

November 25, 2007

Santa Barbara Planning Commission  
123 East Anapamu Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: HUNTER/LA PURISIMA RESORT

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

It is respectfully requested that the above-referenced CONCEPTUAL project hearing scheduled for Wednesday, November 25, 2007, be continued until the first of the year. Whether intentional by the applicant or coincidental, notice of this hearing was not received by adjacent residents until two days before Thanksgiving. Some residents are away due to the holiday and many of our local residents are educators, health professionals and others actively engaged in public service and are therefore unable to attend a hearing at 9:00 A.M. on a weekday. The notification indicates that the referenced parcel is in the Cebada Canyon area, but in fact, it is completely adjacent to Tularosa Road, where impact from the proposed project will be most critical. As a resident of that area, I am in opposition to the CONCEPTUAL project in its entirety.

This parcel is zoned 100-AG. Historically, when the current golf course was approved, it was with the expressed intent that it would not be developed further and that the integrity of the land would be maintained and preserved. Critical considerations include the specific precedent in rezoning agricultural land for a purely commercial venture, location of the proposed project within a federal, state and county ecologically sensitive area, water shortages, noise and light pollution, and the sheer magnitude and long-term impact of an unmitigated land use proposal such as this one.

Rezoning of this parcel may be supported by some local officials and merchants with specific visions of potential revenues resulting from this project. This is not a suitable reason to approve such a proposal. When individual county residents are unable to make any modifications on AG/RES parcels without at least two biological studies and EIR considerations, it appears ludicrous to even consider this CONCEPTUAL project or give preferential approval to the applicant.

I respectfully request your consideration for a vote to OPPOSE the rezoning of the above-referenced parcel or approve a continuation for more public input. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Terry Larson  
1876 Tularosa Road  
Lompoc, CA 93436

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Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

The application to change the zoning for the above referenced project from 100-AG to commercial use would be a travesty of land use planning. The parcels are located in a bucolic rural setting in which the presence of the many residences are barely detectable. Along the 17 mile route between Lompoc and Buellton the use of land is for agriculture and homes. There is an abundance of wildlife which adds to the serenity. The night sky is dark and the Milky Way is like an ever present cloud overhead.

Please protect this area from misuse.

Sincerely,

Paul Larson  
1876 Tularosa Road  
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