

Letter: County taking action on Meyers

To the community,

Reporting from the Oct. 16 El Dorado County Planning Commission meeting:

After a member of the Planning Commission commented that he gives more weight to the comments of the public members who were able to attend today (vs. the public feedback provided at all previous meetings, the community “vote” on height last spring, the surveys collected by both the EDC and our community), the Planning Commission recommended the following to the Board of Supervisors for our Meyers plan:

1. Do not create a Meyers Advisory Council that is subject to public process rules (e.g. the Brown Act) – in other words, keep it as an informal group, “encourage them” (but do not require) to post agendas, do not require minutes, etc.
2. Move the maximum height to 42 feet (majority community response to date = 35 feet max);
3. Move the maximum density (units per acre) for tourist units (hotels/motels) back up to 40 units/acre for entire community center (majority community response to date = 15 units/acre or less);
4. It was uncertain, but they appeared to discuss re-considering the extras for the incentive project (aka Catalyst Project) in the Plan. We will confirm but it appears they decided to leave this decision to the Board of Supervisors (at the upcoming Oct. 28 hearing).

Our concern continues to be a transparent, clear, public process for our community. We are concerned that the community

input to date was mostly ignored. How many people simply had to work Thursday morning and could not attend?

We strongly encourage you to attend the Oct. 28 Board of Supervisors meeting. If you cannot attend, then please send comments in advance – we are happy to provide email addresses and/or mailing addresses.

Thank you,

Jennifer Quashnick, Moya Saunders and Angela Olson, Meyers residents