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## YOLO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

CHAIR: Troy Bird  
VICE-CHAIR: Brian Sala  
MEMBERS: Trini Campbell Cline, Elisabeth Dubin, Amon Muller, Patrick Reynolds

### MINUTES

May 11, 2023

### ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

8:30 a.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Bird called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Troy Bird, Elisabeth Dubin, Brian Sala, Amon Muller, Patrick Reynolds

Absent: Trini Campbell Cline

Staff Present: Stephanie Cormier, Principal Planner  
Eric May, Senior Deputy County Counsel  
Tracy Gonzalez, Assistant Planner  
Evelyn Tamayo-Arias, Commission Clerk  
Krista Piazza, Secretary to the Director  
Scott Dolittle, Chief Building Official  
Kristen Wraithwall, Climate Sustainability Manager

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The April 13, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Motion: Sala Second: Reynolds

Ayes: Bird, Dubin, Sala

Noes: None

Abstain: Muller, Reynolds

Absent: Campbell Cline

5. **REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES**

There was no continuance.

**6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made to move up items 10 and 11 after correspondence.

Motion: Muller Second: Dubin  
Ayes: Bird, Dubin, Muller, Reynolds, Sala,  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Campbell Cline

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Planning Commission on subjects not otherwise on the agenda relating to Planning Commission business. The Planning Commission reserves the right to impose a reasonable limit on time afforded to any topic or to any individual speaker.

There was no public comment.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

Email correspondence was sent to the Commission regarding the following:

- Cannabis Program Update
- Water Awareness Forum
- Yolo County Community Solar Projects

**TIME SET AGENDA**

**9. ZF #2020-0043:** Public hearing to review the proposed Gibson Solar Farm Project, offer further direction on the Project, and direct staff to return to the June 8, 2023, Planning Commission meeting for a continued public hearing to consider a final recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on approval of the Project and certification of an Environmental Impact Report. The Project is for a Use Permit application for a large utility-scale solar energy system and battery energy storage facility that proposes to locate on an approximately 147-acre agriculturally-zoned parcel approximately 1.2 miles east of Esparto (APN: 049-100-035). (Application: Gibson Renewables, LLC / Owner: AWR Land Partnership, LP) (Planner: Tracy Gonzalez)

Tracy Gonzalez, Assistant Planner, provided the presentation and along with Jamie Nagel (applicant) answered the Commission's questions.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made to continue this item to the June 08, 2023, Planning Commission meeting.

Motion: Dubin Second: Sala  
Ayes: Bird, Dubin, Muller, Reynolds, Sala  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Campbell Cline

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**10. Climate Action and Sustainability Update (Kristen Wraithwall, Climate Sustainability Manager)**

Kristen Wraithwall, Climate Sustainability Manager, provided the presentation and answered the Commission's questions.

**11. Role of Planning Commission as Appellate Body for Decisions of the Chief Building Official (Scott Doolittle, Chief Building Official)**

Scott Doolittle, Chief Building Official, provided his presentation to the Commission and answered their questions.

**12. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

A report by the Secretary of the Planning Commission on items from the recent Board of Supervisors meetings relevant to the Planning Commission and Department of Community Services activities for the month. No discussion by other commission members will occur except for clarifying questions. The commission or an individual commissioner can request that an item be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

Stephanie Cormier, Principal Planner, provided the Director's report.

**13. COMMISSION REPORTS**

Reports by commission members on information they have received and meetings they have attended which would be of interest to the commission or the public. No discussion by other commission members will occur except for clarifying questions.

Commissioner Muller provided his report.

**14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The opportunity for commission members to request an item be placed on a future agenda for discussion. No discussion by other commission members will occur except for clarifying questions.

The future agenda items were discussed during the Director's report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Motion: Bird Second: Dubin  
Ayes: Bird, Dubin, Muller, Reynolds, Sala  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Campbell Cline

Next meeting scheduled for: June 08, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Yolo County Planning Commission adjourned at 10:47 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Yolo County Planning Commission is June 08, 2023, in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers.

Any person who is dissatisfied with the decisions of this Planning Commission may appeal to the Board of Supervisors by filing with the Clerk of the Board within fifteen days from the date of the action. A written notice of appeal specifying the grounds and an appeal fee immediately payable to the Clerk of the Board must be submitted at the time of filing. The Board of Supervisors may sustain, modify, or overrule this decision.

Respectfully submitted by,

Stephanie Cormier, Secretary  
Yolo County Department of Community Services