



**TOWN OF LOOMIS**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**LOOMIS DEPOT**  
**5775 HORSESHOE BAR ROAD**  
**LOOMIS, CALIFORNIA**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**  
**DRAFT ACTION MINUTES**

**TUESDAY** **JANUARY 23, 2024** **7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER** 7:00pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- ROLL CALL:**
- Chairman Onderko
  - Vice Chair Kelly
  - Commissioner Wilson Arrived 7:04PM.
  - Commissioner DeMartini
  - Commissioner Dipillo

**PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Dave Dalli-Delmar-

Bob Rhodes-Commented on potential improvements to Taylor Rd and Horseshoe Bar Rd to King Rd and King Rd on ramp.

Pam Blake-Commented on Town Council Meeting time change and effect on Planning Commission meeting time.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- Motion to adopt agenda: Kelly - 2<sup>nd</sup> DiPillo.
- Ayes: DeMartini, Wilson, Onderko.
  - Noes: None.
  - Absent: None.
  - Abstain: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. October 24,2023– PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
2. January 2024– PLANNING PROJECT STATUS
3. December 2023–GENERAL PLAN UPDATE STATUS REPORT

**RECOMMENDATION**

- APPROVE
- RECEIVE AND FILE
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**ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- Motion to adopt consent agenda: DiPillo - 2<sup>nd</sup> De Martini.
- Ayes: Kelly, Wilson, Onderko.
  - Noes: None.
  - Absent: None.
  - Abstain: None.

## **BUSINESS**

### **4. HIDDEN GROVE PROJECT #21-10 NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, INITIAL STUDY, AND PUBLIC SCOPING**

Presentation by Staff and Raney Planning & Management Inc. on the CEQA Notice of Preparation and Initial Study and the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to be prepared to analyze the Hidden Grove project. The purpose of the scoping process is to collect comments from the public and agencies regarding the content of the EIR, including proposals for alternatives.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive information and take public comment.

Commissioner De Martini formally recused himself due to location of his home and business within 300' of the Hidden Grove project.

### **COMMISSIONERS COMMENT:**

The Planning Commission commented on the following:

- Transportation and traffic issues.
- Potential emergency evacuation issues.
- Need for adequate ADA compliant sidewalks.
- Concerns with emergency response to schools during high traffic.
- Utilities – water treatment capacity at plant for PCWA.
- Energy – energy resiliency for town with all the new units.
- Concession on parks.
- Open space area prohibited from public use.
- Tree mitigation concession and need to maintain oak woodlands.
- AQ – heat island effects.
- Traffic on Library Drive to Horseshoe Bar.
- Bridge on Library Drive over wetlands and reduction of biological impact.
- Potential issues for Webb St. intersection and increase in traffic through neighborhoods.
- Lack of sidewalks on both sides of the street and impact of safety for children.
- Confirm with sewer and water if lines are sufficient to serve the project.
- Concern for capacity at Loomis Grammar for added students.
- Potential emergency vehicle ingress and egress issues.
- Traffic patterns at Boyington and King.
- School access safety for kids.
- Need for adequate park space.
- SB 330 process.
- Source of funding for the EIR.
- Cost of roadway improvements to implement the General Plan.
- Communication with effected Schools for information on capacity and impacts.
- Proposed mitigation for schools.
- Need for accommodations for Pedestrian traffic.
- Requirement of sidewalks per the Town ordinance.
- Parks vs open space and acquiring adequate acreage for both.
- Impacts to state highway system and Caltrans coordination on highway system.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Peter Estathie – PUHSD – Commented on traffic study on Taylor, impacts on interdistrict transfers for schools, and Boyington extension possibilities to address traffic.

Russel Laird – 6364 David Ave– Commented on potential noise issues with removal of existing vegetation and effect on wildlife with removal of habitat.

Russ Kelly-Barton Rd – Commented on traffic issues and emergency access/evacuation, Boyington connection, parking, mosquito and vector control issues and public services with sewer and water connection.

Linda Williams- King Road –Commented on Schools and safe routes, low-income impact with social service needs and public transportation needs, utilities, lack of parking, inclusion of low income housing, lack of public transit and potential effects, Public Safety mitigation, concession on 3 stories, cluster housing and emergency access/evacuation.

William Quenville-6280 \_\_\_ Rd. – no on street parking with a parking structure and ADA accessibility, project concessions, High density inclusion, Library Drive/Horseshoe Bar Rd access. Addressed potential Issues with EIR regarding wetlands, SB330

Dave Dalli – Commented on need for sidewalks, street width and potential issues, lack of public impact in EIR, need to include fee for tree removal, limiting concessions given, and installing infrastructure before subdivision. Mentioned concerns for inclusion of 3 story structures, and effect of growth to the Town.

Randy Green-Delmar – Commented on including wildland protection act and plan for project waste in EIR.

Erika Sloane – LUSD – Commented on capacity of Schools.

Rich Gothie-6080 --- Ct. – Commented on vehicle and pedestrian traffic safety, inclusion of Town Historians in process for historical sites. Mentioned possible effects on the creek to Secret Ravine and the salmon run. Commented on noise study including existing residents/residents, inclusion of noise in relation to the freeway.

Tricia Art-Rachel Ct. – Commented on traffic issues with schools. Asked about resource for statistics of traffic, lack of parking with narrow streets.

Shawn Giordino-Rachel Ct. – Commented on traffic concerns especially school hours, need for bike lanes, walkability to schools,

Desiree Chase-Arcadia Ave – Commented on traffic issues, inclusion of low/no income with no public transportation available, effect of population increase on Public Services. Mentioned concern for effect on drainage maintenance, schools, library, and parks.

Tom Blackburn – 3025 Humphrey – Commented on potential concessions and the possibility of decreasing number of units proposed.

Josh Casagrande – Commented on impact to schools and traffic issues.

Pam Blake – Commented on impact of project to Town and infrastructure and roads. Commented on proposed tree removal and global warming. Mentioned traffic, parking issues and onstreet parking.

Miguel Ucovich – Commented on SB 330 needs to follow GP. Commented on low-income housing concessions and EIR.

## **PLANNING DIRECTORS REPORT**

Planning Director Christy Consolini provide a report on General Plan Update EIR, Hidden Grove EIR comment period, Housing Element, Costco, Sierra Foothill Academy Use Permit Modification, SB 9 submittals, Quick Quack Car Wash, Creekstone Senior Living Community Application Submittal, free tax prep a Loomis Library, Public Counter hours, Next Planning Commission meeting on February 27, 2024.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS** None.

**ADJOURNMENT** 8:54PM. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2024.

Signed, January 24, 2024 at Loomis, California.

*Sarah Jennings*

Sarah Jennings, Planning Secretary

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