

[CONTINUED] Planning Commission Actions

March 25, 2021 at 1:00 PM

Meeting No.: 21-01

The March 18, 2021 1:00 p.m. virtual meeting of the Planning Commission was continued by order of the Planning Commission to date and time certain: March 25, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioner Reed District 2

Commissioner Belforte District 3

Commissioner Mauritsen District 4

Commissioner Davis District 5

Commissioner Carr District 1, Chair

Staff Members

Scott Orr, Deputy Director

Andrew Smith, Agricultural Commissioner-Sealer

Christina Rivera, Assistant County Administrator

Chelsea Holup, Secretary

Jennifer Klein, Chief Deputy County Counsel

Item Number: 1 [Meeting Agenda item #1 continued by order of the Planning Commission after close of public hearing to date certain: March 25, 2021 at 1:00 pm]

Time: 1:10 PM

File Number: ORD20-0005

Applicant: County of Sonoma, Permit and Resource Management Department, The County Administrator's Office, and the Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures

Owner: Non-Applicable

Con't from: Not applicable

Staff: Andrew Smith and Christina Rivera

Env Doc: Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Proposal: Consideration of amendments to the County Code, Chapter 26 and new Chapter 38, to allow expanded ministerial permitting for commercial cannabis cultivation in agricultural and resource zoned areas. In addition, a General Plan Amendment is proposed to revise the Agricultural Resources Element to explicitly recognize cannabis cultivation as an agricultural use.

Location: County Wide

APN: Various

District: All

Zoning: Various

Action: Commissioner Mauritsen motioned for a straw vote to recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt Chapter 38 with modifications, approve the associated MND, and to not proceed with a General Plan Amendment. In addition, recommend to the Board of Supervisors to direct staff to conduct a larger update to the cannabis program through an EIR. Seconded by Commissioner Reed and approved with a 3-2-0 straw vote. Staff directed to update and bring back a resolution consistent with the straw vote for a final vote on April 15, 2021 at 6pm.

**Appeal
Deadline:**

Vote to Continue Meeting until April 15, 2021:

Commissioner Carr District 1	No
Commissioner Belforte District 3	Aye
Commissioner Mauritsen District 4	Aye
Commissioner Davis District 5	No
Commissioner Reed District 2, Chair	Aye

Ayes: 3

Noes: 2

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0