



# County of Santa Barbara

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Minute Order

February 11, 2025

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**Present:** 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 25-00089

**RE:** HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding amendments to the Montecito Land Use and Development Code (MLUDC), County Land Use and Development Code (LUDC), Article II, Coastal Zoning Ordinance, and associated Comprehensive Plan amendments to adopt updated Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance amendments (Case Nos. 24ORD-00001, 24ORD-00002, 24ORD-00003, 24GPA-00001, and 24GPA-00002), as follows: (EST. TIME: 1 HR.)

- a) Make the required findings for approval, including California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) findings, for the Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Case Nos. 24GPA-00001 and 24GPA-00002, and the Ordinance Amendments, Case Nos. 24ORD-00001, 24ORD-00002, and 24ORD-00003;
- b) Determine that the Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Nos. 24GPA-00001 and 24GPA-00002, the Ordinance Amendments, Case Nos. 24ORD-00001, 24ORD-00002, and 24ORD-00003, and the design guidelines amendments are exempt from the CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15265;
- c) Approve the Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance Amendments by taking the following actions:
  - i) Adopt an Ordinance amending the zoning regulations of the County LUDC (Case No. 24ORD-00001), Section 35-1 of Chapter 35, Zoning, of the Santa Barbara County Code;
  - ii) Adopt an Ordinance amending the zoning regulations of the MLUDC (Case No. 24ORD-00002), Section 35-2 of Chapter 35, Zoning, of the Santa Barbara County Code; and
  - iii) Adopt an Ordinance amending the zoning regulations of the Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance (Case No. 24ORD-00003) of Chapter 35, Zoning, of the Santa Barbara County Code;
- d) Adopt a Resolution approving Case No. 24GPA-00001, amending the Santa Barbara County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element in the following ways:
  - i) Amend Development Standard VIS-SYV-1.10, amend Development Standard VIS-SYV-3.1,



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and delete Attachment H, of the Santa Ynez Valley Community Plan;

ii) Amend Development Standard VIS-LA-1.2.3 of the Los Alamos Community Plan; and

iii) Amend Development Standard VIS-EGV-1I, amend Development Standard VIS-EGV-1M, and delete Development Standard VIS-EGV-1O, of the Eastern Goleta Valley Community Plan;

e) Adopt a Resolution approving Case No. 24GPA-00002, amending the Santa Barbara County Comprehensive Plan Coastal Land Use Plan in the following ways:

i) Amend Development Standard VIS-EGV-1I, amend Development Standard VIS-EGV-1M, and delete Development Standard VIS-EGV-1O, of the Eastern Goleta Valley Community Plan;

f) Adopt a Resolution revising the Old Town Orcutt Design Guidelines and the Los Alamos Bell Street Design Guidelines for consistency with the adoption of the Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance Amendments;

g) Adopt a Resolution revising the Montecito Architectural Guidelines and Development Standards for consistency with the adoption of the Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance Amendments;

h) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Planning and Development to submit the Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, and Montecito Architectural Guidelines and Development Standards amendments (Case No. 24ORD-00003, Case No. 24GPA-00002) to the California Coastal Commission (CCC) for review and certification as an amendment to the Santa Barbara County Local Coastal Program; and

i) Direct the Planning and Development Department to transmit the adopted Resolution to the Executive Director of the CCC.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY

HEARING TIME: 12:28 PM - 2:03 PM (1 hr. 35 MIN.)



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Received and filed staff presentation and conducted a public hearing.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Lee, that this matter be acted on as follows:

- a) Made the required findings for approval, including California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) findings;
- b) Approved;
- c) i) Approved and Adopted an Ordinance amending the zoning regulations of the County LUDC (Case No. 24ORD-00001), Section 35-1 of Chapter 35, Zoning, amended at the February 11, 2025 meeting to revise the following: (1) Section 6(A) "Purpose" as follows: "The purpose of this Section is to create standards for outdoor lighting that minimize light pollution caused by inappropriate or misaligned light fixtures. These standards conserve energy, preserve the nighttime sky, and protect neighbors and wildlife while maintaining nighttime safety, utility, security and productivity..."; and (2) Section 6(E)(6) under "General Requirements" (Kelvin) as follows: "Outdoor security lighting fixtures shall not exceed 4,000 Kelvin. All other outdoor light fixtures shall not exceed 2,700 Kelvin";

#### ORDINANCE NO. 5238

- c) ii) Approved and Adopted an Ordinance amending the zoning regulations of the MLUDC (Case No. 24ORD-00002), Section 35-2 of Chapter 35, Zoning, amended at the February 11, 2025 meeting to revise the following: (1) Section 2(A) "Purpose" as follows: "The purpose of this Section is to create standards for outdoor lighting that minimize light pollution caused by inappropriate or misaligned light fixtures. These standards conserve energy, preserve the nighttime sky, and protect neighbors and wildlife while maintaining nighttime safety, utility, security and productivity..."; and (2) Section 2(E)(6) under "General Requirements" (Kelvin) as follows: "Outdoor security lighting fixtures shall not exceed 4,000 Kelvin. All other outdoor light fixtures shall not exceed 2,700 Kelvin." Further directed staff to maintain consistency by not granting an exception for Montecito and allowing unshielded string lights and prohibiting new uplighting.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 5239

- c) iii) Approved and Adopted an Ordinance amending the zoning regulations of the Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance (Case No. 24ORD-00003) of Chapter 35, Zoning, amended at the February 11, 2025 meeting to revise the following: (1) Section 10(A) "Purpose" as follows: "The purpose of this Section is to create standards for outdoor lighting that minimize light pollution caused by inappropriate or misaligned light fixtures. These standards conserve energy, preserve the nighttime sky, and protect neighbors and wildlife while maintaining nighttime safety, utility, security and productivity..."; and (2) Section 10(E)(6) under "General Requirements" (Kelvin) as follows: "Outdoor security lighting fixtures shall not exceed 4,000 Kelvin. All other outdoor light fixtures shall not exceed 2,700 Kelvin";

#### ORDINANCE NO. 5240



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d) i) through iii) Adopted a Resolution approving Case No. 24GPA-00001, amending the Santa Barbara County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element;

#### RESOLUTION NO. 25-19

e) i) Adopted a Resolution approving Case No. 24GPA-00002, amending the Santa Barbara County Comprehensive Plan Coastal Land Use Plan;

#### RESOLUTION NO. 25-20

f) Adopted a Resolution revising the Old Town Orcutt Design Guidelines and the Los Alamos Bell Street Design Guidelines for consistency with the adoption of the Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance Amendments;

#### RESOLUTION NO. 25-21

g) Adopted a Resolution revising the Montecito Architectural Guidelines and Development Standards for consistency with the adoption of the Outdoor Lighting, Signs, and Miscellaneous Ordinance Amendments;

#### RESOLUTION NO. 25-22

h) Adopted;

#### RESOLUTION NO. 25-23

i) Directed; and

Further directed the General Services Department to review all County-owned facilities, including those located in cities, to ensure compliance with the revised ordinance amendments.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 3 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, and Supervisor Hartmann

**Noes:** 2 - Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino