



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Travis Seawards, Deputy Director, Development Review Division

STAFF CONTACT: Kathleen Volpi, Planner, (805) 568-2033 

DATE: February 20, 2026

HEARING DATE: February 24, 2026

RE: Araya and Hayduk Appeals of Promise Land LLC – As-Built Wall
25APL-00019, 25APL-00020, and 23CDH-000274
1690 San Leandro Lane

CONTINUANCE REQUEST BY APPELLANTS

The proposed project was appealed by two separate parties on September 29, 2025. The Appellant, Martha Hayduk, Appeal Case No. 25APL-00020, has requested a continuance of the February 24, 2026, hearing to allow additional time to prepare her presentation. Today, the second Appellant, Carlos Araya, has verbally requested a continuance via a phone call to the department as well.

Laurel Fisher Perez of SEPPS Land Use Consulting, representing the Applicant and Property Owner, has indicated the applicant would like to proceed with the hearing as scheduled on February 24, 2026.

The two parties are not in agreement. Planning & Development has informed the Appellants that their request for a continuance will be heard and considered by the Board at the February 24, 2026, hearing. If the Board does not continue the item, Planning & Development is prepared to move forward with the hearing on February 24, 2026.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Appellant Email
Attachment B – Agent Email

Cc: Case File (to Planner)
Hearing Support

From: Martha Hayduk <marti.hayduk@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2026 12:13 PM
To: Susan McKenzie
Subject: San Ysidro Creek Wall Hearing

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Hi Susan,

We are scheduled for a hearing 2/24/26 regarding our objection to the wall in San Ysidro Creek and I recently have been in communication with Kathleen Volpi.

Sadly, my time and attention have been consumed by my husband's numerous health issues and I am just now able to focus on preparing for our meeting.

I have numerous photos and videos and have arranged for a drone view below the tree line this weekend or Monday.

I'm afraid I was not aware of the requirement to submit all materials ahead of the meeting. I am so sorry but it seems we will again be required to postpone our meeting so I am able to follow correct procedure.

Any instruction/information you're able to provide would be appreciated.

Warmly,

Marti

From: Laurel Fisher Perez <laurel@sepps.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026 9:36 AM
To: Volpi, Kathleen
Cc: Dargel, Joseph; Kaitlyn Earnest
Subject: 1690 San Leandro Lane - BOS Appeal Hearing

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Good morning Kathleen,

I received your voice message last night regarding the appellant's interest in postponing the appeal hearing, which has been docketed and scheduled with the Board of Supervisors for next week, Tuesday, February 24th. Apparently, the appellant is seeking more time to provide information to support their appeal.

For the record, the applicant has waited MONTHS for this appeal hearing, which was initially planned to be heard in January but pushed to February 24th. There has been more than ample time for the appellant to submit information in support of their appeal. We will not accept another delay and intend to present our case to the Board of Supervisors on February 24th. Please make certain the Clerk of the Board notes our position. I will inform Supervisor Lee of the same.

Kind regards, Laurel

Laurel Fisher Perez, AICP
Principal Planner

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