are welcome to call me at 510-223-6398 or fax me at 510-758-7697.
Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Loynd
Eleanor Loynd,
Chair ESVP&ZAC

cc: Planner Jennifer Cruz
Sup. John Gioia

ESMAC
C.O.S. Terrance Cheung



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PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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April 18, 2009

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Ruben Hernandez, Planner
CCC Admin. Bldg.
Dept. of Con. & Development
651 Pine St., 4th floor NORTH
Martinez, CA 94553

By Fax & Mail
Fax: 925-335-1222

Re: PR09-0001. Planned 43 parcels at 1255 Castro Ranch Rd.,
El Sobrante. Rancho Verde Development

Dear Ruben,

The contact person for New CA Properties, Inc., Rick Boysal, met with us to review the tentative plans for 43 homes on the 20 acre Naphan Ranch. We have a lot of concerns and requests for information if this application moves ahead. These comments are from information at our meeting of April 9th as well as the County's meeting of April 8th.

Layout and Grading

The following features of the preliminary grading plan lead to the conclusion that too many units are being planned and that the nature of the parcel is such that a lower density is called for in order to reduce the impacts of excessive grading:

- Excessive grading, as evidenced by the over 21,000cy of export required
- Rear yard retaining walls are necessary for more than half of the 43 units.
- The County creek setback is not being observed in order to develop 11 lots along the creek.
- The vertical grade of the main project road is 12%, which is steep for a residential street. A report from the Fire Dept. should be required to show that fire engines can climb up the steep road.
- The project road exceeds the standard for a cul-de-sac. The applicant stated that he had talked to the rep of the adjacent Dame property and that they were willing to allow the Rancho Verde EVA road to cross their property. However, there is no approval yet for the Dame property. That idea should not be accepted as a definite part of the project.

Traffic and Access

There is no indication of any improvements to the existing road fronting the property. This road (Castro Ranch Road) is heavily traveled by motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians. Projects to the northeast of this property were required to make significant improvements as a condition of development. This project will add nearly 1,000 trips per day to the road, together with additional bike and pedestrian activity. The project should be required to:

- Dedicate additional right-of-way as may be necessary to facilitate widening
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| for: Pedestrian pathways/sidewalks | Bicycle lanes in both directions |
| Left turn channelization | Center divider |
| Acceleration/deceleration lanes at the project entrance | |



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PLANNING & ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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-The project is well within the distance criteria to a school (Olinda School) that would, under County standards, mandate sidewalk construction extended from the westerly end of the project to Amend Road, with improvements to the Castro Ranch Road/Amend Road intersection to facilitate safe crossing.

-Currently, informal access is available across this parcel and an adjacent parcel to the west between Castro Ranch Road and East Bay Regional Park property at Kennedy Grove. Project streets are proposed to be private, and would not allow this access to continue. It is in the public interest to provide this linkage, since it is currently available and there would be additional value in that it would like Kennedy Grove and Sobrante Ridge open space lands. The project should be required to dedicate this access as a public easement over the private streets.

-Detailed information is needed to provide information on any plans to widen Castro Ranch Road. History of the roadway needs to be reviewed to determine if the road can be widened. There have been routine replacements over the years where many areas of Castro Ranch Road have slumped down and had to be replaced.

Environmental Impact Report

-We request that an environmental impact report be required to provide information on problems mentioned. Information is also needed about the wildlife in the area. Are there Alameda whipsnakes in the area? At one time, we were told that the Aleutian Canada geese came to this area yearly. Information is needed about the stability of the property and the location of any landslides. It is our understanding that the sewer line on Castro Ranch Road will need to be replaced.

Please provide information on this project if it moves forward. We request that copies of staff reports be sent to us and that we be notified of planned meetings. You are welcome to call me at 510-223-6398 if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Loynd
Chair ESVP&ZAC

cc: Ricky Boysal
Greenbriar N.C.
Sup. John Gioia

CHNorth HOA
ESMAC
Richmond Plan. Dir. R. Mitchell

April 14, 2009

Ms. Barbara Pendergrass
El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council
3769B San Pablo Dam Road
El Sobrante, CA 94803

RE: Naphan Ranch
1255 Castro Ranch Road
El Sobrante, CA 94803

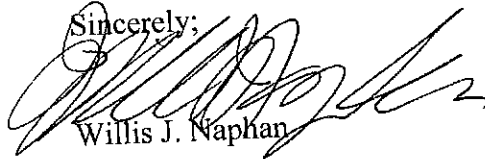
Dear Barbara:

The East Bay Regional Parks District has declined to enter into negotiations to purchase our property that is located at the above referenced address. They indicated to us that the Wang and Carter properties have a higher priority in their acquisition plans. It is possible that they may in contact with the owners of those properties at this time; however I have no proof to that effect. I have enclosed a copy of the letter that we received from Ms. Wu for your review.

On behalf of our entire family I thank you, the members of the council and all of the others who worked so hard to help us work with the Parks District. The formal and informal endorsements from your organization, the El Sobrante Valley Planning & Zoning Advisory Committee, Supervisor Gioia's office and the numerous home owners' associations were very helpful and inspirational. We are very grateful. I hope that your hip surgery went well and that you are well down the road to a swift and total recovery.

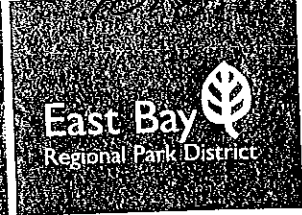
We may not be finished yet. I have been in contact with Mr. Linus Eukel of the Muir Heritage Land Trust. He has expressed some interest however he has not yet visited the site. We will also contact the California Coastal Conservancy.

Thank you again; we're not finished yet.

Sincerely;

Willis J. Naphan

Willis J. Naphan
5130 Alhambra Valley Road
Martinez, CA 94553-9773

Cell Phone: (510) 867-5098
e-mail: wnaphan@pacbell.net or naphanengr@aol.com



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April 2, 2009

Willis Naphan
151 Callen Avenue, Suite 215
San Leandro, CA 94577-4536

Re: 1255 Castro Ranch Road, El Sobrante

Dear Mr. Naphan:

Thank you for contacting the East Bay Regional Park District regarding a potential purchase of your property, Naphan Ranch, located at 1255 Castro Ranch Road in El Sobrante. Recent letters and phone calls demonstrate strong local support for a District purchase of additional lands in the Sobrante Ridge Regional Park/Kennedy Grove Regional Recreation Area.

Staff has thoroughly reviewed our Master Plan goals, Measure WW projects and other available funding. Unfortunately, although Naphan Ranch contains beautiful open space, acquisition of your property currently is not a high priority for the Park District. Other properties in the area which are immediately adjacent to our parks would provide a more immediate public benefit and would be a better fit within the regional park and trail system.

We appreciate being considered for the acquisition of your property, but unfortunately we are unable to pursue this opportunity. Thank you for considering the East Bay Regional Park District.

Sincerely,


Linda Wu
Right of Way Agent
Land Department
(510) 544-2608
lwu@ebparks.org

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Hi Sherman,

I hope this e-mail finds you well.

At this month's El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council meeting held on April 8th, it was brought to the ESMAC's attention that food vendors are illegally selling fruits and vegetables at several street corners in El Sobrante. Residents want to know if the County can do anything to address the issue.

The corners are:
Marin/Hilltop Drive
Olinda/Castro Ranch Road
La Paloma/Hilltop Drive

Residents say they see the vendors at the sites 7 days a week but are most noticeable on weekends.

Can you advise on some next steps?

I'm ccl'ing both Supervisor Gioia and Barbara Pendergrass, ESMAC's chair, in this e-mail.

Thank you for your time.

Terrance Cheung
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Subj: Re: Illegal Food Vendors
Date: 4/15/2009 3:42:44 P.M. Pacific Standard Time
From: SQuinlan@hsd.cccounty.us
To: TCheu@bos.cccounty.us
CC: jgioi@bos.cccounty.us, RPender970@aol.com, jwiggins@hsd.cccounty.us, rlee@hsd.cccounty.us, wwalker@hsd.cccounty.us

Hi Terrance,

I am referring this matter to the Supervising EHS who covers food safety aspects of illegal food vending, John Wiggins. He will have a staff member investigate. It is very helpful to have complaints called in by constituents. They can do this by calling (925) 692-2500 from 7:30am to 4:30pm, weekdays. This makes it easier for us to find the vendor. Illegal food vendors are also unlikely to have use permits or business licenses issued by the County. DCD's Code Enforcement staff can be reached by calling (877)646-8314. The County business license office can be reached at (925) 957-2890. Furthermore, illegal food vendors are very likely not paying taxes on any prepared foods they sell. The State Board of Equalization for business taxes could also be contacted for complaints, at (510) 622-4100. Illegal food vendors present a very difficult enforcement challenge, since many are undocumented persons whose identity, addresses, and other particulars are also unknown. We can confiscate the food and equipment, but they can be out vending the next day, if their "handlers" keep them supplied. Thus, a concerted effort by all responsible agencies can make this a much easier task, and can make our efforts more likely to succeed. Thanks for asking.

Sherman

Sherman Quinlan, REHS, MPH
 Director of Environmental Health
 2120 Diamond Blvd., Ste. 200
 Concord, California 94520
 Voice: (925) 692-2558
 Fax: (925) 692-2502

Terrance Cheung <TCheu@bos.cccounty.us>

04/15/2009 02:58 PM

SQuinlan@hsd.cccounty.us

To

RPender970@aol.com, jgioi@bos.cccounty.us

cc

Subject

Illegal Food Vendors

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Subj: **El Sobrante: Former ESMAC Member, Bruce King, dies from beating**
Date: 4/20/2009 8:09:38 A.M. Pacific Standard Time
From: mellander@sbcglobal.net
To: mellander@sbcglobal.net, RPender970@aol.com

El Sobrante beating victim dies

By Karl Fischer
West County Times
4/17/2009

http://www.contracostatimes.com/contracostacounty/ci_12167588

An El Sobrante man who was severely beaten during an apparent robbery of his home died Friday morning from his injuries, authorities reported. A suspect held in the case now faces a murder charge.

An emergency call directed Contra Costa sheriff's deputies to a home in the 2400 block of May Road the morning of April 5, sheriff's spokesman Jimmy Lee said.

"They found the victim inside, bleeding and unconscious," Lee said. "He had been beaten severely on the head, and was taken to (a regional trauma center) in critical condition."

Investigators say someone apparently broke into the home of 55-year-old Bruce King to burglarize it or to rob him. They apparently surprised him, Lee said, resulting in a violent struggle.

"Several items were taken from the home," Lee added.

While King clung to life at the hospital, detectives pursued leads in the case. They initially thought King might have advertised some goods for sale on the Internet, attracting his assailant, but that theory did not pan out.

They then developed evidence linking 45-year-old El Sobrante resident Raymond Gardner to the crime, Lee said. They arrested Gardner on April 8 and booked him into County Jail in Martinez on suspicion of attempted murder.

Upon King's death, the Contra Costa District Attorney's Office amended its charges. Gardner now faces charges of murder, assault with a deadly weapon, burglary, robbery and theft.

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ON PLANNING MATTERS**

EL SOBRANTE AREA

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 28, 2009, at 11:00 am, in the County Administration Building, 651 Pine Street, (Corner of Pine and Escobar Streets), Martinez, California, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider the following planning matter:

JOHN & JERILYN HORNYAK – (Applicants, Owners, and Appellants), County File #VR08-1008 – This is a hearing on an appeal filed by John & Jerilyn Hornyak of the County Planning Commission to deny a variance permit application request to allow a 1-foot side yard (minimum 5 feet required) and an 11-foot aggregate side yard (minimum 15-feet required) for a proposed (existing) deck addition. To comply with building code standards, additional deck-related improvements may be proposed immediately adjacent to the side property line. Such improvements may alter the side yard parameters to a zero-foot side yard and a minimum aggregate side yard of 10 feet for the proposed deck addition.

The location of the subject property is within the unincorporated territory of the County of Contra Costa County, State of California, generally identified below (a more precise description may be examined in the Office of the Director of Community Development, County Administration Building, Martinez, California):

The subject site is located at #4202 Foster Lane, in the El Sobrante area (Assessor Parcel No. 425-130-026).

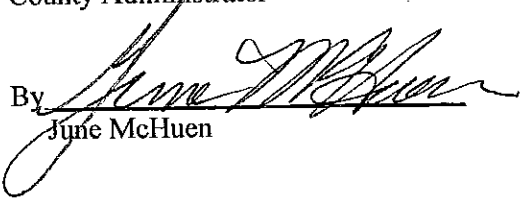
This project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

If you challenge this matter in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the County at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Prior to the hearing, Community Development Division staff will be available on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 10:30 am, in Room 108, Administration Building, 651 Pine Street, Martinez, to meet with any interested parties in order to (1) answer questions; (2) review the hearing procedures used by the Board; (3) clarify the issues being considered by the Board; and (4) provide an opportunity to identify, resolve, or narrow any differences which remain in dispute. If you wish to attend this meeting with staff, please call Francisco Avila at 925-335-1266, Community Development Division, by 3:00 pm on Monday, April 27, 2009 to confirm your participation.

Date: April 14, 2009

David Twa, Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors and
County Administrator

By 
June McHuen

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~ CANCELLED ~

COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2009
ROOM 107 - COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
PINE AND ESCOBAR STREETS, MARTINEZ

CHAIR: Michael Murray
VICE-CHAIR: Len Battaglia
COMMISSIONERS: Richard Clark, Carmen Gaddis, Don Snyder, Marvin Terrell, Hyman Wong

NOTICE: Commission may change the order of items on the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

No new items involving the opportunity for public hearing will be considered by the Commission after 10:00 P.M. unless specifically authorized by a unanimous vote of the Commission present. The Commission will adjourn at 10:30 P.M. unless there is a unanimous consent to continue. Items not heard may be rescheduled to the next meeting.

The Community Development Division of the Department of Conservation and Development will provide reasonable accommodations to those persons needing translation services and for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in County Planning Commission meetings. Please contact Hiliana Li at least 48 hours before the meeting at (925) 335-1203.

**** 7:00 P.M. ****

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
2. STAFF REPORT:
3. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:
4. COMMUNICATIONS:

PLEASE NOTE: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION WILL BE ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009.

Staff reports prepared for hearing items may be obtained by calling the Community Development Division at (925) 335-1210 or by visiting our office at 651 Pine Street, 2nd floor, north wing, Martinez, California. Environmental Impact Reports have been prepared for each of the agenda items indicated by an asterisk (*).

Any disclosable public records related to an open session item on a regular meeting agenda and distributed by the Community Development Division to a majority of members of the County Planning Commission less than 72 hours prior to that meeting are available for public inspection at the Community Development Division of the Department of Conservation and Development, 651 Pine Street, 2nd Floor-North Wing, during normal business hours.

Recordings of this hearing are available for reviewing or copying purposes at the Community Development Division of the Department of Conservation and Development, 651 Pine Street, 2nd Floor-North Wing, during normal business hours. We are open continuously from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Advance arrangements may be made by calling (925) 335-1210.

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2009
McBRIEN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ROOM 107
PINE & ESCOBAR STREETS
MARTINEZ, CA

1:30 P.M.

NOTICE: The Zoning Administrator may alter the order of agenda items at the meeting.

The Community Development Division of the Department of Conservation and Development will provide reasonable accommodations to those persons needing translation services and for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in Zoning Administrator meetings. Please contact Debbie Sittser at least 48 hours before the meeting at (925) 335-1218.

- 1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
- 2. DETERMINATION OF EASEMENT RIGHTS:

LAND USE PERMIT: CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING

- 3. GLOBAL AUTO ENGINEERING and TONY SINGH (Applicant) – EDWIN and MARION ALLARD (Owners), County File LP042009: The applicant requests approval of a Land Use Permit to do major auto repairs, conduct a truck and trailer rental business (U-Haul) within a fenced vehicle storage yard, and sell used cars on an existing developed property previously approved for a service station (Land Use Permit 128-72); and a determination on discontinuance of a (gasoline) service station use authorized by Land Use Permit File #128-72, granted in 1972. The subject site is on a .91-acre parcel located at 476-478 Appian Way in the El Sobrante area. (R-B) (CT: 3630.00) (Parcel #426-261-057) (Closed for decision 4/6/09: AMB). MTH
- 4. JAMES LINNEHAN (Applicant & Owner), County File #LP08-2031: The applicant is requesting approval of a Land Use Permit and Development Plan to legalize two studio apartments within an existing commercial building, for a total of three dwelling units at the site. A new second-story balcony is also proposed along Loring Avenue. The applicant is requesting variances to the off-street parking and setback requirements as follows: 4 parking spaces proposed (minimum 6 parking spaces required), 6" side yard setback (minimum 5' side yard setback required), and a 0' front yard setback (minimum 20' front yard setback required), for the construction of the proposed parking improvements on a substandard lot. The subject site is located at 733 Loring Ave. within the Crockett area. (RB/R6) (GP: CO/ML) (CT 3570) (Parcel #354-092-003) (Closed for decision 4/6/09: AMB). FA

SCOPING SESSION: PUBLIC HEARING

- 5. TRES VAQUEROS WINDFARMS, LLC (Applicant) – CONTRA COSTA WATER DISTRICT, EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT, VAQUERO FARMS CONSERVATION, LLC (Owners), County File #LP092005: This is a scoping meeting for the environmental impact report for the Tres Vaqueros Windfarm Repowering Project. The applicant requests approval of a land use permit to allow repowering of an existing windfarm by removing 85 obsolete turbines and replacing them with up to 42 modern turbines. The project also involves construction of a new underground electrical collection system and new turbine access roads. The project site is approximately 1,500 acres located between Vasco Road and Los Vaqueros Reservoir, in the Byron area. (GP: AL, PR, WS) (A-2, A-3) (CT: 3551.04) (Parcel # 005-090-006, 005-090-007, 005-090-008, 005-100-004, 005-100-005, 005-150-002, 005-150-003, 005-150-004, 005-160-001, 005-160-004, 005-160-005, 005-170-006). WRN

MINOR SUBDIVISION: PUBLIC HEARING

- 6. HUMANN COMPANY (Applicant), MARK & KAREN ROLANDELLI (Owners), County File #MS080002: The applicant requests approval of a vesting tentative map to subdivide a 1.20-acre residential parcel into two standard parcels. The property is located at 3108 Teigland Road in the Pleasant Hill area. (R-20) (CT: 3260.00) (Parcel #169-032-008). LSV

LAND USE PERMIT: PUBLIC HEARING

7. JEFF TAMAYO (Applicant & Owner), County File # LP08-2052: The applicant is seeking approval of a land use permit to allow the establishment of a winery/wine tasting room and related special events. This land use permit also includes a request to allow the sale of wine at the premises. The site is located at 11640 Byron Highway, in the Brentwood area. (A-40) (CT: 3031) (Parcel # 011-130-014). TM

MODIFICATION: DEVELOPMENT PLAN: PUBLIC HEARING

8. RICH ZAVALA (Applicant & Owner), County File #DP013047MD: A request for approval of a major modification to County File #DP013047. Modifications include changes to the building design, site plan and landscaping plan. The modified plans are for a 5,088 square foot, 2-story office building with variances to the off-street parking requirements. The property is located at 125 Aspen Drive in the Pacheco area. (O-1) (GP: OF) (CT: 3212) (Parcel # 125-140-005). RLH

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9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MINOR SUBDIVISION: PUBLIC HEARING

10. MANINDER AND THAJINDER JOHAL (Applicants & Owners), County File #MS050022: The applicant requests approval of a tentative map to subdivide a 1.83 acre lot into three parcels. The subject property is located at 5574 Amend Road in the El Sobrante area. (R-10/A-2) (GP: SH) (CT: 3601) (Parcel # 433-300-006). JRC

REZONING: PUBLIC HEARING

11. MANINDER AND THAJINDER JOHAL (Applicants & Owners), County File # RZ053161 & MS050022: The applicant is requesting approval to rezone the subject property to R-10. The subject property is located at 5574 Amend Road in the El Sobrante area. (R-10/A-2) (GP: SH) (CT: 3601) (Parcel # 433-300-006). JRC

LAND USE PERMIT: PUBLIC HEARING

12. MARTY OCHOA (Applicant) – MARTY & BARBARA OCHOA (Owners), County File #LP092007: The applicant requests approval of a land use permit for a home occupation to conduct the administrative activities of a concession stand business from within a single-family residence located at 1170 Veale Avenue, in the Martinez area. (R-6) (GP: SH) (CT: 3190.00) (Parcel # 375-260-030). TBH

DEVELOPMENT PLAN: PUBLIC HEARING

13. JOHN PARKER (Applicant & Owner), County File #DP08-3076: A request for design review approval of a development plan to allow an addition to an existing rear deck (already built) on a substandard lot for the purposes of determining neighborhood compatibility. The proposed deck structure includes a recessed spa area and stairs/ramps used for access to the property's side yard and existing boat dock. The subject property is located at 4985 Discovery Point in the Discovery Bay area. (F-1) (GP: SM) (CT: 3040) (Parcel # 004-061-006). SFT

MODIFICATION: LAND USE PERMIT: PUBLIC HEARING

14. AT&T SERVICES (Applicant) – DON BRUZZONE (Owner), County File #LP072079M: The applicant requests approval to modify conditions of approval of Land Use Permit LP072079 that allows administrative office, warehouse use, and an outdoor storage area. The modifications are to allow additional time to remove some objects from the site and fence improvements. The subject property is located at 4501 Pacheco Boulevard in the Martinez area. (L-1) (CT: 3200.01) (Parcel #380-042-016). LSV

PLEASE NOTE: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR WILL BE ON MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009.

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009
McBRIEN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ROOM 107
PINE & ESCOBAR STREETS
MARTINEZ, CA

1:30 P.M.

NOTICE: The Zoning Administrator may alter the order of agenda items at the meeting.

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1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

2. DETERMINATION OF EASEMENT RIGHTS:

VARIANCE: CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING

- 3. JAYANTILAL PATEL (Applicant & Owner), County File #VR051122. A request to obtain approval for: (1) a variance for a three story addition to an existing three story residence, where a maximum of 2 1/2 stories are allowed; (2) a tree permit to remove 14 code-protected trees and work within the canopy of one code-protected tree. The subject site is located at 140 South Court in the Alamo area. (R-20) (GP: SL) (CT: 3440.00) (Parcel #198-280-001) (Continued from 3/9/09: RHD). DTH

LAND USE PERMIT: PUBLIC HEARING

- 4. EAST CONTRA COSTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Applicant & Owner), County File #LP082041: A request for approval of a land use permit to modify County file #2062-86 to legalize seven buildings/structures (already built) for use as part of an existing museum on a substandard sized lot. The project also includes variance requests to allow 1) 9-foot side yard setback for the resource building (minimum 25-feet required); 2) 24-foot side yard setback for a school house (minimum 25-feet required); 3) a 6-foot rear yard setback for a shed (minimum 25-feet required); 4) a gravel surfaced parking lot (asphalt or Portland cement required); and 5) an unmarked parking lot (marked parking spaces required). The subject site is located at 3890 Sellers Avenue in the Knightsen area. (A-3) (GP: AL/AC) (CT: 3031.00) (Parcel #015-010-069). SFT

MODIFICATION: DEVELOPMENT PLAN: PUBLIC HEARING

5.

- BRUCE D. COREY (Applicant & Owner), County File #DP083014: The applicant requests approval of an amended development plan to construct a detached two story duplex where a four-unit apartment complex and a single-family residence already exist. The property is located at 427 Rincon Avenue in the Multi-family Residential Districts of the El Sobrante area of the County. (M-17 and R-7) (CT: 3630) (Parcel # 426-270-030). RMP

6.

- EARL COMBS (Applicant & Owner), County File #DP093006: The applicant seeks approval of a modification to an approved development plan (County File # 3016-78) to convert a portion of an existing office building into one single family dwelling unit. The project also includes a variance to allow eight (8) off-street parking spaces (minimum 12 spaces required). The subject property is located at 420 Pebble Drive in the unincorporated area of El Sobrante. (R-7/R-B) (GP: CO) (CT: 3630.00) (Parcel #425-091-010). SFT

3:30

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

DEVELOPMENT PLAN: PUBLIC HEARING

8. CECIL LEE (Applicant) - GREG AND MEG SHEAN (Owners) County File #DP083022: This is a request for approval of a Kensington Design Review development plan to construct an approximately 559 square foot addition. The proposed development exceeds the gross floor area threshold by 770 square feet, where the threshold for this property is 2,300 square feet. This proposal includes a request for variances from the primary, side yard setback for the proposed addition and off-street parking requirement. The variance requests are: (1) 4 feet 4 inches side yard setback (where 5 feet is required) for the addition; (2) 3 stories (where 2 ½ stories are permitted); and (3) 0 feet front yard setback (where 20 feet is required) and 2 feet side yard setback (where 5 feet is required) for the off-street parking requirement. The subject site is located at 237 Colgate Avenue in the Kensington area. (R-6, TOV, -K) (GP: SH) (CT: 3920.00) (Parcel # 570-192-020). JRC

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NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, April 8, 2009, 1:30 PM

PLACE: Board of Supervisors Chambers
651 Pine Street, Martinez, CA 94553

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Notice of Intent to Waive Protest Proceedings

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Public Comment Period (please observe a three-minute time limit):
 Members of the public are invited to address the Commission regarding any item that is not scheduled for discussion as part of this Agenda. No action will be taken by the Commission at this meeting as a result of items presented at this time.
5. Approval of Minutes for the March 11, 2009 meeting

CONSENT ITEMS

6. LAFCO 09-01 - Wood Annexation to County Service Area (CSA) L-100: proposed annexation of 0.5 acres+ located at 1370 and 1380 Dewing Lane in unincorporated Walnut Creek (APN 184-110-076).
7. LAFCO 09-02 - Ericson Annexation to County Service Area (CSA) L-100: proposed annexation of 1.05 acres+ located at 4976 Myrtle Drive in unincorporated Concord (APN 116-110-038).

MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEWS/SPHERE OF INFLUENCE ITEMS

8. **Fire and Emergency Medical Services MSR** - The Commission will be asked to accept the MSR and make determinations relating to the following agencies: cities of El Cerrito, Pinole and Richmond, County Service Area EM-1, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (FPD), Crockett-Carquinez FPD, East Contra Costa FPD, Kensington FPD, Moraga-Orinda FPD, Rodeo-Hercules FPD, and San Ramon Valley FPD.
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INFORMATIONAL

10. Commissioner Comments and Announcements
11. Newspaper Articles
12. Staff Announcements
 - Pending Projects
 - Legislative Update

ADJOURNMENT

Next regular LAFCO meeting - May 13, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

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April 2, 2009

TO: County Administrator
 Each City Manager
 Each Independent Special District Manager

FROM: Lou Ann Texeira, LAFCO Executive Officer 

SUBJECT: **Proposed FY 2009-10 LAFCO Budget**

On March 11, the Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) approved the proposed FY 2009-10 LAFCO budget. The proposed LAFCO budget and LAFCO staff report were previously sent to all local agencies and are available on the LAFCO website at www.contracostalafco.org.

The FY 2009-10 proposed budget reflects an overall decrease of approximately 5% as compared to the FY 2008-09 budget. The decrease is primarily attributable to reductions in Salary and Benefits (i.e., workers comp rates and retirement contributions), and in Services with the completion of a number of special projects and baseline municipal service reviews (MSRs).

The LAFCO budget, as proposed, enables the Commission to perform its core responsibilities under State law, including ongoing work to complete baseline MSRs and sphere of influence updates.

The Commission recognizes the economic realities and the severe fiscal constraints on local government. LAFCO exercises fiscal prudence through outsourcing and centralizing various services and activities; facility and resource sharing; and use of available fund balance to offset costs to contributing agencies. LAFCO will continue to look for ways to economize.

The Commission will consider adopting the Final LAFCO Budget on May 13, 2009. Following approval of the Final Budget, the County Auditor will allocate the proportionate cost for each local agency based on the procedures set forth in Government Code Section 56381.

If you have questions or comments regarding the proposed FY 2009-10 LAFCO budget or other LAFCO matters, please contact the LAFCO office.

c: Each Member of the Commission
 Stephen Ybarra, County Auditor-Controller



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NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR SPECIAL MEETING

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, April 22, 2009, 9:30 AM

PLACE: Board of Supervisors Chambers
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- 7. Consolidations and Property Tax Allocation

INFORMATIONAL

- 8. Commissioner Comments and Announcements
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WEST CONTRA COSTA INTEGRATED
WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Regular Meeting Agenda
April 9, 2009
7:00 p.m.

San Pablo City Hall
City Council Chambers
1 Alvarado Square (13831 San Pablo Avenue)
San Pablo, CA 94806

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Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on items that are within the jurisdiction of the Authority. Comments by the public pertaining to items listed in this Agenda should be made at the time the item is considered by the Board of Directors. Please note this Agenda contains an item for the Public to address the Board on non-agenda matters. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes and may speak only once under each agenda item. The Board of Directors may waive these provisions. If you desire to address the Board, please submit your request on a Speaker's Card available from the Secretary.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Chair will call the meeting to order and the Secretary will call the roll to establish the presence of a quorum.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chair or a Member of the Board will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS DISCLOSURES

The Chair of the Board will ask if any Director(s) has an ex parte disclosure, pursuant to the Authority's Ex Parte Communications Policy, on any agenda items.

10-17-09

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Receipt of public comment on non-agenda matters.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

5.0 February 12, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes

Consideration of ADOPTION OF A MOTION to approve the subject minutes. *Note: To vote on the adoption of minutes does not require a Director to have been present at the subject meeting.*

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed in the Consent Calendar will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of the items listed. However, upon request by a member of the Board or the Public, items will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately in the order they appear on the agenda.

6.0 No Consent Calendar Items

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

7. STAFF REPORT

7.0 Staff Report

Staff will provide an update on recent and upcoming activities.

END OF STAFF REPORT

8. REGULAR AGENDA

8.0 East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD) Food Waste Digester Initiative

Receive a presentation from EBMUD about food scrap recycling program that digests material and generates electricity.

8.1 West County Earth Day Festival

Oral report from staff on the April 25, 2009 Authority sponsored West County Earth Day Festival.

8.2 Election of Board Vice-Chair

- 1. Nomination of candidates and election of Board Vice-Chair for an interim term April 9, 2009 and ending June 30, 2009.

8.3 Appointments to Ad-Hoc Subcommittees and Standing Committees

Consideration of ADOPTION OF MOTION authorizing and directing the Board Chair to:

- 1. Assign Directors to Ad-Hoc Subcommittees and Standing Committees through June 30, 2009
- 2. Assign Chairs to each of the Subcommittees and Standing Committees, and
- 3. Assign replacements, at any time, should an appointed Director be unable to finish a term.

8.4 Green Material Processing Update

- 1. RECEIVE AN ORAL REPORT from Republic Services on a timeline and ability to provide green waste processing and composting at the West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill (WCCSL).
- 2. PRESENT RECOMMENDATIONS of the Green Waste Subcommittee's meeting (March 24, 2009) and REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL to direct staff related to the Subcommittee recommendations.

8.5 Future Organic Processing Options

Receive staff report and consider ADOPTION OF A MOTION directing staff to conduct one or both of the following options:

- 1. Conduct sole-source negotiations with West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill (WCCSL) to process green waste.
- 2. Obtain proposals from qualified companies to process and compost the following materials:
 - a) Green waste;
 - b) Commercial food waste; and,
 - c) A mixture of residential yard trimmings and food waste.

8.6 Keller Canyon Landfill Disposal

Receive staff report on status of solid waste disposal at Keller Canyon Landfill.

10.17.09

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

9. BOARD MEMBER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

INFORMATION ONLY. Announcement of matters of interest by Board Members, Alternate Board Members, Executive Director and General Counsel.

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.0 Adjournment

Consideration of ADOPTION OF A MOTION to adjourn. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2009.



10.15.02

MAY VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

P.O. Box 21551 / El Sobrante, CA 94820-1551

May Valley N. C. NEWSLETTER APRIL 2009 Page 1

GOOD NEWS for the Neighborhood!!

We just recently received the news - We are scheduled for a Community Clean-up on Saturday, May 9th, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. It's been about 3 years since our last one. May Valley Neighborhood Council, El Sobrante Hills N. C., and Greenbriar N. C. are partners in the clean-up. Each group is asked to get volunteers to call in to sign up to help. Call Soco Perez at 620-6512. Volunteers will help direct traffic by Sheldon School. They can also help remove light weight items from cars. The Richmond Sanitary Service will have their staff on site to help and to direct the dumping. No hazardous waste!

Residents over 65 who are unable to bring their throw-aways to the dumpsters may call that same number, Soco Perez at 620-6512, to sign up for assistance. Calls for the service must be received before noon, May 8th. Items to be picked up must be placed at curbside.

Community Meeting on Crime & Safety

About 140 people attended the Community Meeting on Crime & Safety on March 31. In attendance were County Officials: Sup. John Gioia, his Chief of Staff Terrance Cheung, County Sheriff Rupf, County Sheriff Dept. Lieutenant Ron Bradley, County Fire Prevention Tech. Robert Erickson. Richmond Officials: Mayor Gayle McLaughlin, Vice Mayor Ludmyrna Lopez, Richmond Fire Chief Michael Banks, R. Police Captain Anthony Williams, RPD Officer Victor Vaca, and R. Police staff Michelle Milem. CA Highway Patrol: Officer Joe Godman.

Comments were timed and questions from the audience were gathered in writing, with a 2 minute time for the person to answer. R. Fire Chief Banks reported that the automatic aid agreement between Richmond and the County was disrupted a few years ago. In 2006, the auto aid response was reinstated and it is still in effect. Talks with Pinole F.D. may bring them into the auto aid agreement.

At this time, the County has no one assigned to provide information on the Neighborhood Watch Program. Richmond Police staff, Michelle Milem, spoke about the Neighborhood Watch program. You can contact her at 620-6538 if you want information on how to set up the program. Recent robberies in the Fran Way area have moved the neighbors to form a Neighborhood Watch group.

At a recent meeting, RPD Chief Magnus stated that burglaries in Richmond were up 35% over last year. In the past few months, there have been 22 burglaries in the County Clark Road area. Neighbors need to work together to help protect themselves and their neighborhoods.

For Your Information: Here are a few shortened questions & answers.

1. A man in our neighborhood was shooting and killing turkeys. Is that against the law? Shortened Reply: Discharging a weapon is against the law. So, killing the turkeys is against the law.
2. Are there paramedics on both County and Richmond fire engines?
Reply: Yes.

3. We never see police and response time is ridiculous. What do we do to get more patrols? Shortened Reply: RPD is moving a unit into the Hilltop Mall. A RPD Investigative Unit will move into the police unit at the Fire Station on Valley View at Amend Rd. Then RPD will move the trailer at Hilltop Mall to the Richmond area in El Sobrante.
4. What are the Crime Stats in the Richmond part of the E. S. Valley? Reply: In the last 3 months, there were 16 residential burglaries. An extra patrol was sent in. There was an increase in false alarms—up to 48.
5. Does R. or the County offer any classes on protection in the home or hand gun safety? Reply: No, but you could contact a gun club. They often hold safety classes.
6. A few years ago R. Police and County Sheriff's Dept. had different communication systems and therefore, it was hard to get connected fast. Is that still true? Reply: A County-wide communication system is in the works. It would also work with Alameda County.
7. We are installing a recording camera in our back yard. Can that tape of a perp be used to prosecute? Reply: Yes, any image can be used in the investigation.
8. Nearby, several cars were broken into and items stolen. A robbery occurred while women were home on a Sunday evening. What can we do to prevent these crimes? Reply: Know your neighbors. Call the police. Secure your home. Look out for each other.
9. How do you deal with a known "bad seed"? Reply: If there is criminal activity going on, call dispatch and give descriptions. They will send a deputy. You can also sue the property owner under the CA civil code.
10. Do we have a noise ordinance? If not, why not? Reply: There is a law on the books about disturbing the peace. Loud music players can be charged by the police if the complainers will identify themselves and sign a complaint.

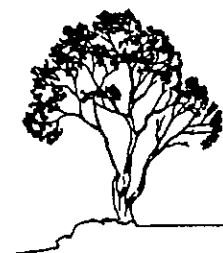
For Your Information: If your questions were NOT answered, you can put them in writing again and send them to the County Sheriff's Dept., the Richmond Police Dept., the CC Fire District, and the R. Fire Dept. We will also send a list of unanswered questions from the meeting to each office.

Contra Costa Fire District
 Fire Chief
 2010 Geary Blvd.
 Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Contra Costa Sheriff Dept.
 Lt. Ron Bradley at Bay Station
 5555 Giant Highway
 Richmond, CA 94806
RBRAD@SO.CCCOUNTY.US

Richmond Fire Chief M. Banks
 Richmond City Hall
 1401 Marina Way South
 Richmond, CA 94804

Richmond Police Dept.
 Capt. Anthony Williams
 1701 Regatta Blvd.
 Richmond, CA 94804



MAY VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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MVNC Meeting of MARCH 26, 2009 - Minutes -Page 2

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order about 7:15 p.m. by Pres. Eleanor Loynd. Bud Uhlenbrock led the flag salute.
2. Minutes of the last Meeting. The minutes of Feb. 26th were approved as written.
3. Treasurer's Report: At this time, we have 325 household memberships at \$10 each and donations totaling \$1644. The balance in the bank is \$9,420.80. Request for approval of expenditures: \$40 for water, cookies, napkins, cards for 3/31 Community Mtg., \$60 for food for the RNCC July mtg. \$20-\$30 for the cost of a shared booth at the E. S. Stroll on Sept. 20th. Expenditures approved. An Expenditure Plan for 2009 was Presented and Approved.
4. Beat Officer's Report: RPD Officer Victor Vaca introduced himself at the meeting. He will be our Beat Officer. We are part of Beat 9 which extends from I-80 to Carriage Hills. He has been with the RPD for 28 years. Crime Stats: 164 calls for service in the MVNC area. 1 residential burglary (last time 11), 2 auto thefts, 2 recovered cars, 2 assaults with a deadly weapon, 20 false alarms. The non-emergency RPD number is 233-1214. You can reach Officer Vaca at vvaca@richmondpd.net Since Officer Vaca works 9:30 pm to 7 am, as a courtesy, we will move our police reports to about 8:30 p.m. on the agenda.
5. A. PROGRAM: De Anza High School Principal Kenneth Gardner introduced himself and shared information with us. The DAHS attendance rate is up to 95%. There are 64 DAHS students attending UC Berkeley. The WCCUSD funds 38 teachers for DAHS and school awarded grants fund 10 more teachers. There are a lot of issues still in discussion with the school district, i.e., class size. There are 968 students on campus. 260 are special education kids. Next year, DAHS is expecting 1,005 students on campus. Students from the closed E.S. Elementary School will be moving to Marie Murphy Elementary School.
- B. PROGRAM: Bill Savidge, WCCUSD Engineer, gave a short report on the district's financial crisis and then provided details on the construction plan for De Anza High School.
 - \$400 million in bonds authorized by the voters for WCCUSD construction plans, but only \$190 million in bonds have been sold.
 - Property values are declining and bonds sales are limited. There is a 2.5% limit on indebtedness because property values are dropping. WCCUSD is asking for a waiver to sell more bonds. The cost of re-building of De Anza High School is set at \$160 million, the highest in district history. We need \$85 to \$100 million in the bank. More bonds will be sold in July.

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More Details of DAHS Construction Plans:

-Construction on the main campus will begin in Nov. 09 and finish in 2014. The district will be using "green building" standards. Utilities will be undergrounded. A signal will be added at Morningisde Dr. and Valley View Rd. No street parking will be allowed on Valley View. Each side of Valley View Road will have a bike lane. Three lanes will lead into the campus with an added signal on Valley View to allow left turns back onto Valley View. Trees will be removed and Wilke Creek will be cleaned up.

-The State Architect is now reviewing the plans which were submitted 2 months ago. Students will be bused out to p.e. activities. There will be no gym on campus for 3 years.

6. Correspondence & Announcements

-Community Mtg. on Crime & Safety, 7-9 p.m. on March 31 at the Boys & Girls Club of El Sobrante, 4660 Appian Way. County Sheriff Rupf, RPD Capt. Anthony Williams, CA Highway Patrol Officer, Sup. Gioia, Mayor McLaughlin, RFChief Banks, and CCC Fire Dept. Rep. will be there to provide info on the upturn in crimes in the area and answer questions.

-List of letters sent and received passed out.

7. Community Reports -

-El Sobrante Valley Planning & Zoning Advisory Committee: The appeal hearing on the approval of the Sikh Temple expansion has been moved into April. A new plan has now been submitted to the County to build 43 homes on the 20 acre Naphan Ranch site at 1255 Castro Ranch Rd.

-Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council: A draft of the Richmond General Plan was to have been released in February. It has been delayed to April. The County recently did a safety audit of Chevron required under the Industrial Safety Ordinance. That report should be discussed at the May 11th RNCC mtg.

8. NEW Business:

- Concern over removal of the pedestrian crossing on Appian Way at San Pablo Dam Rd. To continue walking on the creekside of San Pablo Dam Rd., you must now cross 3 streets to return to the creekside at Appian Way & San Pablo Dam Rd.

9. OLD Business - No concerns at this time.

10. NEXT Meeting: Thursday, April 23 at 7 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes by Substitute Sec. Eleanor Loynd.

The Kiwanis Club Presents

Public Safety Awards

to

Richmond Police Officers & Richmond Fire Fighters

Friday, May 15 at 6 p.m.

at the Masonic Lodge, 5050 El Portal Drive

DINNER: \$30 Contact Sandi at 510-237-5670



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APRIL 23 May Valley N. C. MEETING:

We have invited Michelle Milem, RPD Staff, to our next meeting on Thurs., April 23 to talk about the details of setting up a Neighborhood Watch Group. Our meeting starts at 7:15 p.m., May Valley Community Center, 3530 Morningside Dr., Richmond. This discussion will start around 7:30 p.m. The mtg. is over by 9 p.m.

The County is letting about 56 deputies go. Richmond Police Chief Magnus has stated that no Richmond police officers would be let go. However, this means that Richmond police officers will need to step in more often to help the County deputies. Working with your neighbors to protect your families is a good way to use your muscles and your brain power.

GENTLE GYM - EXERCISE CLASS - Slight Change

The Gentle Gym class at the May Valley Community Center for adults 50 plus (exceptions can be made for younger adults who require "gentle" exercise). The class operates from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. now on Mondays and Wednesdays. Sherry Matthews, a rec leader and medical assistant, is the class leader.

If you have any questions, please call Sherry or Chris Theodorou, Director at 510-620-6890. There are "NO FEES" for Gentle Gym.

FROM VALLEY VIEW SCHOOL



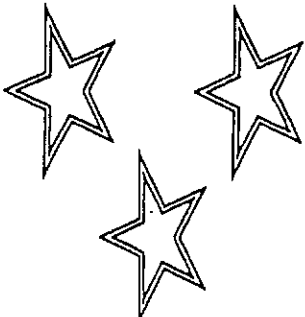
A RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR

Harold Crawford

Date: Saturday, May 16, 2009
Time: 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Hercules Community Center
2001 Refugio Valley Road
Hercules, CA

Tickets: \$25/person
\$10/child under 14
Attire: Dressy Casual
Non Alcoholic Event

Please join us as we celebrate his esteemed career and "33 Years of Service as a Teacher" at a special retirement dinner in his honor.
Dinner, Dancing, Reminiscing



Current and Former Students are guests of Mr. Crawford

For more information, please contact: Eva Sloan at 510. 367.6938 or mrretirement@sbcglobal.net

R.S.V.P. on or before May 1, 2009

Tickets: _____ Adult \$25/person _____ \$10 /Child under 14 _____ Current/Former Student (Complimentary)



April 2009

From City Manager Bill Lindsay:

There's excitement in the air as City Hall employees prepare to move back to the civic center campus situated between Barrett and Macdonald Avenues. The relocation of city employees back into the City Hall building (450 Civic Center Plaza) will be complete by the end of April. Other employees will relocate to the renovated Hall of Justice, renamed 440 Civic Center Plaza, in June. Not only is this the largest capital project ever completed by the City of Richmond, the building is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified building. This means the building contains extensive energy efficient, environmentally friendly, low impact, and sustainable features throughout. While the LEED certification signifies a healthy work environment and sustainable building practices, customized locally-produced art in the building and around the civic center campus creates an inspiring environment and a sense of timelessness for the entire community. We will have a grand reopening for the community in September. In the meantime, feel free to come by and see this renewed focal point and source of pride for the community.

We understand that this move, while a joyous event for the community, is nevertheless against the backdrop of many Richmond residents losing their homes to foreclosure. The City of Richmond is committed to developing and implementing strategies that will help lessen the impact of foreclosures in our neighborhoods.

We also understand that the Richmond unemployment rate is currently at about 15%. The city has already been allocated \$7,000,000 in federal economic stimulus funding, which will provide both short-term construction jobs, help attract new businesses and expand Richmond job training programs. Details of the city's American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) funding allocations and applications can be found on the city's website at www.ci.richmond.ca.us.

A draft of Richmond's 5-year strategic plan has been placed on the city's website as well and will be discussed at community budget meetings in May. Despite these uncertain times, I am confident that the city will remain a reliable and stable force in the community that is committed to continuous service improvement.

William A. Lindsay



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MAY VALLEY, GREENBRIER & EL SOBRANTE HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS FREE DISPOSAL DROP OFF

Sponsored by

The City of Richmond, Richmond Sanitary Services, Sims Metal,
Hi Tech Recycling, May Valley, Greenbrier, & El Sobrante Hills Neighborhood Councils

Saturday, May 9, 2009

Begins at 7:00 a.m. Ends at 11:00 a.m.

or when dumpsters are full.

This is NOT a curbside Collection. Dumpsters will be located at:

**Sheldon Elementary School, 2601 May Road
(Metal & Electronic recycling also at this location)**

Simply bring your disposable items, along with a current Photo I.D. with matching current utility bill or car registration. **Only residents who live within the geographic boundaries of your neighborhood will be allowed to participate.**

Seniors and disabled residents who need assistance or for additional information call Soco Pérez at (510) 620-6512 before May 8, 2:30 p.m.

Volunteers Needed!

To check Photo IDs, direct traffic, etc. Please plan to work a 2-hour shift (No heavy lifting)
To volunteer contact: Soco Pérez at 620-6512

Bring your METAL items for recycling! The metal items will be redeemed for a refund to be applied to your Neighborhood Council.

WILL ACCEPT

*Household Items *Glass *Wood *Clothing
*Chairs *Tables *Couches *Broken Toys *Rugs/
Padding *Yard Waste (please bag) *Mattresses
*Dishwashers *Refrigerators *Ovens/Stoves *Metal
*Box Springs *Bicycles *Small Appliances
*Washers & Dryers *Small Appliances *Electronics
*Televisions *Computers, Monitors, CPU's Laptops
& Peripherals *Microwaves

WILL NOT ACCEPT

*Oil *Bug Spray *Tires *Batteries
*Paint *Oven Cleaner *Propane Tanks
*Fluorescent Lights *Concrete
*For Hazardous Waste Materials call West
County Hazardous Waste at 1-888-412-
9277
(101 Pittsburg Ave., Richmond)

For additional clean-ups through Richmond Sanitary Services, you are allowed two (2) free clean-ups per calendar year. No large or bulky items. The pick up is limited to fifteen (15) 30-35 gallon bags. Please call Richmond Sanitary Services at (510) 262-1610 to schedule your pick up.

NO ILLEGAL DUMPING—VIOLATORS WILL BE CITED!

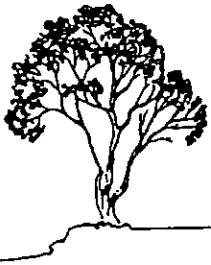
CLEAN-UP DAY

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TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2009
May Valley Community Center
3530 Morningside Drive, Richmond from 7:15 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Tentative Agenda:

1. Call to Order 7:15 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes of 3/26/09
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Program – about 7:30 p.m.
5. Community Reports
6. Correspondence
7. Old Business
8. NEW Business
9. RPD Report: Officer Vaca (8:30 pm)
10. Residents' Concerns

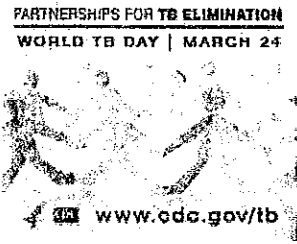
PROGRAM: Meet Michelle Milem,
RPD Staff. Learn about the Neighbor-
hood Watch Program. Do you
want one on your block?

Next MVNC Mtg., Thurs., MAY 28, 2009

MVNC Contact Number: 223-6398

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CONTRA COSTA
HEALTH SERVICES
Public Health Division
Communicable Disease Programs
TUBERCULOSIS REPORT
March 24, 2009 - World TB Day

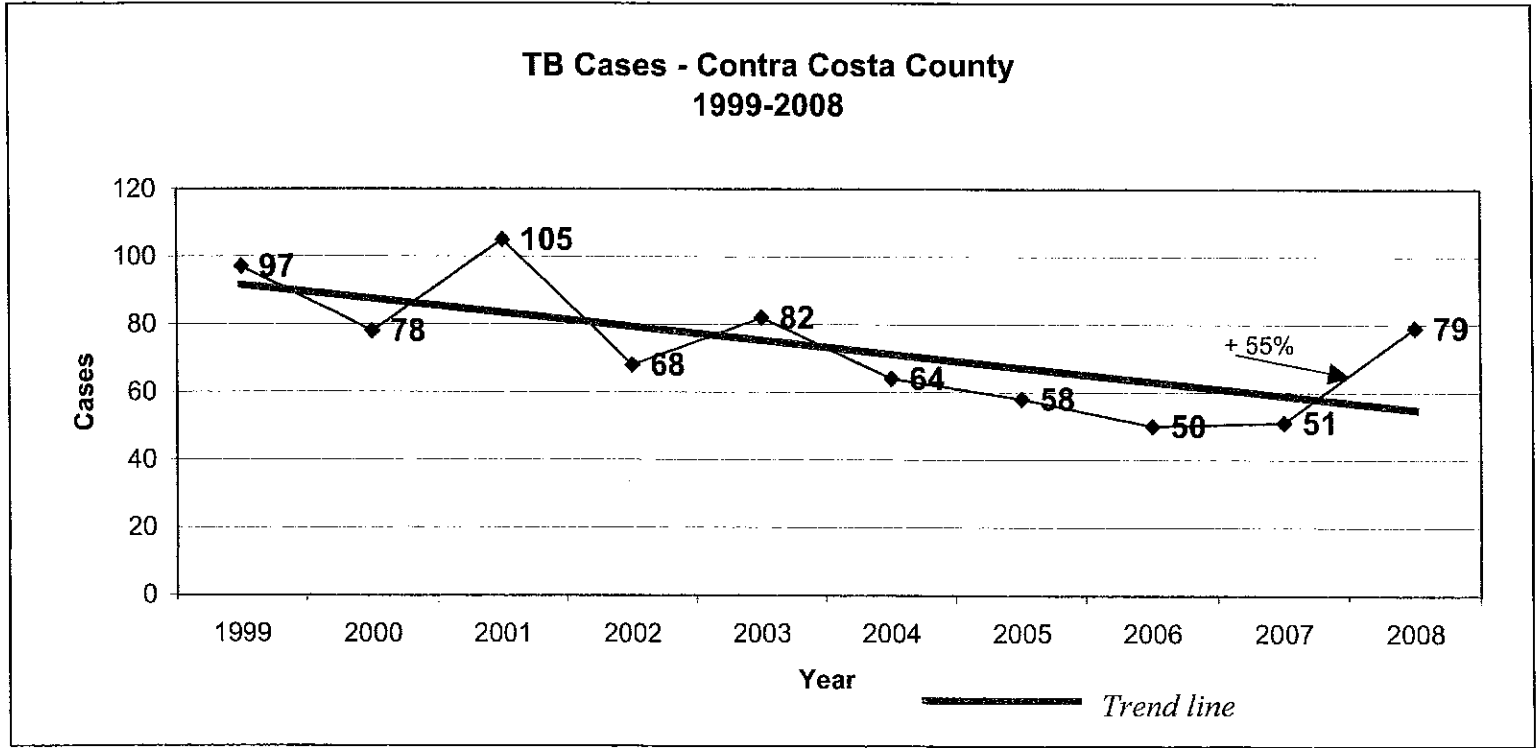


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Significant Increase in TB in 2008

In 2008, there were 79 cases of active tuberculosis (TB) diagnosed in residents of Contra Costa County, an increase of 55% from 2007, when there were 51 cases, and reversing several years of steady decline. Our TB rate increased to 7.5 cases/100,000, 11% higher than the rate for California as a whole (7.0/100,000). (see page 2)



Significant Increase in TB in 2008 (continued)

Of the 79 cases, 55 (70%) were born outside the US (see Table), an increase of 72% since 2007 (32 cases). The greatest increase was in cases from Latin America and Asia. By contrast, US born cases increased 26%.

Increases were seen in all racial and ethnic groups, and in all regions of CCC. In 2008, 39 TB cases resided in West CCC, nearly twice as many as in 2007 (20). Foreign-born cases in West CCC increased fourfold, from 7 in 2007 to 29 in 2008.

For CA as a whole, there were 2,696 TB cases in 2008, a decrease of 1% from 2007 and 25% since 1999. 75% of CA cases were foreign-born. Of the 16 health jurisdictions reporting 40 or more cases in 2008, only 6 others reported increases from 2007 (San Joaquin, Fresno, Kern, San Bernadino and Long Beach).

Internationally, the World Health Organization estimates that there are 9.3 million new TB cases, leading to 1.8 million deaths each year. TB can be easily treated in even the poorest setting, with a 6-month course of multiple medications. Since TB patients become non-contagious rapidly on treatment, treatment equals prevention. TB disproportionately affects our most vulnerable populations. For example, it is the biggest killer of people with AIDS. Yet over half of the world's population does not have access to effective treatment. Due to ineffective or absent TB control programs, global TB rates are not coming down fast enough. Moreover, a new strain of TB, called extensively drug-resistant (XDR) TB, which is very hard to treat, is spreading. Last year, in a highly publicized case, a US patient with MDR TB exposed many passengers on several international flights. Initially he was thought to be an XDR case. TB is truly a disease without borders. Time is running out. It is vital that all countries, rich and poor, work together to control TB, globally and locally, before it's too late to stop XDR.

What can local communities do?

World TB Day is March 24. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Stop TB USA have announced the theme for this year: "Partnerships for TB Elimination". Local governments and community-based organizations can play a vital role in TB control efforts by working with Contra Costa Health Services to promote community awareness of this devastating disease. Educational materials are available from our office.

Too many TB patients are diagnosed late in the course of their disease, often because they don't realize that their cough is serious, or because of lack of access to care. Delayed diagnosis can lead to prolonged illness, prolonged infectiousness, hospitalization and death. Early diagnosis and treatment are essential to control TB. Everyone should be aware of the symptoms so that they can spread the message: *if you think you may have TB, go to a health care provider. Now!*

TB Symptoms : Cough for \geq 3 weeks - Fever - Night sweats - Unintended weight loss

But even for those without any symptoms, people who are at increased risk for TB should get a TB skin test (TST), or one of the new IGRA blood tests for TB. For most people infected with TB, it is in the dormant (latent) stage, which can become active at any time. Although people with latent TB infection are not sick and are not contagious, treatment with isoniazid (INH), a TB drug, for 9 months is usually recommended to prevent the development of active TB.

What can health care providers do?

Think TB. To minimize diagnostic delays, it is vital that providers consider active TB as part of the differential diagnosis of any patient with TB symptoms and compatible radiographic findings, especially if they are at increased risk for TB or known to have latent TB infection. Order 3 sputa for AFB smear and culture. Even if the smears are negative, if TB is a likely diagnosis, consider empiric treatment with 4 drug therapy (INH, rifampin, pyrazinamide, and ethambutol) while cultures are pending. Remember, early TB treatment protects the community, not just the individual patient.

Report TB. CA law (Title 17, CCR, Section 2500) requires that health care providers report to the local health officer in the jurisdiction where the patient resides all cases and suspected cases of TB within one working day of diagnosis. Reports should be made by completing a Confidential Morbidity Report (CMR), and sending it to us by FAX at 925-313-6465. CMR forms are available from our office, by calling 925-313-6740

Targeted Testing and Treatment of Latent TB Infection (LTBI). Providers should routinely test all patients at increased risk of TB with either a TST or an IGRA test, unless previously infected. Patients with a positive test should be further evaluated with a targeted history and physical exam and a CXR. If there is no clinical or radiographic evidence of active TB, treatment of LTBI is generally indicated.

Medical consultation is available from Charles M. Crane, M.D., M.P.H., Medical Director of our TB Program, or one of our other Chest Clinic physicians. Call us at 925-313-6740 for medical consultation and reporting information.

Demographic Characteristics of TB Cases - Contra Costa County, 2005-2008

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(Percentages are rounded off)

	2005 (n=58)	2006 (n=50)	2007 (n=51)	2008 (n=79)
Gender				
Male	33 (57%)	32 (64%)	30 (59%)	50 (63%)
Female	25 (43%)	18 (36%)	21 (41%)	29 (37%)
Age				
0-14 years	2 (4%)	1 (2%)	3 (6%)	4 (5%)
15-24 years	6 (10%)	10 (20%)	5 (10%)	8 (10%)
25-44 years	12 (21%)	16 (32%)	13 (26%)	31 (39%)
45-64 years	27 (47%)	12 (24%)	19 (37%)	19 (24%)
65 + years	11 (19%)	11 (22%)	11 (22%)	17 (21%)
Race/Ethnicity				
White	5 (9%)	4 (8%)	5 (10%)	9 (11%)
African American	9 (16%)	13 (26%)	12 (24%)	15 (19%)
Latino/a	19 (33%)	10 (20%)	12 (24%)	21 (27%)
Asian/PI	25 (43%)	22 (44%)	22 (43%)	34 (43%)
Country of Origin				
US Born	17 (29%)	21 (42%)	19 (37%)	24 (30%)
Foreign Born	41 (71%)	29 (58%)	32 (63%)	55 (70%)
- Philippines	16	7	10	9
- Asia (Other)	9	11	11	24
- Latin America	14	9	10	20
- Other	2	2	1	2
County Region				
West	28 (48%)	16 (32%)	20 (39%)	39 (49%)
Central	15 (26%)	18 (36%)	15 (29%)	18 (23%)
East	15 (26%)	16 (32%)	16 (31%)	22 (28%)
Risk Factor				
Any Substance Abuse	13 (22%)	8 (16%)	9 (18%)	10 (13%)
Homeless	7 (12%)	4 (8%)	3 (6%)	5 (6%)
Drug Resistance				
INH (alone or with others)	4	6	0	9
INH and Rifampin (MDR)	2	0	0	1

TB Risk Factors

Recent immigration from, or travel to, a high incidence region:

- . Central and South America
- . Pacific Islands, including the Philippines
- . Asia, including Southeast Asia, China, India, the former USSR
- . Eastern Europe, Africa

Medical Conditions:

- HIV infection, AIDS
- Diabetes, especially if poorly controlled
- Immunosuppressive therapy, including
 - corticosteroids, cancer chemotherapy,
 - anti-TNF- α agents, post-transplant therapy
- Renal failure, hemodialysis
- Head and neck cancer
- Lymphoma, leukemia

Social/behavioral factors:

- Homelessness
- Street drug use
- Alcoholism
- Smoking

Residential/occupational factors:

- Health care workers, correctional officers
- Patients/residents of hospitals, long-term care facilities, correctional facilities

In-vitro interferon- γ release assays (IGRAs)

IGRAs are blood tests for TB infection. They measure interferon- γ produced in response to the incubation of the blood with antigens derived from a region of the genome of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* that is not present in most non-tuberculous mycobacteria (NTM), including the BCG strain of *M. bovis*. A positive IGRA is therefore more specific for TB infection than a positive TST.

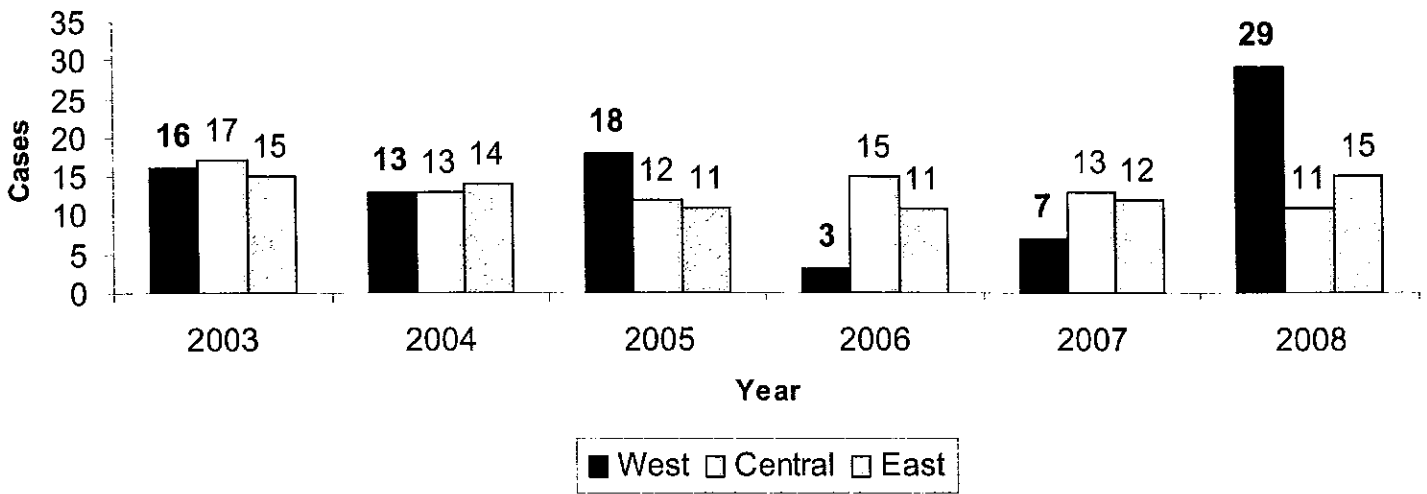
There are now two IGRAs approved by the FDA: QuantiFERON Gold In Tube (QFT), and T-SPOT TB, a new elispot assay. Our Public Health Lab uses the QFT, which is available for selected patients at CCRMC and Clinics.

We recommend that persons who have had a BCG vaccination, including virtually everyone born outside the US, receive an IGRA test, if available, rather than a TST. The CDC plans to issue revised guidelines for the use of IGRA tests in the near future.

For further information about TB,
call the CCHS TB Program at 1-925-313-6740,
or visit our web site www.cchealth.org/topics/tb

Foreign Born Cases by Contra Costa County Region, 2003-2008

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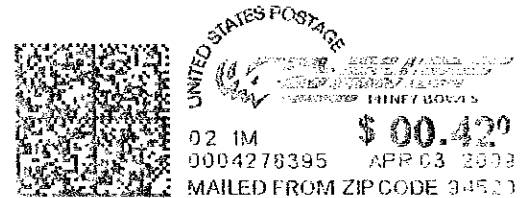


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WORLD TB DAY | MARCH 24



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Municipal Advisory Council Chair
Barbara Pendergrass
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Swine Flu Fact Sheet

Information for People Living in Contra Costa County:

Health officials closed Highlands Elementary School in Pittsburg starting Wednesday, April 29 after preliminary tests indicate three students were infected with swine flu. So far none of the cases appear to be severe. Local health officials are working closely with state and federal health authorities. There have been cases of swine flu in California. All of those cases have been mild to moderate and those infected have recovered. For information on cases in California and other states, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website: <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/investigation.htm>

Swine flu (also known as swine influenza) is a respiratory disease of pigs caused by type A influenza that regularly cause outbreaks of influenza among pigs. Swine flu viruses do not normally infect people, but human infections with swine flu do occur. The CDC has determined that this swine flu virus is contagious and is spreading from person to person.

What are the symptoms of swine flu?

The symptoms of swine flu in people are similar to the symptoms of regular human flu and include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Body aches
- Headache
- Chills
- Fatigue
- Some people have reported diarrhea and vomiting associated with swine flu.

In the past, severe illness (pneumonia and respiratory failure) and deaths have been reported with swine flu infection in people. Like seasonal flu, swine flu may make underlying chronic medical conditions worse.

What should I do if I get sick?

If you become ill with influenza-like symptoms, including fever, body aches, runny nose, sore throat, nausea, or vomiting or diarrhea, you should contact your health care provider. Your health care provider will determine whether influenza testing or treatment is needed. If you do not have a health care provider, you can call the Contra Costa Health Services Advice Nurse Line at 1-877-661-6230. Please do not go to the Emergency Room unless you have a medical emergency.

- If you are sick, you should stay home from work or school and avoid contact with other people as much as possible to keep from spreading your illness to others.
- If you become ill and experience difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, pain or pressure in the chest or abdomen, sudden dizziness, confusion and/or severe or persistent vomiting, seek emergency medical care by calling 911 or going to the nearest hospital. In children, emergency warning signs that need urgent medical attention include: Fast breathing or trouble breathing, bluish skin color, not drinking enough fluids, not waking up or not interacting, being so irritable that the child does not want to be held, flu-like symptoms improve but then return with fever and worse cough, and/or fever with a rash

How serious is swine flu infection?

Like seasonal flu, swine flu in humans can vary in severity from mild to severe. Between 2005 until January 2009, 12 human cases of swine flu were detected in the U.S. with no deaths occurring. However, swine flu infection can be serious.

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How do you catch swine flu?

Spread of swine flu can occur in two ways:

- Through contact with infected pigs or environments contaminated with swine flu viruses.
- Through contact with a person infected with swine flu. Human-to-human spread of swine flu has been documented and is thought to occur in the same way as seasonal flu. Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person through coughing or sneezing of infected people. Like regular flu, the swine flu virus can live for several days on surfaces such as doorknobs so frequent hand washing is important.

Are there medicines to treat swine flu?

Yes. Your doctor can determine if you need medication, such as when you have been exposed or are ill. CDC recommends the use of oseltamivir (Tamiflu) or zanamivir (Relenza) for the treatment and/or prevention of infection with these swine influenza viruses. Antiviral drugs are prescription medicines (pills, liquid or an inhaler) that fight against the flu by keeping flu viruses from reproducing in your body. If you get sick, antiviral drugs can make your illness milder and make you feel better faster. They may also prevent serious flu complications. For treatment, antiviral drugs work best if started soon after getting sick (within 2 days of symptoms).

How long can an infected person spread swine flu to others?

People with swine influenza virus infection should be considered potentially contagious as long as they are symptomatic and possible for up to 7 days following illness onset. Children, especially younger children, might potentially be contagious for longer periods.

What can I do to protect myself from getting sick?

There is no vaccine available right now to protect against swine flu. There are everyday actions that can help prevent the spread of germs that cause respiratory illnesses like influenza. Take these everyday steps to protect your health:

- Cough or sneeze into your sleeve.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective. Like regular flu, the swine flu virus can live for several days on surfaces such as doorknobs.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- If you get sick with influenza, CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way. Contact your provider.

Should I wear a mask?

Whenever possible, rather than relying on the use of facemasks or respirators, people should avoid close contact with people who might be ill and being in crowded settings. People who come into close contact with a person who has flu symptoms should consider wearing a mask. The mask should be put on before contact with the sick person. A person who is sick with flu symptoms should wear a mask when around others.

Can I get swine influenza from eating or preparing pork?

No. Swine influenza viruses are not spread by food. You cannot get swine influenza from eating pork or pork products. Eating properly handled and cooked pork products is safe.

More information on swine flu in English and Spanish is available on the Contra Costa Health Services website: www.cchealth.org and on CCHS' Health Emergency Information Line at 1-888-959-9911



TIPS FOR HANDLING CALLS

General Tips

- Listen carefully
- Don't second guess the caller
- Use the updated factsheet
- Use simple language (avoid jargon), speak clearly
- Acknowledge uncertainty, say "I don't know" but working on it, "I wish we knew that right now but this is what I can tell you...."
- Don't make promises you can't keep
- Don't give medical advice
- Don't use humor
- Don't give out your personal phone numbers

Dealing with difficult or distraught callers

- Always remain calm and polite
- Acknowledge the caller's concerns, express empathy
- A caller may get angry and hostile toward you- but it's not about you- don't take it personally
- Acknowledge caller's anger, let them cool down
- Paraphrase what caller is saying
- Refer suicidal callers to 211

Diffusing strategies

Caller crying hysterically

- Lead caller through a few deep breaths
- Distract caller by asking simple demographic questions (Where calling from?)

Caller yelling or abusive

- Remain calm and polite
- Try to tell caller you would like to help but you can't understand them if they yell
- Reflect feeling (Validate their feelings- "You sound angry")
- Don't accept abuse-tell caller you prefer they refrain from abusive language, etc.
- If necessary, hang up

Making referrals:

Swine flu information is available in both English and Spanish on our website: www.cchealth.org, the pre-recorded Health Emergency Information Line at 1-888-959-9911. The public also can call our Advice Nurses at 1-877-661-6230.

Media calls refer to the CCHS Communications Office at 925-313-6268.

Información para personas que viven en el Condado de Contra Costa:

Oficiales de la salud han cerrado la escuela Highlands Elementary en Pittsburg empezando el 29 de Abril de 2009 después de que pruebas preliminares indicaron que tres estudiantes fueren infectados con la gripe porcina. Hasta ahora, ninguno de los casos parecen ser severo. Oficiales de la Salud local están trabajando con las autoridades de salud estatal y federal. Han habido casos de influenza porcina en California. Todos estos casos han sido leves a moderados y todos han recuperado. Para información sobre los casos en California y en otros estados, visite la pagina Red de los Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades (CDC):

<http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/espanol/investigacion.htm>

La influenza porcina o gripe porcina es una enfermedad respiratoria de los cerdos, causada por los virus de la influenza tipo A. Por lo general, los virus de la influenza porcina no infectan a los humanos, pero en algunas ocasiones, casos de infecciones en personas ocurren. Los CDC han determinado que la influenza porcina es contagiosa y que se esta pasando de persona-a-persona.

¿Cuáles son los síntomas de la influenza porcina?

Los síntomas de la influenza porcina en las personas son similares a los de la influenza estacional:

- Fiebre
- Tos
- Dolor de garganta
- Dolor en el cuerpo
- Dolor de cabeza
- Escalofríos
- Fatiga
- Algunas personas han reportado vómitos y diarrea en relación con la influenza porcina

En el pasado, se han reportado enfermedades severas (neumonía e insuficiencia respiratoria) y muertes en personas con la influenza porcina. Igual que la gripe estacional, la gripe porcina puede empeorar las condiciones medicas que uno ya tenga.

¿Qué debo hacer si me enfermo?

Si usted se enferma con síntomas de influenza que incluyen fiebre, dolor en el cuerpo, secreciones nasales, dolor de garganta, nauseas o vómitos o diarrea, contacte a su proveedor de cuidado de salud. Su proveedor de cuidado de salud determinara si hay necesidad de hacerle una prueba de influenza o si necesita tratamiento. Si usted no tiene un proveedor de cuidado de salud llame a la Línea de Enfermeras de Consejos de los Servicios de Salud de Contra Costa al 1-877-661-6230. Por favor no vaya a la sala de emergencias.

- Si usted está enfermo, usted debe quedarse en casa y no ir al trabajo o la escuela y evite el contacto con otras personas lo mas posible para que no se pase la enfermedad a otros.
- Si usted se enferma y siente que no puede respirar o que le falta la respiración, tiene dolor o presión en el pecho o en el abdomen, mareos repentinos, confusión y/o vomito severo, solicite atención medica de emergencia llamando al 911 o vaya al hospital mas cercano. En los niños síntomas de emergencia que señalan que se necesita atención medica de inmediato incluyen respiración rápida o falta de respiración, piel color azul, no bebe suficiente liquido, no se despierta o tienen interacción, esta tan irritado que no quiere ser cargado, se recupera de los síntomas de gripe pero los síntomas regresan con fiebre y una tos peor o con fiebre y ronchas.

¿Qué tan seria es la influenza porcina?

Como la gripe estacional, la influenza porcina en los humanos varia en su gravedad de leve a severa. Entre el 2005 hasta Enero de 2009, 12 casos de influenza porcina en los humanos fueron detectados en los EE.UU. sin ocurrir ni una muerte. Sin embargo, la gripe porcina puede ser seria.

¿Cómo se pasa la influenza porcina?

La influenza porcina se pasa de dos maneras:

- Por medio de contacto con cerdos infectados o en un ambiente que ha sido infectado con el virus de la influenza porcina.
- Por medio de contacto con una persona infectada con la influenza porcina. Se ha documentado que la influenza porcina se esta pasando de persona-a-persona y se piensa que se pasa de la misma manera que se pasa la gripe estacional. Se piensa que la gripe se pasa, mayormente, por medio de la tos o estornudo de personas infectadas.

¿Existen medicamentos para el tratamiento de las personas con infecciones por influenza porcina?

Sí. Su doctor puede determinar si usted necesita medicamento, por ejemplo si fue expuesto o esta enfermo. Los CDC recomiendan el uso de oseltamivir y zanamivir (Tamiflu o Relenza) para el tratamiento o la prevención de la infección por los virus de la influenza porcina. Los antivirales son medicamento que se obtienen con receta (píldoras, líquido o un inhalador) que luchan contra el virus para que no se reproduzca en el cuerpo. Si se enferma, medicinas antiviral pueden hacer que la enfermedad sea mas leve y pueden hacer que se mejore mas rápido. También pueden prevenir complicaciones serias de la gripe. Para el tratamiento, los medicamentos antiviral funcionan mejor si se los toman cuando la enfermedad empieza (entre 2 días de desarrollar síntomas).

¿Por cuánto tiempo son contagiosas las personas infectadas con la influenza porcina?

Personas infectadas con la influenza porcina deben ser consideradas potencialmente contagiosos mientras tienen síntomas y posiblemente hasta 7 días desde que les empezó la enfermedad. Niños, especialmente niños pequeños, pueden ser contagiosos aun por mas tiempo.

¿Qué puede hacer para protegerme de esta enfermedad?

En estos momentos no hay una vacuna que proteja de la influenza porcina. Hay pasos que usted puede tomar para prevenir el esparcimiento de los gérmenes que causan las enfermedades respiratorias tal como la influenza.

Tome estos pasos para proteger su salud:

- Tosa dentro de su manga
- Tápese la nariz y boca con un pañuelo desechable cuando tose o estornude. Tire el pañuelo en la basura después de usarlo.
- Lávese las manos con frecuencia con jabón y agua, especialmente después de toser o estornudar. También puedo usar un líquido para limpiar las manos con base de alcohol.
- Evite el contacto con personas enfermas
- Si usted se enferma con la influenza, los CDC recomiendan que se quede en casa y no vaya al trabajo o la escuela y que limite el contacto con las personas para no infectarlos. Evite tocarse los ojos, nariz o boca. Los gérmenes se pasan de esta manera.

¿Debo ponerme un mascara?

Cuando sea posible, en vez de depender en una mascara o un respirador, personas deben evitar el contacto cercano con personas que pueden estar enfermas y evitar el estar con multitudes de gente. Personas quienes tienen contacto cercano con una persona que tiene síntomas de gripe debe considerar usar una mascara. La mascara debe ser puesta antes de tener contacto con la persona enferma. Una persona que esta enferma con síntomas de gripe debe usar una mascara cuando este alrededor de otros.

¿Me puede dar influenza porcina de comer cerdo?

No. Los virus de la influenza porcina no se pasan por la comida. Usted no puede enfermarse de la influenza porcina por medio de comer cerdo o productos de cerdo. El comer cerdo preparado adecuadamente es seguro.

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Más información acerca de la influenza porcina es disponible en el sitio de Internet de los Servicios de Salud de Contra Costa: www.cchealth.org/espanol o llamando a la Línea de Información de Emergencias de los Servicios de Salud de Contra Costa al 1-888-959-9911.