



Supplemental Agenda Related Writings/ Documents Provided To A Majority Of The Ridgecrest City Council / Successor Redevelopment Agency Board Members / Financing Authority / Housing Authority After Distribution Of The April 15, 2015 Agenda Packet

1. Amend Item 6

**Discussion And Approval Of Council Response To The Indian Wells Valley Land Use Management Plan** **Breden**

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April 15, 2015

Peggy Breeden  
Mayor

Kern County Board of Supervisors  
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James Sanders  
Mayor Pro Tempore

**Re.: The Indian Wells Valley Land Use Management Plan and the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)**

Lori Acton  
Vice Mayor

Honorable Supervisors:

Eddie B. Thomas  
Council Member

We appreciate the opportunity to respond.

Mike Mower  
Council Member

We were going to address this document as do all other responding agencies from their jurisdictional points of view, ours being that of land use. The designation of the A and A1 properties that were to be re-zoned commercial and industrial would have had a devastating effect on the City and we are pleased you chose another path.

Dennis Speer  
City Manager

We are at a point wherein the lifestyles of all water users in the Indian Wells Valley and California are changing. Gone will be the days of using water as we want or perceive we need to. We need to find ways to work together to conserve as much water as we can. We recognize conservation will not totally solve our problem. We must treat brackish water, import water and treat wastewater to the tertiary level. All of this will not be accomplished cheaply, quickly nor easily but it must be done.

Rachelle McQuiston  
Finance Director

The Indian Wells Valley Land Use Management Plan and the DEIR is supported by the City of Ridgecrest.

Dennis Speer  
Public Works Director

Ron Strand  
Chief of Police

There were many issues with the previous version of the document and deep and real concerns expressed by many in this valley including the City, city residents and county residents too. The Planning Department, and in particular Mrs. Oviatt, has not just heard all the comments but listened and acted upon them.

Rachel Ford  
City Clerk

The re-zoning of A and A-1 property in existing use has been eliminated and those properties five acres and under are left as they are. These are part of many compromises which benefitted us all. Those over 5 acres have the opportunity to request changes as they wish and we have heard Mrs., Oviatt promise help with that effort. We know there will be exceptions that may be needed and requested. We urge the Planning Department to accomplish this with fairness and in a timely manner.

We ask the need for the paving of roads to estate zoned properties be examined more fully. The area does not need roads paved in a willy nilly manner. A dirt road here and a paved road there accomplish nothing.

Does this document solve every problem? No it does not, however, it does offer a path to solutions and knowing that the Sustainable Plan (GSMA) will help implement solutions, as needed, with input from all, makes this document a doable effort.

Respectfully,  
Mayor Peggy Breeden and the Ridgecrest City Council

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