

**COUNTY OF VENTURA
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ACTION MINUTES – MAY 9, 2012**

1. 1:00 P.M. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.
2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE.

Committee Scott Deardorff, District 1
Roll Call: Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Vice Chair
 Bob Pinkerton, District 3, Chairman
 Charles Schwabauer, District, 4
 Will Doyle, District 5

Ex-officio: Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner
(non-voting) Richard Enfield, UC Farm Advisor

Committee
Present: Pinkerton, Hedrick, Schwabauer, Doyle, Deardorff

Ex-officio
Present: None

Staff/Others Present: Nancy Parker and Rudy Martel, VC Agricultural Commissioner's Office; Shelley Sussman and Rosemary Rowan, VC Planning Department; Bill Camarillo and Jasch Janowicz, Agromin; Harold Edwards, Limoneira Company; Ralph Harrison and Jim Harrison, Harrison Industries; Mike Smith, Waste Management; Jeanette Lombardo, California Women for Agriculture; Lynn Jensen, Jensen Design/CO-LAB; Eric Walts, County Counsel; Martin Hernandez, Supervisor Long's Office; Julie Bulla, Land Use Consultant. Others may have been present and did not sign in.

3. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

None.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion: Approve agenda as shown.
By Schwabauer; seconded by Doyle.
Vote: 5-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

None.

6. CONSENT ITEM.

A. Approve Minutes of April 11, 2012
Motion: Approve February minutes as written.
By Hedrick; seconded by Doyle.
Vote: 5-0

(At this time, Bob Pinkerton and Sanger Hedrick recused themselves from the meeting, based on the subject matter of the upcoming Action Item regarding Agromin.)

7. ACTION ITEMS.

A. Agromin – Text Amendment.

Shelley Sussman of Ventura County Planning gave a PowerPoint presentation on a proposed text amendment that is being recommended by Agromin. The proposed text amendment is a request to change the County's Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance to allow for the building of large-scale commercial organics processing operations on 1,800 acres of land that is designated as "prime" in the State Important Farmland Inventory (IFI).

Motion: To accept the text amendment with a change from 1,800 acres to 200 acres.

By Doyle; seconded by Deardorff.

Vote: 3-0 (Pinkerton and Hedrick were not available for the vote due to recusal.)

(At this point in time, Bob Pinkerton and Sanger Hedrick returned to the meeting.)

8. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. Committee. None.

B. Staff. None.

C. Confirm Future Meeting Dates.

June 13, July 11, August - Dark. Bob reminded Committee members that if there are no viable agenda items, meetings may be cancelled.

9. MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

Motion: To adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

By Hedrick; seconded by Doyle.

Vote: 5-0