



SPECIAL MEETING
**Joint Meeting of the SPRINGS MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL and the
 NORTH SONOMA VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Notice of IN PERSON Meeting and Agenda
 Sonoma Valley Unified School District Boardroom
 17850 Railroad Ave, Sonoma, CA 95476
 September 24, 2024 6:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: As of March 1, 2023, the Governor has rescinded the Emergency Proclamation related to the COVID-19 pandemic. With this rescission, all Boards, Councils, and Commissions following the Brown Act must return to meeting in person with some limited exceptions for individual appointed and elected officials on a case-by-case basis.

Remote participation by the public may continue if there are sufficient staff resources to allow this option. For the September 24 meeting of the Springs Municipal Advisory Council and North Sonoma Valley Municipal Advisory Council, we will be offering a hybrid option for the public to view the meeting and make public comment. Please note this is a new development and we have limited staff resources, so this option is subject to technical difficulties.

Join Zoom Conference Meeting

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1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Springs MAC Roll Call
 NSV MAC Roll Call

2. Public Comment

Receive

(Limited to items not appearing on the agenda)

3. Safety Element Update and New Environmental Justice Element of the Sonoma County General Plan

Receive

Presentation by: Permit Sonoma Staff

Background is available on the General Plan Update website:

<https://permitsonoma.org/longrangeplans/proposedlong-rangeplans/generalplanupdate/environmentaljusticeandsafetylelementupdate>

Additional materials, including presentation, will be added no later than 72 hours before the meeting

Project Description: The County's General Plan is the blueprint for land use, development, and public action in the unincorporated County. It provides policies for balancing change and preservation within our communities, fostering healthy communities, and protecting environmental resources. At a July 23, 2024 meeting, the Board of Supervisors held a workshop on the General Plan 2020 [Safety Element Update and New Environmental Justice Element](#). The workshop presented the status of the update process, identified communities of focus for the elements, and included a discussion on policy approaches for prioritizing improvements in disadvantaged communities (known as Environmental Justice Communities) and how best to incorporate climate adaptation and resilience policy into the General Plan. The agenda materials for the Board of Supervisors workshop included Policy Frameworks that outline potential policy strategies to address hazard safety and environmental justice issues in Sonoma County. The Policy Frameworks were developed from community input obtained throughout the planning process thus far and are intended to facilitate the policy development process. The Board workshop agenda materials can be found [here](#) and a video of the workshop can be found [here](#).

On September 24, 2024, Planning staff from Permit Sonoma will 1) present an overview of the requirements for the Safety and Environmental Justice Elements, and 2) seek input from the North Sonoma Valley MAC, Springs MAC, and members of the public on Sonoma Valley’s policy priorities and ideas to protect the public from hazards and prioritize the needs of environmentally-burdened and under-resourced communities. Permit Sonoma staff will facilitate a discussion with MAC members and listen to comments from members of the public in attendance. Feedback from the meeting will inform the draft Safety and Environmental Justice Elements that will be released for a public review period prior to adoption.

These two element updates will be completed in advance of a comprehensive General Plan update process, which has recently begun, in order to comply with State mandates. The Board of Supervisors will hear an update from Permit Sonoma staff on the status of the comprehensive General Plan update process at their October 15th meeting in advance of the General Plan 2020 Safety and Environmental Justice Elements going before the Board for adoption.

- a. **Springs MAC Councilmember Questions for Planning Team**
- b. **North Sonoma Valley MAC Councilmember Questions for Planning Team**
- c. **Public Comment**
- d. **Permit Sonoma Staff Response** (if applicable)
- e. **Springs MAC Final Comments**
- f. **North Sonoma Valley MAC Final Comments**

4. Adjourn

Resolution

Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the Springs Municipal Advisory Council and North Sonoma Valley Advisory Council after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the Board of Supervisors’ Office located at 575 Administration Drive, Room 100-A1, Santa Rosa, CA, during normal business hours.

A **Receive** item indicates that the item is informational and the Commission will take no action.

A **Resolution** item indicates that the Commission will vote on a recommendation to the decision making body (e.g. Sonoma County Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustments, City of Sonoma Planning Commission).

Consideration of proposed development projects will proceed as follows:

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| 1. Presentation by project applicant | 4. Response by applicant, if required |
| 2. Questions by Commissioners | 5. Comments by Commissioners |
| 3. Questions and comments from the public | 6. Resolution, if indicated |
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