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Regular Meeting

Date: Monday, October 20, 2025
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Place: Ted Adcock Community Center – South Day Room
535 Kelly Avenue, Half Moon Bay, California

*****IN-PERSON WITH REMOTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AVAILABLE*****

This meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held at the Ted Adcock Community Center, South Day Room, located at 535 Kelly Avenue, Half Moon Bay, California. Members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting in person at the Ted Adcock Community Center, South Day Room, or remotely via the Zoom platform. For information regarding how to participate in the meeting, either in person or remotely, please refer to the instructions below.

Public Participation

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*Written public comments may be emailed to oboo@smcgov.org, and such written comments should indicate the specific agenda item on which you are commenting.

*Spoken public comments will be accepted during the meeting in-person or remotely through Zoom at the option of the speaker. Public comments in-person will be taken first, followed by speakers on Zoom.

***Please see instructions for written and spoken public comments at the end of this agenda.**

ADA Requests

Individuals who require special assistance or a disability related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, or who have a disability and wish to request an alternative format for the meeting, should contact Olivia Boo, Planning Liaison, as early as possible but no later than 10:00

a.m. on the business day before the meeting at (650) 363-1818 and/or oboo@smcgov.org. Notification in advance of the meeting will enable the County to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting, the materials related to it, and your ability to comment.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Member Roll Call**
3. **Oral Communications** to allow the public to address the Committee on any matter **not** on the agenda. If your subject is not on the agenda, the Chair will recognize you at this time. Speakers are customarily limited to 3 minutes. See instructions explained at the end of this agenda regarding instruction for public comment. *Please note that the Committee cannot discuss or act on an item not on the agenda.*
4. **Action to Set Agenda and To Approve Consent Agenda Items**
(This item is to set the final consent and regular agenda, and for the recommendation for approval, or approval, of the items listed on the consent agenda. All items on the consent agenda are approved by one action.)

Consent Agenda

5. **Consideration of Meeting Minutes** for the August 11, 2025 and September 8, 2025, AAC meetings.
6. **Owner/Applicant:** Daniel Sare and Natalie Sare
File Number: PLN2025-00295
Location: 78 Pilarcitos Creek Road, unincorporated Half Moon Bay
Assessor's Parcel No.: Portion of 056-380-110 (formerly 056-380-020 and portion of 056-380-060)

Consideration of an Agritourism Event for the temporary, seasonal Santa's Tree Farm operation starting on November 22, 2025, and ending on January 5, 2026. No operational changes from last season. Project Planner: Summer Burlison, sburlison@smcgov.org.

7. **Owner/Applicant:** Water Solutions Inc./ Joshua Skolnick
File Number: PLN2025-00081
Location: West of Cabrillo Highway in the community of Pescadero, unincorporated San Mateo County
Assessor's Parcel No.: 086-250-140, 086-250-150, 086-250-160

Consideration of a Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Planned Agricultural District (PAD) Permit, and Architectural Review Permit, for the drilling of a test domestic well to determine if adequate water is present to serve future development on an undeveloped

6.53-acre property. Two well locations are identified as potential well sites but only one well will be constructed and certified. The AAC previously recommended approval on June 12, 2022 for three test wells (PLN2022-00211); however, all three previously approved test wells were not found to be viable. The project is located in the Cabrillo Highway State Scenic Corridor. The CDP is appealable to the Coastal Commission. Project Planner: Kanoa Kelley, kkelley@smcgov.org.

End of Consent Agenda

8. **Committee Member Update(s) and/or Questions** to allow Committee Members to share news and/or concerns for items **not** on the agenda.
9. **Planning and Building Department Director's Report.** (*Planning Liaison*)
The next meeting is November 10, 2025.
10. **Committee Survey Results on (Committee) Functioning and Effectiveness.**
Presenter: Debbie Schechter, Schechter Consulting.
11. **Presentation on Proposed Farm Labor Housing Water System Program.** Presenter: Heather Forshey, Director of Environmental Health Services.

Regular Agenda

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| Owner/Applicant: | Peter Marchi & Son Farms/Smilin Dogs, Konrad Thaler |
| File Number: | PLN2021-00432 |
| Location: | 123 Seaside School Road, San Gregorio |
| Assessor's Parcel No.: | 081-250-030 |

Consideration of an After-the-Fact Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Planned Agricultural District Permit, Architectural Review Permit, and Kennel Permit to allow a dog walking operation for a maximum of 75 dogs per day (Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., no weekends) within a fenced 23-acre portion of a 150-acre parcel, and legalize a five-stall carport structure and three cargo storage containers that support the dog walking operation. The project is located in the Cabrillo Highway State Scenic Corridor. The CDP is appealable to the California Coastal Commission. Project Planner: Summer Burlison, sburlison@smcgov.org.

Action Request: That the AAC provide a recommendation to the Planning Commission on the subject application.

13. **Owner/Applicant:** Erik Markegard
File Number: PLN2023-00112
Location: 350 Madera Lane, San Gregorio
Assessor's Parcel No.: 081-320-030

UPDATED REPORT: Consideration of an After-the-Fact Planned Agricultural District (PAD) Permit to legalize the basement and first story of an existing cargo container storage building that was built without permits along with legalization of a man-made pond and a water tank on a legal 25,253 sq. ft. parcel. No trees were removed and approximately 98 cubic yards of grading was required for the pond. The property is located in the La Honda Road County Scenic Corridor and qualifies for a Coastal Development Exemption for agriculture-related development. Project Planner: Sonal Aggarwal, saggarwal@smcgov.org.

Action Request: That the AAC provide a recommendation to the Planning Commission on the subject application.

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14. **Continuation - Summary of AAC's April 2025 Special Workshop.** Presenters: AAC Chair, Natalie Sare, and Workshop Subcommittee.
15. **Adjournment**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE REGULAR MEETING

Materials Presented for the Meeting

Applicants and members of the public may submit materials to the Agricultural Advisory Committee. All materials (including but not limited to models and pictures) submitted on any item on the agenda are considered part of the administrative record for that item and must be retained by the Committee Secretary, or other designee. If you wish to retain the original of an item, a legible copy must be left with the Committee Secretary, or other designee.

Agendas & Staff Reports

To view the agenda, please visit our website at <https://planning.smcgov.org/agricultural-advisory-committee>. Staff reports will be available on the website one week prior to the meeting. For further information on any item listed below, please contact the corresponding Project Planner indicated. To subscribe to the Agricultural Advisory Committee agenda mailing list, please "subscribe" to email updates at the above website link.

Correspondence to the Committee

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Zoom

For any questions or concerns regarding Zoom, including troubleshooting, privacy, or security settings, please contact Zoom directly. See instructions below for public comment on Zoom.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is on November 10, 2025.

***INSTRUCTIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DURING MEETINGS**

Public comments in-person will be taken first, followed by speakers on Zoom.

In-person

If you wish to address the Members of the Agricultural Advisory Committee, please raise your hand for the Chair to acknowledge you. Once acknowledged, please start by clearly stating your first and last name for the record. If you have anything that you wish distributed to the Agricultural Advisory Committee and included in the official record, please hand it to the Committee Secretary and/or Chair, or other designee, who will distribute the information to the Agricultural Advisory Committee members and staff.

Via Zoom

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2. You may download the Zoom client or connect to the meeting using an internet browser. If using your browser, make sure you are using a current, up to date browser: Chrome 30+, Firefox 27+, Microsoft Edge 12+, Safari 7+. Certain functionalities may be disabled in older browsers including internet explorer.
3. You may be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
4. When the Committee calls for the item on which you wish to speak, click on "raise hand" or *9 if calling in on a phone. The Secretary will activate and unmute speakers in turn. Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak.
5. When called, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

Written Comments

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1. Your written comment should be emailed to oboo@smcgov.org.
2. Your email should include the specific agenda item on which you are commenting or note that your comment concerns an item that is not on the agenda or is on the consent agenda.
3. If your emailed comment is received by 5:00 p.m. on the business day before the meeting, it will be provided to the Members of the Agricultural Advisory Committee and made publicly available on the agenda website under the specific item to which your comment pertains. If emailed comments are received after 5:00 p.m. on the business day before the meeting, the Planning Liaison will make every effort to either (i) provide such emailed comments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee and make such emails publicly available on the agenda website prior to the meeting, or (ii) read such emails

during the meeting. Whether such emailed comments are forwarded and posted, or are read during the meeting, they will still be included in the administrative record.

Public records that relate to any item on the agenda for a regular meeting are available for public inspection. Those records that are distributed less than 72 hours prior to the meeting are available for public inspection at the same time they are distributed to all members, or a majority of the members of the Agricultural Advisory Committee.

ROLL SHEET – October 20, 2025

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| Natalie Sare Farmer | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| John Vars Farmer | X | X | X | | X | | X | X | | X | | X | |
| Peter Marchi Farmer | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| Ryan Casey Farmer | X | | X | X | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| Cole Mazariegos- Anastassiou Farmer | X | | X | | X | X | X | X | | X | X | X | |
| Crystal Chaix Farmer | | X | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| Daniel Theobald Ag Business | | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | X | | X | |
| Erik Hagstrom Public Member | | | | | | | | X | X | | | X | |
| Marilyn Johnson Public Member | | | | | | | | X | X | X | X | | |
| Non-Voting Members | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Vacant Conservationist | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Vacant - Natural Resource Conservation | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| San Mateo Co. Agricultural Commissioner: Koren Widdel | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| Farm Bureau Exec. Director: Jess Brown | | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | X | |
| UC Co-Op Extension Rep.: Dr. Igor Lacan | | | X | X | | | X | | X | | | | |
| Staff Liaison | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| San Mateo Co. Planning Liaison: Olivia Boo | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X [^] | X | |
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