



VENTURA COUNTY Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee



Sanger Hedrick, Chair, District 2; Scott Deardorff, District 1; Gordon Kimball, District 3; Patty Waters, District 4; Bobby Jones, District 5

MEETING MINUTES September 16th, 2020

1. 9:05 a.m. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Committee: Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Chair - absent
Scott Deardorff, District 1
Gordon Kimball, District 3
Patty Waters, District 4 - late
Bobby Jones, District 5 - absent

Staff/Others Present: Ed Williams, Korinne Bell, & Alec Thille from the Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner's Office were present; members of the public and representatives of interested parties participated via Zoom.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approve agenda as-published

By Waters, seconded by Kimball

Vote: 3-0

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Approve June 24th & August 19th minutes

By Kimball, seconded by Waters

Vote: 3 – 0

8. PRESENTATION/ACTION

- A. Jared Ficker, with Axiom Advisors, presented the November 2020 Ballot Measure O, to allow the commercial cultivation, processing, distribution and sale of cannabis in the unincorporated Ventura County.

No Action

- B. Chris Stephens, with the Ventura County Executive Office, presented a report on the potential impacts of the November 2020 ballot initiative to adopt an ordinance to allow the commercial cultivation, processing, distribution and sale of cannabis in the unincorporated Ventura County

No Action

Public Comment

- a. Chris Williamson – Expressed concern about the effect of cultivation of cannabis causing undesirable odors due to previous experience with hemp cultivation in Ventura County, showed appreciation for the presentation which clarified some of his concerns.

- C. Ed Williams, Agricultural Commissioner, presented a department update on activities and programs important to Ventura County's agriculture.

No Action

9. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. APAC Members

None

- B. Staff

Proposals for future agenda items:

Presentation by Ventura County Planning staff of Land Conservation Act contract renewals that request a Zone change

Presentation by Ventura County Planning staff of the Conditional Use Permit Application for Hoke Dog Kennel – Tentative

10. Meeting adjourned by Scott Deardorff at 10:45 a.m.