



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Planning and
Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of: August 14, 2007
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: 2 minutes
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department John Baker, Director
Director Planning and Development
Contact Info: Zoraida Abresch, Deputy Director (934-6585)
Development Review - North County
SUBJECT: Hill Agricultural Preserve Replacement Contract, Santa Maria area

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: No

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: No

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Consider Case No. 07AGP-00000-00005 for approval of an agricultural preserve replacement contract for Mr. John Hill.

The Board of Supervisors action should include the following:

- A. Approve and direct execution and recordation by the Clerk of the Board of new contract 07AGP-00000-00005, replacing a portion of the original Agricultural Preserve 77-AP-054. The replacement contract involves Assessor's Parcel number 129-210-019 located approximately 1,500 feet southeast of the intersection of Long Canyon and Foxen Canyon Roads, in the Santa Maria area, Fifth Supervisorial District.

Summary Text:

The subject property has been in an agricultural preserve (77-AP-054) since January 1, 1978. The original preserve was approximately 56 acres and was comprised of two parcels. This agricultural preserve contract was non-renewed by the landowners on December 6, 2005. At that time the

landowners had indicated the agricultural preserve rules were too restrictive. The current contract is for 47.61 acres that are planted with irrigated pasture. The remainder parcel of 9 acres is still under non-renewal and would not qualify for the agricultural preserve program on its own.

Background:

Government Code §51200 (known as the California Land Conservation Act of 1965 or the Williamson Act) provides that local jurisdictions may establish an agricultural preserve program having the goal of retaining land in an agricultural use. The County of Santa Barbara has adopted such a program which is codified under the Agricultural Preserve Program Uniform Rules. Both the County's Uniform Rules and the Government Code provide that agricultural preserve contracts between the County and landowners are voluntary. Therefore, there are no state mandates associated with this program.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

On November 14, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved a revised fee schedule which eliminated specific categories of agricultural preserve application fees. Fees associated with replacement contracts have been waived by the Board of Supervisors. This fee schedule went into effect on January 13, 2007 (60 days after approval).

Funding for the contract review and preparation of this report is estimated to be \$1000.00, and is budgeted in the Permitting & Compliance Program of the Development Review, North Division on Page D-294 of the adopted 2006 – 2007 fiscal year budget.

Special Instructions:

Please distribute copies of the recorded contract with attached legal descriptions and copies of the Board of Supervisors Minute Order as follows:

P&D	Contract, Map
Assessor	Contract, Map
Surveyor	Contract
Clerk	Contract
Mr. John Hill	Contract, Map
24732 Palermo Drive	
Calabasas CA 91302	

Attachments:

1. Agricultural Preserve Contracts
2. Legal Descriptions
3. Vicinity Map

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