9/10/19 Meeting Minutes: Approved 11/12/19
NA MAC REGULAR MEETING – September 10, 2019
Community Development Resource Center, Planning Commission Hearing Room
3091 County Center Drive, Auburn, CA 95603

1. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance:** 6:03 p.m.

2. **Welcome & Introduction of Members** Chair Larry Farinha, Vice Chair Mark Watts, Greg Wilbur, Dave Hungerford, Mike Lutzker, Anthony Haddad

   Absent: Steven Nichols

   Staff Present: Jim Holmes, District 3 Supervisor, Beverly Roberts, District 3 Director, Kelly McCaughna, District 5 Aide, Shari Teal, North Auburn MAC Secretary

3. **Statement of Meeting Procedures** – Chair Farinha read the Statement of Meeting Procedures.

4. **Approval of September 10, 2019 Agenda**
   Hungerford/Wilbur/6/0

5. **Approval of July 9, 2019 Minutes with correction**
   Lutzker/Hungerford/Unanimous/6/0

6. **Placer County Updates:** Jim Holmes, District 3 Supervisor:

   2-1-1 Information and Referral Services -
   Approved an agreement with Nevada Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority

   Housing for a Healthy California Project Application: Adopted Resolution
Safe Routes to School Program Along the Highway 49 Corridor - Accepted Funds from the Placer County Transportation and Planning Agency and approved a revenue agreement with the Placer County Transportation and Planning Agency

A presentation by Planning Services on the Housing Program including the Housing Strategy and Development Plan and the Housing Funding and Investment Strategy. Approved Affordable Housing Program Budget Request for up to $500,000 for the implementation of a pilot program that will accelerate housing production needed to address existing affordable needs was received.

Placer County is now joining most of California’s other counties in offering residents 211 online and telephone information system.

7. Public Safety Reports

A. CAL Fire: Battalion Chief Jessie Morris provided stats from the Atwood fire station location. There were 277 calls in August.

B. California Highway Patrol: None

C. Placer County Sheriff’s Office / POP Officers

Deputy Spencer – Drone operators have been assigned to officers to assist in PCSO services.

The Gathering Inn (Keith Diederich, CEO) – Mobile disaster kitchen is now in operation. October 2, 2019 – Grand Opening of the new kitchen; tentative “no camping” ordinance and DeWitt shelter campus clean-up has occurred.

8. North Auburn MAC Committee Reports:

A. Chair Report/Correspondence, Larry Farinha - None

B. Transportation Committee, Mark Watts – None

9. Information Items:

A. Strategic Planning Update: Todd Leopold, CEO provided an update with discussion of the nine Critical Success Factors that serve as Placer County’s priority-guiding principles, developed for decision making purposes. He addressed comments and questions.

They are: Strategic Relationships and Community Engagement; Diversity of Achievable Housing Throughout the County; Collaborative Health and Human Services, Public-Serving Infrastructure and Amenities, Outcome-focused Economic

B. Housing Strategy and Development Code Amendments: Patrick Dobbs Placer County Planning Services provided an informational overview of proposed housing-related Code amendments aimed at increasing housing availability and affordability while streamlining the permit approval process for a mix of housing types for all income levels. He addressed comments and questions.

The proposed changes will allow for increased residential capacity on commercial and multi-family zoned parcels, and will align with recent changes to State housing laws, with higher density, mixed use, transit-oriented, and infill housing development primarily located where existing infrastructure and public services are currently available.

10. Public Comment: Several members of the public including Jim Goddard, Judy Eisemann and Jane Wuerst expressed opposition to the Hidden Falls expansion project. A request was made for future notifications for this project be sent to all 6,000 property owners affected. Ms. Wuerst submitted her comments to be included as part of this meeting’s record.

11. Action Item: None

12. Adjournment: 7:14 PM to next regular meeting on November 12, 2019.

Attachment – Wuerst

Recorded and Transcribed by Shari Teal, North Auburn MAC Secretary.
Hello, my name is Jane Wurst, I live in North Auburn and I am part of Protect Rural Placer.

This past February, Andy Fisher of the Parks Dept. went to the supervisors and asked them for more money for the Hidden Falls Regional Park Expansion SEIR which, though they initially projected would be out in October of 2018, would now he stated, be out in June. Supervisors Montgomery and Holmes asked him if it was the large number of issues, red flags and the concerns of the residents that was making it take so long. He admitted that it was. It is now mid-September and the SEIR still isn’t out.

We all know, that fire agencies and insurance companies have designated the expansion area in North Auburn and Lincoln as a high-risk fire area and a WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE. We are all asking, why would our County staff go through with the Hidden Falls expansion and knowingly put hundreds of people daily out on highly combustible Big Hill, endangering thousands of families and compromising their ability to get insurance?

Trail groups are organizing, because they “want more” trails. Let’s put this in perspective. While they are wanting more of something, that they already have an abundance of in Placer, Nevada, Yuba and El Dorado Counties, we the residents in rural North Auburn and Lincoln are just asking to keep our families, homes, property, roads and community safe and secure.

We ask our County staff, our supervisors and representative like yourselves to please respect our right to do that. Please join with us in rejecting the Hidden Falls expansion project.

Please accept my comments as part of the permanent record of this meeting.

Thank you.