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Regular Meeting - Revised

REVISED TO REMOVE FEBRUARY 12, 2024 MINUTES FROM CONSENT AGENDA

AGRICULTURAL ADIVISORY COMMITTEE
Half Moon Bay Library, Community Room A
620 Correas St., Half Moon Bay
Monday, October 19, 2026
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
https://smcgov.zoom.us/j/85451443843

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

This meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held at the Half Moon Bay Library, Community Room A located at 620 Correas St., Half Moon Bay, California. Members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting in person at the office, 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.

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*Written public comments may be emailed to rmiller@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. All public comments must relate to something that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of this agency. If a comment does not relate to the subject matter jurisdiction of this agency, we will interrupt your comment and move on to the next speaker.

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

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CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW & RE-APPOINTED MEMBERS

PUBLIC COMMENT
*This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on any Agricultural Advisory Matter on consent agenda or matters not on the agenda. Public 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.*

ACTION TO SET AGENDA & TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
This item is to set the final consent agenda and regular agenda and for approval of the items listed on the consent agenda. All items on the consent agenda are approved by one action.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of the Minutes of the Agricultural Advisory Committee for October 21, 2024, and September 14, 2026.

2.

Owner:	Daniel and Natalie Sare
Applicant:	Daniel and Natalie Sare
File No.:	PLN2026-00319
Location:	78 Pilarcitos Creek Rd., Unincorporated Half Moon Bay
APN:	056-380-110

Consideration of an Agritourism Event for the temporary, seasonal Santa's Tree Farm operation starting on November 14, 2026 and ending on December 29, 2026. No operational changes from last season. Please direct any questions to Summer Burlison at sburlison@smcgov.org.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA
6:15

3. **Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Leasing Practices, etc. (40 min)** – Discussion with Brian Malone, Assistant General Manager.

4. **New Member Introductions (5 min)** - Presenters: Rick Hernandez, Public Member, and Kristen Kurczak Nightingale, Conservationist.

5. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS UPDATES & QUESTIONS** to allow Committee Members to share news and/or concerns for items not on the agenda

6. **PLANNING LIAISON REPORT**
Presenter: Robby Miller, County of San Mateo Planning & Building Department

7. **Officer Election for Chair and Vice Chair (15 min)** - Presenter: Robby Miller, Planning Liaison.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Next Meeting
The next regularly scheduled Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is on **November 9, 2026.**

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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://www.smcgov.org/planning/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.

Zoom
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*INSTRUCTIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DURING MEETINGS

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

In-person
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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 rmiller@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 19, 2026													
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct
Members													
James Oku Farmer		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Natalie Sare Farmer	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	
Cole Mazariegos-Anastassiou Farmer	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	
Marilyn Johnson Public Member	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Rick Hernandez Public Member													
Kristin Kurczak Nightingale 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.: Andrew Miller													
Staff Liaison													
San Mateo Co. Planning Liaison: Robby Miller	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

X: Present Blank Space: Absent or Excused Grey Color: No Meeting
*Special Meeting
**Position Vacant ^Alternate