



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Travis Seawards, Deputy Director, Development Review Division

STAFF CONTACT: Kevin De Los Santos, Planner, (805) 884-8051

DATE: January 29, 2025

HEARING DATE: February 4, 2025

RE: Cargasacchi Withdrawal of the Appeal of the Blanco Grading for Access Road Improvements Project, Case Nos. 24APL-00018 and 15LUP-00000-00072; End of Sweeney Road, APN 099-150-016

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Appellant, Patrick Morris (attorney) for John Cargassachi, withdrew the appeal (Case No. 24APL-00018) of the Blanco Grading for Access Road Improvements Project (Case No. 15LUP-00000-00072) on January 28, 2025. As a result of the Appellants' withdrawal of the appeal, the County Planning Commission's approval, dated July 10, 2024, of the Land Use Permit Case No. 15LUP-00000-00072 is final.

A copy of the Appellant's withdrawal of the appeal is included as Attachment 1 to this memorandum.

2.0 RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends your Board's motion should include the following:

- a) Acknowledge the withdrawal (Attachment 1) of the Appeal (Case No. 24APL-00018), of the Land Use Permit Case No. 15LUP-00000-00072 and that upon withdrawal of the Appeal, the County Planning Commission's approval of Case No. 15LUP-00000-00072 will stand;
- b) Acknowledge that upon withdrawal of the Appeal, there is no action for the Board of Supervisors to take on the Project or Appeal and drop the item from the Board of Supervisor's agenda; and

Appeal of Blanco Grading for Access Road Improvements Project (Case No. 15LUP-00000-00072)

Case No. 24APL-00018

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- c) Determine that the above action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).

Refer back to Staff if the Board of Supervisors takes other than the recommended actions.

Attachments:

1. Appellant's Withdrawal of Case No. 24APL-00018 dated January 28, 2025

Cc: Case File (to Planner)
Hearing Support

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Subject: 24APL-018; 15LUP-072; 23GRD-00221

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Dear Clerk of the Board:

This office represents John Cargasacchi, appellant in the above appeal, scheduled to be heard by the Board at its February 4, 2025 meeting, but not yet agendized.

Based upon the written representation of Joseph Dargel for the County of Santa Barbara, and that of the applicant, Henry "Hank" Blanco, that the County will issue the above permits for construction of a road conforming to revised plans as submitted to the County in December 2024, and Mr. Blanco will promptly proceed with the building of that road according to the December 2024 plans, and not the plans originally permitted, which were the subject of the above appeal, John Cargasacchi hereby **withdraws** his appeal.

Please confirm your receipt of this communication, and thank you and the Board for your assistance in this matter.

Thank you,

E. Patrick Morris

By this communication no client of this office makes any admission in whole or in part, nor waives in whole or in part any right, claim, remedy and/or defense not expressly released hereby, each and all of which are expressly reserved hereby.

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