

## Save Open Space P.O. Box 1284 Agoura Hills, CA 91376

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Re: City Council agenda item tonight: New Committee on AVSP

Dear City Council:

For almost 2 years and several communications later Save Open Space has been requesting an update for the old outdated 2006/8 AVSP. The city already had a large AVSP committee which developed the existing plan. Recently, the city did an expensive marketing study on AVSP.

The marketing study's scope failed to look at additional uses like more housing especially Senior housing. The marketing study failed to address eliminating the office and the majority of the retail. These uses are not now viable in today's market. Agoura Hills housing is the critical market today.

Now, yet another delay? In all our many communications with the city, we were never told that you were starting another time consuming committee. Our correspondence addressed the extremely high density ("worst case scenario" per former Planning Director's memo) as not consistent with this semi-rural urban scenic interface area and traffic concerns.

Unfortunately, we believe that there is only one person nominated for this committee that has been an active participant in the AVSP process and has knowledge of the existing AVSP's and our community's concerns.

Please continue the decision about a new AVSP committee for the next council meeting since the notice was just released to the public a few days ago. We are officially requesting a continuance to this agenda item. What is the purpose of this committee?

Or better yet, just table the new committee idea. We believe that a new AVSP committee is not necessary. As City Council members, you yourselves can add updates (as you did eliminating the roundabout) to the existing AVSP after 2 years of listening to the community on the existing AVSP.

Mary Wiesbrock, Chair Save Open Space