



# County of Santa Barbara

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Minute Order

August 26, 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. 25-00751

**RE:** HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding an Open Space Element Update of Project Scoping and Options, as follows: (EST. TIME: 45 MIN.)

- a) Receive and file a report from the Planning and Development Department regarding a proposed update and amendment of the Open Space Element of the County Comprehensive Plan and options regarding the scope of the proposed update;
- b) Provide direction to staff regarding the scope of the update; and
- c) Determine that the recommended actions are not a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), finding that the actions consist of administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

HEARING TIME: 2:53 PM - 4:05 PM (1 HR. 12 MIN.)

Received and filed staff presentation and conducted a public hearing.

Claire Wineman, Eric Cardenas, Sharyn Main, Laurel Perez, Meredith Hendricks, Marc Chytalo, Noah Boland, Bryant Baker, and Candice Meneghin addressed the Board

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

- a) Received and filed;
- b) Directed staff, as follows: (1) Planning and Development staff to update the Open Space Element according to the moderate option; (2) Open Space Element be integrated into and combined with the conservation element that will be developed in the future; (3) Integrate the Open Space Element with other existing plans and ongoing planning efforts to address the goals of access climate resilience and rewilding; and (4) County staff to designate someone to participate and/or collaborate with the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) if the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) grant is awarded; and
- c) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:



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

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