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Meeting agenda of August 21, 2012 -- Public Hearing on Case No. 12APL-00000-00014 Appeal of John Olson regarding Devereaux Creek Properties Parcel Map Split

Honorable Doreen Farr, Chair

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu Street

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Supervisor Farr:

Recommendation:

Deny appeal of Mr. Olson Regarding the Devereaux Creek Properties Parcel Map Split

Discussion:

Please consider these facts when considering this appeal:

1. Property owner Mr. Mark Green has followed the requirements of the zoning, general plan and planning department in the parcel map split process,
2. The lot split will facilitate acquisition of the property by TPL (Trust for Public Land) and management and restoration by UCSB,

3. Many of us adjacent owners of property are pleased to see the area restored naturally along with considerable new public access, especially since the owner is to close the golf course (which is losing \$35,000 - \$50,000 a month according to Mr. Green),

4. TPL and UCSB have been working with neighborhood representatives in public and private meetings to insure that the new preserve is compatible with privacy and access goals,

5. The Ocean Meadows golf course conversion to a preserve is an economic stimulus and enhancement for the County and City of Goleta. When completed, approximately \$16 million in government and private foundation funds (\$7 million for acquisition and \$9 million for restoration) will be invested in our community to improve flood control, restore the environmental health of the area and create a natural public open space. Many jobs will be created during the restoration and sustained later in management of the large preserve.

I hope the Board will consider this project as an asset to the entire County of Santa Barbara and support TPL's efforts in the acquisition of the property.

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