

From: [Bruce Gibson](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Cc: [Karen Dean](#); [Blake Fixler](#); rdienzo@cambriacsd.org
Subject: Support for Item 7E
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 10:02:17 AM

Dear President Dean and Members of the Board – I write in strong support of your staff’s recommendation to approve the time extension for the Peoples Self Help Housing (PSHH) project intent to serve letter.

As you know, PSHH is required to reapply for its land use permit/Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for the much-needed Cambria Pines Apartments project, due to delays in building permit processing and their need to finalize financing.

PSHH has informed me that they will be submitting exactly the same project as was previously approved and I have met with them to arrange expedited processing with our Planning Dept. The issues surrounding this project were thoroughly discussed in appeals to the Board of Supervisors and Coastal Commission and have not changed. Given that, I would expect no change in the approvals that both bodies gave.

The need for affordable housing grows ever more urgent and moving this project forward is crucial for many impacted families in Cambria. I appreciate the support of CCSD in making this effort successful.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bruce Gibson
Supervisor, District 2
San Luis Obispo County
Office: 805-781-4338

From: noreply@getstreamline.com
To: [Haley Dodson](#)
Subject: New form submission assigned to you: Written Public Comment
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 12:41:53 PM



Written Public Comment

First Name:	Lauren
Last Name:	Younger
Address:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Written Public Comment:	Zoom is quite wonderful and I encourage its continuance. I am curious, though, if it causes any problems for the board or staff. Please specify if it does.
Written Comment to be read at::	Board Meeting

[Reply / Manage](#)

From: [REDACTED]
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: January 19 2023 CSD meeting comments
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 1:10:29 PM

Hi, Haley --

Scout and I are attending from home today, car issues. I have comments on Items 6, Utilities Report; Item 7E; and Item 9. I will give them via Zoom, and include them below for the public record. Thanks.

Item 6 Utilities Report Manager Ray Dienzo, pages 35-55.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Thank you, and Mr. Dienzo, for the charts included in the Utilities Report, on pages 39-41 and 55. Perhaps Mr. Dienzo could elaborate on them. The Emergency Water Supply project, Sustainable Water Facility, Water Reclamation Facility Coastal Development Permit application is at the top of the first list, with supporting information in the two charts on pages 41 and 55. Those charts contain helpful general information, and document the changing scope and name changes over the years. That alone is a source of confusion to the public. The chart lacks specifics as to dates and staff members accountable.

He describes the chart on page 55 as a “high-level timeline” but it includes only historical dates and a two-year window for the Adaptive Management Plan annual report, Endangered Species Act Section 7 consultation and preparation of AMP review. Could Mr. Dienzo elaborate?

When the Instream Flow Study draft is released to Technical Advisory Committee members, could the public be included? When will the TAC meet? Is that meeting open to the public?

The project was constructed nine years ago. It’s unclear whether it was new when the district acquired it. How long is its useful life?

Eight of the 15 projects in the Engineering chart on pages 39-40 indicate No change from last month. For the public to understand the status of those projects, they have to go back to the previous month and search for the chart. Please include the actual progress reports in the chart. Has there been no progress in relocating the EV Charging Station?

I found the chart on page 55 difficult to read on my computer screen. Viewing it requires reducing the page size and rotating the image. In line with the district’s Strategic Plan goal of improving public communication, is it possible for charts to be more user-friendly? Thank you.

7E Extension of the Peoples Self Help Housing Intent to Serve letter, pages 85-93.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cambria needs affordable housing. This project presents many problems and is not going to provide any housing in the foreseeable future. Having this permit on the books makes it appear that Cambria is addressing affordable housing without anything actually being done.

I wish I had better answers to Cambria's housing problems. It appears to me that we have plenty of housing, but a third of it is vacant most of the time. I'd like to find a way to use that to address affordability.

But that's a subject for another time and place. As today's agenda notes in 8D, without changes in water planning, particularly with regard to the EWS/SWF/WRF CDP, the district can't make any changes to Affordable Housing allocations, and we just went through how that isn't happening.

The agenda includes the water conservation requirements that are a condition of the project, but doesn't mention the traffic and fire considerations. This project will add 30 to 60 cars to a two-lane, single-access street. This seems like a recipe for daily congestion and, in the event of an evacuation emergency, tragedy.

This is the second extension for the Intent to Serve letter. ITS letters have expiration dates because projects need to move along or end. Extensions are allowed because of the inevitability of delays along the way. In this case, the expiration of the first extension is an opportunity to resolve this project by allowing the letter to expire without a second extension. Thank you.

Item 9 Future Agenda Items:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

During the recent storms, Chief Vincent was able to communicate directly with the public through postings on social media and other outlets. As the district's top emergency responder, his perspective and decisions needed the most direct route to the public, rather than being routed through other administrators. Please consider revising the district's rules on public communication to allow him to continue that direct communication role in future emergencies. Thank you.

--

Christine Heinrichs