



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY
UPDATE COMMITTEE REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 1/30/2020
ITEM: 1

**DRAFT
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2019**

The General Plan Update Advisory Committee of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a Regular Meeting on December 12, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Melanie Hanssen, Vice Chair Kathryn Janoff, Vice Mayor Barbara Spector, Committee Member Jeffrey Barnett, Committee Member Susan Moore Brown, Committee Member Kendra Burch, Committee Member Steven Piasecki, Committee Member Ryan Rosenberg, Committee Member Lee Quintana, and Committee Member Carol Elias Zolla.

Absent: Committee Member Jarvis and Mayor Marcia Jensen

Staff present: Jennifer Armer, Joel Paulson, Lisa Petersen, and Laurel Prevetti

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member Quintana led the Pledge of Allegiance. The audience was invited to participate.

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

Maryellen Stamos

- Commented on health benefits of plant-based diets, and the need to have more plant-based options in Town.

Sue Ann Lorig

- Commented on the environmental impact of industrial animal agriculture.

Karen Aidi

- Commented that climate change should not be a divisive political issue, because you can have an impact by changing what you eat to have less meat, which is also better for your health.

Kathleen Willey

- Read a letter from Karen Rubio in favor of plant-based diet to reduce irreversible impacts of climate change.

Lisa Wade

- Commented that the new General Plan should encourage plant-based eating, because that is the most cost effective way to reduce climate change.

Rosilene Martins

- Commented that the best way she found to reduce her carbon footprint was to replace cow's milk in her diet and reduce her meat consumption by half.

CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)

1. Approval of Minutes – August 15, 2019
2. Approval of Minutes – September 19, 2019

MOTION: **Motion by Vice Mayor Spector** to approve Consent Items with revised September 19, 2019 minutes as reflected in the desk item. **Seconded by Committee Member Burch.**

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. Review Land Use Alternatives Report and Develop a Preferred Land Use Alternative Recommendation

Brent Gibbons and Rick Rust of Mintier Harnish, spoke about the land use alternatives report.

Committee discussed the matter and provided comments on the following (though no consensus was reached):

- The housing unit data in the report is confusing since some sections include the units from pending and approved projects, and some do not.
- Future analysis should include additional commercial growth.
- Future analysis should include additional residential growth in downtown.
- The Campbell Draft General Plan also looks at increased density in areas adjacent to our opportunity areas.
- Potential fiscal impacts of future growth need to be considered.

During the discussion, the Committee requested additional information regarding the following:

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- More detailed figures on household size, possibly differentiating between different housing types.
- A master evaluation table laying out the differences between the four alternatives.
- Additional fiscal information to support creating an alternative that is net positive.
- More detailed information about the number of units produced under each alternative, specifically providing the number of units projected for the land under each land use designation.

The next GPAC meeting will be on Thursday, January 30, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the December 12, 2019 meeting as approved by the General Plan Update Advisory Committee.

Joel Paulson, Director of Community Development

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