



# County of San Mateo Planning & Building Department Agricultural Advisory Committee

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## DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

**Monday, December 8, 2025**

IN-PERSON WITH REMOTE PARTICIPATION

Once available, a full recording of this meeting can be accessed on the official government YouTube channel of the County of San Mateo at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2bWDXcW6FfdxVyR-V34oag>.

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Natalie Sare called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**2. Member Roll Call**

Regular Committee Members Present:

James Oku  
Natalie Sare  
Peter Marchi  
Ryan Casey  
Crystal Chaix  
Daniel Theobald  
Cole Mazariego-Anastassiou  
John Vars  
Marilyn Johnson

Regular Committee Members Not Present:

Erik Hagstrom

Nonvoting Committee Members Present:

Koren Widdel, San Mateo County Agricultural Commissioner

Nonvoting Committee Members Not Present:

Jess Brown, San Mateo County Farm Bureau Executive Director  
Igor Lacan, UC Co-Op Extension Representative

Planning Liaisons Present:

Olivia Boo, Planning Staff Liaison  
Robby Miller, Planning Staff Liaison

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**

Public Speaker, Kerry Burke  
Committee Member, Marilyn Johnson  
Legislative Aide for Supervisor Mueller, Mike O'Neill

4. **Committee Member Update(s) and/or Questions** to allow Committee Members to share news and/or concerns for items **not** on the agenda

**SPEAKERS**

Committee Member, James Oku  
San Mateo County Agricultural Commissioner, Koren Widdel  
Committee Vice Chair, Peter Marchi  
Committee Chair, Natalie Sare  
Committee Member, John Vars

5. **Planning and Building Department Report.**  
Robby Miller, Planning Liaison, presented the Planning Division's report.

**SPEAKERS**

None

6. **Consideration of Meeting Minutes** for November 10, 2025.

**SPEAKERS**

Committee Member, James Oku

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

Committee Member, James Oku, motioned to approve the minutes with two revisions.  
**Motion passed 9-0.**

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**Regular Agenda**

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

**SPEAKERS**

Committee Chair, Natalie Sare

8. **Adjournment.** Chair Natalie Sare adjourned the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

**ROLL SHEET – December 8, 2025**

	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Members</b>													
James Oku Farmer	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X
Natalie Sare Farmer	X	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	X
Ryan Casey Farmer	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cole Mazariegos-Anastassiou Farmer	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Crystal Chaix Farmer		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Daniel Theobald Ag Business	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X		X	X
Erik Hagstrom Public Member						X	X			X			
Marilyn Johnson Public Member						X	X	X	X		X	X	X
**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		X	
UC Co-Op Extension Rep.: Dr. Igor Lacan	X	X			X		X						
<b>Staff Liaison</b>													
San Mateo Co. Planning Liaison: Olivia Boo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X^	X	X	X	X
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