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Land Use Planning Urban Design

Appeal of the Board of Zoning Adjustments Action Hop Kiln Winery

On April 2, 2015, the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) approved the Use Permit request for the expansion of Hop Kiln Winery (PLP13-0011) with conditions. Although we realize the appeal hearing before the Board of Supervisors is a de novo hearing, we wish to thank the Board of Zoning Adjustments for their approval of:

- The requested 9,200 case increase in production,
- The general site layout, and
- Storage of case goods in the existing barn, which has been part of the bonded winery since 1981.

However, we must appeal the following:

- Restricting the number of agricultural promotional events to 4 (four) per year with a size limit of 100 persons.
- Prohibiting the use of <u>all</u> outdoor areas after 5pm.
- Requiring that the wine production building be fully enclosed.

Events:

- 1. The Hop Kiln Winery is an existing 20,800 case winery, with a history of events since opening day in 1976. Documentation of these events was presented to the BZA. The types of historic events ranged from participation in industry-wide events to weddings. Members of the public stated that they have attended many events at the Hop Kiln under the former owner, Marty Griffin. Mr. Griffin represented to the current owners that events were allowed.
- 2. Restricting the number of events to four (4) was not based on any evidence of potential environmental impact.
- 3. In response to the Westside Advisory Group, the applicant reduced the number and intensity of events and offered a scheduling system, which prevents the occurrence of an over-concentration of events at the Hop Kiln winery.
- 4. Staff had recommended 16 events based on their analysis of potential impact and what has been permitted in the area. Although less than applied for, the applicant accepted staff's recommendation.
- 5. Agricultural promotional events are consistent with and supported by numerous policies in the Land Use and Agricultural Resources elements of the General Plan.
- 6. Agricultural promotional events are critical to the industry. As stated by Commissioner Bennett: "The purpose of the wine industry is business... The wine industry events and wine clubs are keeping the wine industry going and keeping them prosperous."

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Outdoor Areas - Events:

A very detailed and comprehensive noise analysis was performed. The analysis concluded that with the installation of a 6 ft. sound fence along a portion of the southern property line, the noise criteria of Table NE-2 of the General Plan would be met. The applicant offered to restrict the use of the two front lawn areas during the evening hours out of respect for the adjoining neighbor, Rochioli Winery. Restricting the use of all outdoor areas did not appear to be based on policy, precedent or in order to reduce a potential impact.

Building Design

A portion of the Hop Kiln Winery is within a Historic District. Building within a Historic District is subject to approval of the Landmarks Commission. The winery building is also subject to review by the county's Design Review Board. Appropriately, the BZA does have jurisdiction over site layout. The BZA did not have an issue with the site layout. Enclosing of the building was partially in response to a potential noise issue. However, alternative noise mitigations are available. The Landmarks Commission supported the openness of the building. The design of the building should be the purview of the county Design Review Board and the Landmarks Commission.

Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Adjustments Appeal Form

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COUNTY OF SONOMA PERMIT AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

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Application Fees / Invoice for: PLP13-0011

Project Address:

6050 WESTSIDE RD HEA

Cross Street:

SWEETWATER SPRINGS RD

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APN: 110-160-016 Initialized by:

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Activity Type:

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Description:

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Owner:

WESTSIDE GRAPES LLC

6050 WESTSIDE RD HEALDSBURG CA

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Applicant: WESTSIDE GRAPES LLC

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