

LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

May 22, 2025

Commission Members

P Monica Rosenthal, District I
P Everardo Chavez, District II
A Batsulwin Brown, District III
P Maile Field, District IV
P Sharron Zoller, District V

Staff Members

P Mireya Turner, Director
V VACANT, Principal Planner
P Nicole Johnson, Deputy County Counsel
P Danae LoDolce, Office Assistant III

6b 10:03 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration of a proposed Major Use Permit (PL-25-68) for (UP 23-09) Poverty Flats Ranch, for a commercial cannabis cultivation for up to 5.69 acres (247,800 sf), and draft Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS 23-29); Poverty Flats Ranch / Kurt and Bobby Barthel; location: 10535 High Valley Road, Clearlake Oaks (APN: 006-004-22)

Planner II Max Stockton presented the staff report.

10:18 a.m. Break – Technical Difficulties

10:23 a.m. Back to Order

11:10 a.m. Opened Public Hearing

The following people spoke: North Point Consulting Agent Angie Dodd, Project Engineer Broge White, Applicant Kurt Barthel, Maria Kahn, Thomas Lajick, Chuck Lamb, Randy Wilk, Angela Amerall, Terry Yellitz and Cody Lack.

11:45 a.m. Closed Public Hearing

Comm. Rosenthal moved, 2nd by Comm. Zoller that the Planning Commission found that potential impacts associated with this project can be mitigated to 'less than significant' through the implementation of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS 23-20) submitted by Rusty and Bobby Barthel for the property located at 10535 High Valley Road, Clearlake Oaks, (APNs: 006-004-22) will not have a significant effect on the environment, and that the Planning Commission adopt Initial Study (IS 23-20) based on the findings listed in the staff report dated May 22, 2025.

INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (IS 23-20) 3 AYES 1 NO (CHAVEZ) 1 ABSENT (BROWN)

Comm. Rosenthal moved, 2nd by Comm. Zoller that the Planning Commission grant the Major Use Permit (PL-25-68) for (UP 23-09) applied for by Rusty and Bobby Barthel on property located at 10535 High Valley Road, Clearlake Oaks (APNs: 006-004-22) based on the findings and subject to the conditions included in the staff report dated May 22, 2025.

MAJOR USE PERMIT (PL-25-68) FOR (UP 23-09) 3 AYES 1 NO (CHAVEZ) 1 ABSENT (BROWN)