



County of Placer
Granite Bay Municipal Advisory Council
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01/05/2023 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: APPROVED 02/02/2023

6:00 PM, Thursday, January 5th, 2023

Meeting Location: Granite Bay Library 6475 Douglas Blvd. Granite Bay

Online via Zoom (link below) | **Meeting ID: 991 6091 9427**

This was an in-person meeting for the MAC members and county staff, and the public was also welcomed to participate in person. Options for the public to participate virtually were offered as follows:

Members of the public observed and participated in this meeting by accessing the following web link:

<https://placer-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/99160919427>

Members of the public accessed meeting audio by calling 1-877-853-5247 (Toll Free) or 1-888-788-0099 (Toll Free) **Conference ID: 991 6091 9427**

1. Call to Order – At 6:00p by Chair Amber Beckler

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

- **Present:** Virgil Anderson, Amber Beckler, Gary Flanagan, Sandra Harris, Kris Johnson, and Nick Johnson
- **Absent:** Chris Hill

4. Approval of December 8, 2022 Minutes

- **MAC member Kris Johnson asked that the minutes be updated to reflect GBCP sections and Placer County Code sections she referred to the applicants to review.**
- **Approved with Amendments:** Gary Flanagan / Sandy Harris / Unanimous approval

5. Approval of January 5, 2023 Agenda

- **After discussion, it was proposed that an item 10B. Discussion of 2023 Meeting Times be added to the agenda.**
- **Approved with Amendments:** Kris Johnson / Nick Johnson / Unanimous approval

The MAC is composed of appointed community members whose purpose is to advise the Board of Supervisors about activities and problems of the area represented. Residents are encouraged to attend and talk about issues important to them. More info at www.placer.ca.gov/bos/macs. Placer County is committed to ensuring that persons with disabilities are provided the resources to participate fully in public meeting. If you require disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aid or services, to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the Board of Supervisor's Office.



6. Public Safety & MAC Member Reports

- A.** Placer County Sheriff's Office – Not Present
- B.** California Highway Patrol – Not Present
- C.** South Placer Fire – Chief Matt Feeley
 - Other public safety agencies were not able to attend due to the severe storm.
 - December Stats: 402 calls, 4 fires, 252 med (47 to care homes, 8 were non-emergencies), 92 service, 34 false alarms.
 - December 2022 was 22% increase from December 2021, and overall 2022 had a 9% increase from 2021
 - SPFD up-staffed for the storms and has been working with Placer County OES. Residents are advised to not attempt to cross any floodwaters especially in the dark.
 - In response to MAC member question about the number of false alarms, Chief Feeley clarified that SPFD will bill for repeat calls. However, most of these alarms are one-time issues at schools, construction sites, etc.
- D.** CalFire – Not Present
- E.** MAC Member reports – None

7. Public Comment:

- Mike Frey expressed concern about increasing congestion at the intersection of Eureka and Wellington and felt that the recently installed truncheons have caused additional issues. Additionally, a new gate has been installed across Old Eureka Road, which he believes to be county owned.
- Marsha Hesch and son Ben Hesch spoke on behalf of Hearts Landing Ranch (8902 Quail Lane) and their equine therapy program. Recent incursions on existing local trails have made it difficult for them to safely walk/ride horses and they are concerned that this will negatively impact their ability to provide this much-needed service to the community.
- Ken Ristuben expressed concern regarding the storage units going in off of Sierra College/Cavitt-Stallman. He believes that the construction underway does not comply with the application and agreements made. He also asked that Placer County consider expanding the notification radius for these kinds of projects. Supervisor Jones will follow up to find out what was agreed to and if the project is in compliance.
- Cheryl Berkema advised residents that they can sign up for text notifications from PG&E regarding outages. She also expressed concerns regarding

Winery 8's EIR, 300 ft notification radius, the recent application for a conditional use permit for a 75 ft tower, and zoning tax amendment.

8. Subcommittee Reports

A. Granite Bay Community Plan Committee update – Kris Johnson

- They are working with County staff to understand the new zoning laws and their impact on the GBCP. They will continue to seek meetings and work to update the plan accordingly.

B. Parks, Open Space & Natural Resources Committee update – None

C. Trails Committee Update – Kris Johnson

- They have meetings scheduled and will report back on progress.
- Donna Eckworzel, Hearts Landing Ranch (8902 Quail Lane) presented regarding their equine therapy programs and issues they have been having with neighbors who built a gate across Old Eureka Road, thereby blocking equine access to local trails. Her understanding is that the road is County owned, but the neighbors chose to install a gate because they felt the road was their property. MAC Members, Supervisor Jones, and Director Spelis all agreed that this was an issue needing immediate attention and that Supervisor Jones will follow up with the County right away to confirm who owns the road and remove the gate if it is on County property.

D. Traffic Committee Update – None

9. Action Items

A. Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2023 term

- There was discussion of chair and vice-chair assignments for the upcoming year, and action taken.
- **MOTION for Amber Beckler to remain Chair:** Gary Flanagan/Sandy Harris
 - **Yes** – Virgil Anderson, Gary Flanagan
 - **No** – Amber Beckler, Sandy Harris, Kris Johnson, and Nick Johnson
 - **Abstain** – None
 - **Absent** – Chris Hill
 - **MOTION FAILED: 4/2**
- There was discussion that Chair/Vice Chair appointments would be dependent on when the 2023 meeting day/time/location would be.

The meetings cannot continue to be the first Wednesday at the Granite Bay Library because the room is booked. Thursday evenings are available and would require the least amount of change, however Amber Beckler has conflicts for the first few months of the year.

- **MOTION for meetings in 2023 to occur on the first Thursday of each Month at 6:00PM at the Granite Bay Library**
 - **Approved:** Nick Johnson / Gary Flanagan / Unanimous Approval
- **MOTION to appoint Kris Johnson as MAC Chair**
 - **Approved:** Nick Johnson / Virgil Anderson / Unanimous Approval
- **MOTION to appoint Nick Johnson as Vice-Chair**
 - **Approved:** Virgil Anderson / Sandy Harris / Unanimous Approval

10. Information Non-Action Items

A. Mobility and Infill Acceleration Study

Receive a presentation from the Planning Services Division on the MIAS project. The County was recently awarded with a grant from the Sustainable Communities Grant Program to complete a *Mobility and Infill Acceleration Study*. The MIAS project will identify land use and transportation strategies to improve air quality and enhance community health. The MIAS project is focused on five "Infill Opportunity Areas" to evaluate how potential strategies and enabling actions could produce benefits in different settings.

Presenter: Angel Green, Senior Planner; Bob Largomarcino, Consultant; Jeff Schwein, Consultant

- One area identified as an "opportunity area" is the area adjacent to the intersection of Auburn-Folsom and Douglas, extending North to Joe Rodgers Road and South to Eureka Road. This area is in proximity to the Folsom Lake SRA, as well as existing residential, commercial, and educational properties.
- They are seeking the public's input about what they would like to see in this area. Infill can be any use, such as: housing, commercial, parks, trails, etc.
 - MAC Members expressed concerns about increasing housing density and car trips. They affirmed that residents are excited about parks and trails, especially as they increase

non-car transportation options and access between existing amenities.

- Residents expressed support for prioritizing the needs of existing residents and increasing recreational use. They expressed concerns against high density residential. They asked that there be examples of possible scenarios for this area and specifics about what type of “infill” is possible. One current cause of many car trips is families getting kids to schools which do not have viable safe access for bikes/pedestrians or bus service for most students.
- The County will take this input into advisement. There is also a survey available to residents at placermobilityandinfill.com.

B. Discussion of Granite Bay MAC meeting time/location for 2023 –

Completed as part of Item 9A

11. Supervisor’s Report – Supervisor Suzanne Jones

- Supervisor Jones will be serving as Vice-Chair of the Board of Supervisors for 2023. The year is off to a great start and she is optimistic about what they will be able to accomplish this year.

12. Adjournment: At 8:22PM until the next regular meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2023.