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Public Comment - Group 1

From:

TROY WHITE <twhite@twlandplan.com>

Sent:

Friday, October 2, 2020 8:23 AM

To:

Ramirez, Angelica

Subject:

Re: BOS 10/06/2020 - Applicant Presentation for Castlerock Appeal SUPPORT-Livingston-Simon-2020-10-01.pdf; SUPPORT-Castlerock-

Attachments:

RodneyWilliams-2020-07-06.pdf; SUPPORT-Levine-Joshua-2020-10-02.pdf; SUPPORT-

Castlerock-SeanHecht-2020-07-06.pdf; SUPPORT-Cuttrell-K-2020-09-25.pdf

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Hi Angelica:

Support letters emails attached for the Castlerock Project (Item #D-3, 10/06/2020). Hope to have more for you as the day progresses.

Thanks,

Troy A. White, AICP PRINCIPAL

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On Wed, Sep 30, 2020 at 10:52 AM Ramirez, Angelica < aramirez@countyofsb.org > wrote:

Good Morning,

All staff material is being prepped today in order to be distributed in binders tomorrow morning; if you would like your materials to go out with the staff material than we would need your PowerPoint by today. However, because this is a land-use appeal we require all documents over a page in length to be submitted to the Clerk of the Board by <u>Friday</u>, <u>October 2 at noon</u>. The agenda for October 6th will be published tomorrow morning and will be made available online at the same time.

In regards to comment letters, we will not be reading comments into the record but anyone interested in providing verbal comment can call 805-568-2240 and their name and item they wish to comment on; the public will have 3 minutes to address the Board unless otherwise stated by the Chair. If anyone wishes to provide written comment they



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Castlerock

1 message

Simon Livingston <simon.livingston@gmail.com> To: twhite@twlandplan.com Cc: Patrick Pflipsen <roxburycapital@gmail.com>

Thu, Oct 1, 2020 at 12:51 PM

Hey Troy,

Here's request for you and Patrick.

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors:

My name is Simon Livingston. I am a resident of Santa Barbara, CA and a local businessperson. I ask that you deny this appeal on grounds that this project has met all the permit requirements of the Land Use Development Code and has strived to address concerns raised by the appellant. Castlerock Family Farms II, LLC intends to run a 100%-compliant operation and will be amongst the most regulated businesses within the State of California, with annual site inspections conducted by the County Ag. Commissioner, Sherriff, Planning & Development, Regional Water Quality Control Board, etc. There is NO MERIT to the appeal. Please deny the appeal and uphold Staff and the Planning Commission's 5-0 Land Use Permit approval.

Regards,

Simon Livingston

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Castlerock Project Support - Please Read into Record

1 message

Rodney Williams < rwilliams@utech.net>

To: dvillalo@countyofsb.org Cc: twhite@twlandplan.com Mon, Jul 6, 2020 at 11:55 AM

My name is Rodney Williams. My family owns the ranch on which the Castlerock project will be located. I have lived in the Buellton/ Lompoc area my entire life. I am a fourth-generation cattle rancher and work with my two brothers, Jerry and JP, to help run Williams Livestock Company, grazing roughly 700 head on 25,000 acres of land—much of it leased—in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties. My grandfather owned the Buellton Livestock Market and my uncle owned a 6000-head capacity feedlot in Santa Maria for 30 years. I also own a local construction company.

Our property hosts 15-25 horses used in ranching operations and we maintain 40 head of cattle year-around on our 300 acres of land and wean 300 head of cattle on-site once a year for approximately three (3) months.

While our family have and will continue to live on-site and manage livestock on the property, we have always leased a small portion of our property for farming/ cultivation activities. This supplemental income stream is an important source of revenue for our family and helps to support the management and maintenance of our large ranch and related cattle operations.

We leased a small portion of our family property to Castlerock Family Farms group after spending much time with them, getting to know them, before signing a lease. We have the utmost confidence in this group and know that they will be good stewards of the land and will manage a compliant operation. We are pleased that Castlerock will not make use of harmful pesticides and know that their cannabis operations will be 100% compatible with our raising of livestock on-site.

We respectfully request your support of the Castlerock project by denying the appeal and approving this important cultivation project.

Thank you,

G. Rodney Williams

(805) 735-3449

Joshua LeVine 1102 Amoroso Place Venice, CA 90291

October 2, 2020

Honorable Board of Supervisors

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors,

My name is Joshua LeVine. I have known the members of Castlerock Family Farms for over 20 years in both a personal and professional capacity. I can without question say that the underlying owners are good people looking to run a good business. They are all standup individuals with a focus on integrity and supporting their local community. In other business dealings, I have seen that these owners have shown a commitment to honesty, ethics, and the rule of law. In a personal capacity, these owners have been long times friends of mine who have constantly supported my family, me as an individual and my children in the capacity that one would hope a true friend would. I cannot say enough positive things about the Members who make up the Castlerock Family Farms team.

I ask you to please support Castlerock Family Farms and deny this appeal and approve the project.

Sincerely,

Joshua LeVine



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1 message

Sean Hecht <Sean@hechtoffice.com>

Mon. Jul 6, 2020 at 11:29 AM

To: dvillalo@countyofsb.org

Cc: twhite@twlandplan.com, seanhecht@me.com

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Sean Hecht. I live locally and a partner in the Castlerock project. I own the La Purisima Golf Course and The Mission Club in Lompoc. I also am a co-owner in the California Wine Festival as well as having ownership interests in an international eco-resort.

I have read with much interest of complaints by the wine industry related to odors and terpene drift purportedly associated with cannabis cultivation. I've also been around long enough to witness the growth of the viticulture locally and the growing pains experienced by that industry. The proliferation of tasting rooms in the Valley, while once vilified by some, are now enjoyed by many. With the legalization of cannabis in California, we once again are experiencing change. Lands once dedicated to farming less profitable pursuits are now being converted to cannabis.

There is a vocal minority out there currently which purports to support "responsible" cannabis, but continues to appeal EVERY cannabis project that is proposed. For this group, it is always the wrong project in the wrong location.

I would argue-this time—that this is the right project in the right location.

The Castlerock Family Farms project is located over two miles from the City of Buellton and is setback substantially from Highway 246 and Santa Rosa Road. I have driven the adjacent roads. The project site is not visible and will further be screened by the applicant's proposed landscape screening.

Please support Castlerock Family Farms by approving the project.

Thank you,

Sean Hecht

Kirk Cuttrell 1114 State Street, Santa Barbara Calif. kirkcuttrell@cox.net

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors:

My name is Kirk Cuttrell. I am a resident of Santa Barbara and a local businessperson. I ask that you deny this appeal on grounds that this project has met all the permit requirements of the Land Use Development Code and has strived to address concerns raised by the appellant. Castlerock Family Farms II, LLC intends to run a 100%-compliant operation and will be amongst the most regulated businesses within the State of California, with annual site inspections conducted by the County Ag. Commissioner, Sherriff, Planning & Development, Regional Water Quality Control Board, etc. There is NO MERIT to the appeal. Please deny the appeal and uphold Staff and the Planning Commission's 5-0 Land Use Permit approval.

Sinerely,

Kirk Cuttrell

Ramirez, Angelica

From: TROY WHITE <twhite@twlandplan.com>
Sent: Friday, October 2, 2020 10:12 AM

To: Ramirez, Angelica

Subject: Re: BOS 10/06/2020 - Applicant Presentation for Castlerock Appeal

Attachments: SUPPORT-Farley-Don-2020-10-02.pdf

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Understood. Here's another support letter.

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On Fri, Oct 2, 2020 at 9:14 AM Ramirez, Angelica <aramirez@countyofsb.org> wrote:

Good Morning Troy,

Thank you for your email. Your comment letters will be added into the record and distributed to the Board of Supervisors. However, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors does not provide an option to read letters into the record at this time. Please see page two of the Agenda for alternative methods of public participation.

Although we are unable to read your letter into the record, the following option is available for you to address the Board of Supervisors directly:

By phone - If you would like to make a comment by phone, please call (805) 568-2240 and state your name, your phone number and which item you would like to speak on and the clerk will call you at the appropriate time. Please make every effort to be available and mute all streaming devices once it is your turn to speak.

Also, in order to insure that your comments are received please be sure to email them to sbcob@countyofsb.org.



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Castlerock farms project

1 message

Don Farley <techrepairs@cox.net> To: twhite@twlandplan.com

Fri, Oct 2, 2020 at 9:09 AM

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors:

My name is Donald Farley. As an investor in Castlerock, I have seen the great lengths Castlerock management have gone to in order to meet the stringent LUDC requirements as well as the attempt to address the insatiable demands of a vocal minority who continue to appeal nearly every project regardless of the reasonable lengths that an applicant is willing to go to in order address their concerns. Castlerock is committed to running its business in a compliant manner and will treat and pay its employees in a fair manner. Castlerock will also continue to strive to work with its neighbors to build and maintain positive relationships. Please allow Castlerock to move forward with their permit and deny this appeal. Thanks Don Farley

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone. Cell:8056982823. http://www.sbtechrepairs.com