



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: Planning and
Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of: May 22, 2007
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: 2 minutes
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department John Baker, Director
Director Planning and Development
Contact Info: Zoraida Abresch, Deputy Director (934-6585)
Development Review - North County
SUBJECT: Lockwood Agricultural Preserve Replacement Contract, Solvang

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

Recommended Actions:

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

That the Board of Supervisors:

Consider Case No. 05AGP-00000-00021 for approval of an agricultural preserve replacement contract for the Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Lockwood Family Trust.

The Board of Supervisors action should include the following:

- A. Approve and direct execution and recordation by the Clerk of the Board of new contract 05AGP-00000-00021, replacing a portion of the original Agricultural Preserve 77-AP-024. The replacement contract involves Assessor's Parcel No. 137-250-077, located approximately 1 mile northeast of the intersection of Ballard Canyon Road and Highway 246, known as 959 East Highway 246, in the Buellton area, Third Supervisorial District.

Summary Text:

The subject property has been in an agricultural preserve (77-AP-024) since January 1, 1978. Due to inconsistency with the Uniform Rules which prohibit multiple ownerships under a single agricultural preserve contract, the Committee recommended that replacement contracts be submitted for contract 77-AP-024. The site is approximately 44 acres and is used as a horse ranch.

Background:

Government Code §51200 (known as the California Land Conservation Act of 1965 or the Williamson Act) provides that local jurisdictions may establish an agricultural preserve program having the goal of retaining land in an agricultural use. The County of Santa Barbara has adopted such a program which is codified under the Agricultural Preserve Program Uniform Rules. Both the County's Uniform Rules and the Government Code provide that agricultural preserve contracts between the County and landowners are voluntary. Therefore, there are no state mandates associated with this program.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

The costs associated with processing this replacement contract are offset by the \$1,326.00 processing fee required to be paid by the applicant per the Planning & Development adopted fee schedule.

Fees were collected on this agricultural preserve in accordance with the Board Resolution in effect at the time of application submittal (2005). On November 14, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved a revised fee schedule which eliminated specific categories of agricultural preserve application fees. This fee schedule went into effect on January 13, 2007 (60 days after approval).

Permit revenues are budgeted in the Permitting & Compliance Program of the Development Review, North Division on Page D-294 of the adopted 2006 – 2007 fiscal year budget.

Special Instructions:

Please distribute copies of the recorded contract with attached legal descriptions and copies of the Board of Supervisors Minute Order as follows:

P&D	Contract, Map
Assessor	Contract, Map
Surveyor	Contract
Clerk	Contract
Jeffrey and Joanne Lockwood	Contract, Map
P.O. Box 437	
Solvang CA 93464	

Attachments:

1. Agricultural Preserve Contracts
2. Legal Descriptions
3. Vicinity Map

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