



## PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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**WILLIAMSON ACT COMMITTEE**  
*Agricultural Center*  
**5630 South Broadway, Eureka**

**May 10, 2023 Draft Meeting Minutes**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Chair John Vevoda.

**II. Roll Call**

WAC Members Present: Jack Rice, John Vevoda, Martha Spencer, Mark Moore,  
Dean Hunt

Staff Members Present: Howard Lahie, John Ford, Cliff Johnson, Rodney Yandell, Audrey Hanks

**III. Agenda Modifications**

Martha Spencer thanked John Rice for his long service supporting the agricultural community and working on the Williamson Act Advisory Committee. The Committee welcomed new Committee member Jack Rice.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

Motion for approval of the August 11, 2021 meeting minutes (Hunt/Moore) Approved 4-0. Rice abstains.

Motion for approval of the June 27, 2022 meeting minutes (Spencer/Moore) Approved 4-0. Rice abstains.

**V. Scheduled Matters:**

**Item 1. The Wildlands Conservancy**

The Planning and Building Department is seeking a Committee Recommendation regarding a request to modify the existing Agricultural Preserve in order to build a berm to protect agricultural land vulnerable to displacement from rising sea levels.

Motion to find that the proposed agricultural protection berm is consistent with the Williamson Act Guidelines and Land Conservation Contract with the stipulation that the Land Conservation Contract be partially non-renewed. (Spencer/Moore,) Approved 4-0. Rice recused.

**Item 2. The Wildlands Conservancy**

The Planning and Building Department is seeking a Committee Recommendation regarding the establishment of a new Class B Preserve and Land Conservation Contract of 1,908 acres in the Alderpoint area.

Motion to recommend approval of the new Wildlands Conservancy Class B Preserve and Land Conservation Contract. (Hunt/Spencer). Approved 5-0.

**Item 3. Marshall Ranch, LLC**

The Planning and Building Department is seeking a Committee Recommendation regarding the establishment of a new Class B Preserve and Land Conservation Contract of 3,102 acres in the Briceland area.

Motion to recommend approval of the new Marshall Ranch, LLC Class B Preserve and Land Conservation Contract. (Moore/Rice) Approved 5-0.

- V. Old Business**                      None
- VI. New Business**                      None
- VII. Correspondence**                      None
- VIII. Public Comments**                      None
- IX. Adjournment**                      Motion to adjourn (Hunt/Spencer). Approved 5-0).  
The meeting was adjourned by Chair Vevoda at 4:13 p.m.