Cortina Community Services District PO Box 43 Arbuckle CA 95912

Karl Drexel, General Manager (707) 318-7369 karl@kdmanagement.us



Rod Bradford, Chairman Dolores Gomez, Vice Chair Kimberly Valles, Director Victor Zarate, Director Lacey Gimple, Director

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING Arbuckle Golf Course 5918 Hillgate Rd, Arbuckle, CA 95912 NOVEMBER 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM

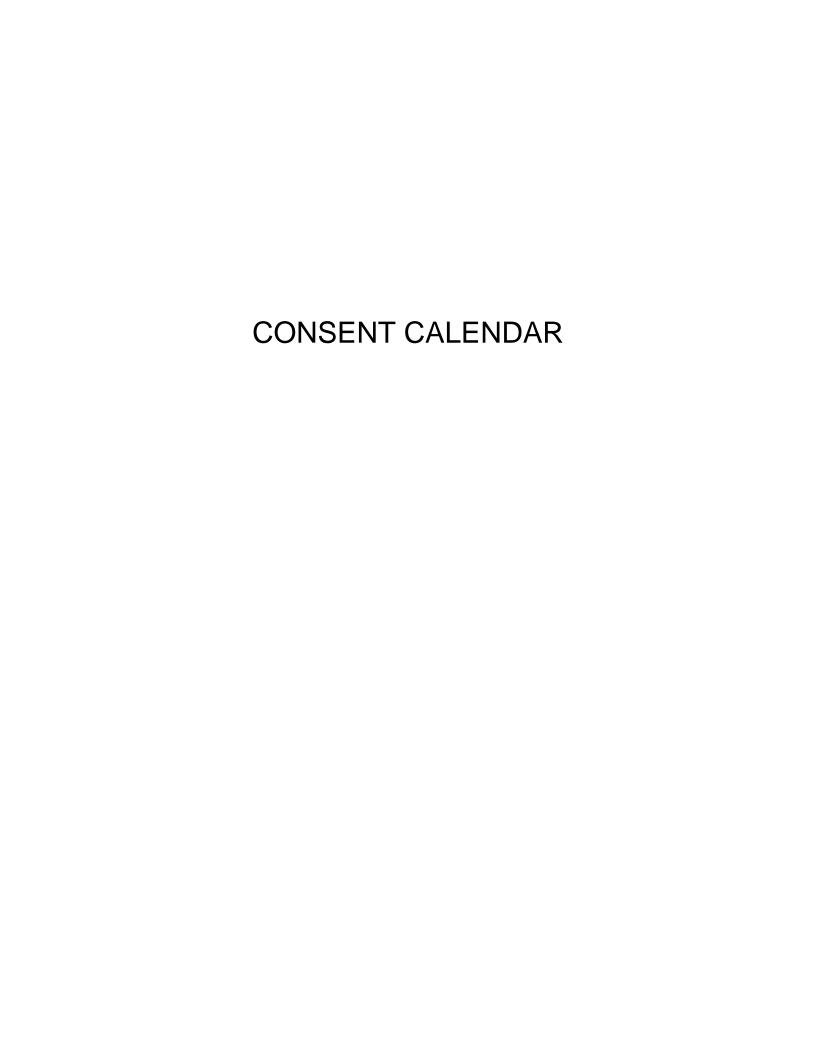
1.	CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM:
	Cortina CSD Board of Directors Roll Call: President: Bradford Members: Gomez Valles
	Zarate Gimple
2.	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
3.	PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Each speaker is limited to two minutes)
	Members of the public are appreciated for taking the time to attend this meeting and provide comments
	on matters of District business. Any member of the public may address the Board relating to any matter
	within the District's jurisdiction. This need not be related to any item on the agenda; however, the Board
	cannot act on an item unless it was noticed on the agenda.
4.	CONSENT CALENDAR
	a) Review and Approve the minutes to August 26 Board Meeting
	h) Pavious and approve the Sept Oct Disburgements

- b) Review and approve the Sept-Oct Disbursements
- c) Review and approve the November Payables
- d) Review and Discuss Budget vs Actual 24-25
- e) Review and approve the YTD Financials

5. DISCUSSION / REPORTS: ACTION ITEMS:

- a) Review and Discuss Landscaping Maintenance. Guests Morales Gardening
- b) Review and Discuss Reddington Ranch Pathway Project
- c) Discuss Cameras at Reddington Ranch pathway
- d) Review and Discuss Hydrant and sidewalk damage in Reddington Ranch
- e) Update on Assessments and disbanding the CFD
- f) Abandoning the Hillgate Development
- g) CORRESPONDENCE, STAFF and BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: Updates and New Business
- h) <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>:

The next Cortina CSD Board Meeting, a virtual meeting, is scheduled to be held on January 27, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the Arbuckle Golf Club



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Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

August 26, 2024, at 6:00 pm

Minutes

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM Board President Rod Bradford called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Roll Call Present were board members Rod Bradford, Dolores Gomez, Kimberley Valles, Victor Zarate, on her way was Lacey Gimple, Also present, General manager, Karl Drexel of KD Management Services, LLC. Also attending were Fernando Sr., Fernando Jr. and Rose Morales from Morales Gardening, the district's new landscaping company.
- 2. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE Rod Bradford led the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT No Public Comment
- 4. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - a) Review and Approve the Minutes of July 17,2024 and August 5, 2024, meetings
 - b) Review and Approve the July Disbursements
 - c) Review and Approve the Aug-Sept Payables
 - d) Review and Approve the YTD Financials

Motion made by:	Kim Valles to Approve the Consent Calendar	Motion seconded by:	Victor Zarate
Ayes:	Rod Bradford, Dolores Gomez, Kimberly Valles Lacey Gimple and Victor Zarate	Noes:	None
Abstained:	None	Absent	None

5. DISCUSSION / REPORTS: ACTION ITEMS:

a) Meet with Fernando Morales of Morales Landscape and Gardening

Fernando Morales Jr. introduced the Board to his father and founder of the firm, Fernando Morales Sr. and his wife, Office Manager, Rose Morales. Fernando talked about the firm and their plans and procedures for the Cortina Landscaping maintenance. Discussion was had regarding the pruning along the Reddington Ranch walking path. It was determined that the bushes along the fence side would be allowed to grow out and when pruning is done, it is done with the proper tools. The bushes on the creek side are to be allowed to continue to grow to establish the root system for bank protection. However, the weeds are to be weed-whacked all the way up to the edge, so tall weeds don't block the view of the creek. Fernando will be observant over the winter to any new planting suggestions including some pollinator plants.

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- **b) Update Reddington Ranch Path Project** The General Manager reported that the District's engineers, California Engineering Company, are working on the plans and thought we could go out to bid in September.
- **c) Update on CFD Dissolution** The General Manager reported that he had talked to the new attorney regarding the Dissolution of the CFD, and gave them the go-ahead to start working on that. They did make the suggestion that we lower the rate, which the Board agreed to at the previous meeting.
- **6. ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourn at 6:53 pm Next meeting will be a Regular Meeting to be held on November 26, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the Arbuckle Golf Club.

Attest	Approved	
	Rod Bradford, Chair	
Karl Drexel, Secretary		

Cortina Community Services District

Sept - Oct Disbursements August 15 through November 12, 2024

Туре	Num	Date	Name	Account	Original Amount
			A Associate BUB	40040 County Auditory 00544 Red Rese	244.70
Bill Pmt -Check	477407	09/19/2024	Arbuckle PUD	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-211.76
Bill Pmt -Check	477407	09/19/2024	Arbuckle PUD	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-54.60
Bill Pmt -Check	477416	09/19/2024	KD Management	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-1,247.40
Bill Pmt -Check	477416	09/19/2024	KD Management	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-340.20
Bill Pmt -Check	477416	09/19/2024	KD Management	10030 · County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-302.40
Bill Pmt -Check	477418	09/19/2024	PGE	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-506.08
Bill Pmt -Check	477418	09/19/2024	PGE	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-179.35
Bill Pmt -Check	477418	09/19/2024	PGE	10030 - County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-102.48
Bill Pmt -Check	477424	09/19/2024	Streamline	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-41.58
Bill Pmt -Check	477424	09/19/2024	Streamline	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-11.34
Bill Pmt -Check	477424	09/19/2024	Streamline	10030 · County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-10.08
Bill Pmt -Check	477428	09/19/2024	CEC	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-3,595.00
Bill Pmt -Check	477428	09/19/2024	CEC	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-2,270.00
Bill Pmt -Check	477432	09/19/2024	Morales Gardening & Landscape	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-4,615.00
Bill Pmt -Check	477432	09/19/2024	Morales Gardening & Landscape	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-2,245.00
Bill Pmt -Check	477433	09/19/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-1,473.12
Bill Pmt -Check	477433	09/19/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-401.76
Bill Pmt -Check	477433	09/19/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley	10030 · County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-357.12
Bill Pmt -Check	477434	09/19/2024	Yellow Tree	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-1,000.00
Bill Pmt -Check	477448	09/20/2024	Sam Aulgur	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-2,200.00
Bill Pmt -Check	478022	10/17/2024	Arbuckie PUD	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-223.54
Bill Pmt -Check	478022	10/17/2024	Arbuckie PUD	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-54.60
Bill Pmt -Check	478033	10/17/2024	KD Management	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-854.70
Bill Pmt -Check	478033	10/17/2024	KD Management	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-233.10
Bill Pmt -Check	478033	10/17/2024	KD Management	10030 - County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-207.20
Bill Pmt -Check	478033	10/17/2024	Streamline	10030 · County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-10.08
Bill Pmt -Check	478044	10/17/2024	Streamline	10010 · County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-41.58
Bill Pmt -Check	478044	10/17/2024	Streamline	10020 - County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-11.34
Bill Pmt -Check	478052	10/17/2024	Morales Gardening & Landscape	10010 - County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-4,615.00
Bill Pmt -Check	478052	10/17/2024	Morales Gardening & Landscape	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-2,245.00
Bill Pmt -Check	478053	10/17/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley	10010 - County Auditor - 03511 Red Ranc	-2,328.48
Bill Pmt -Check	478053	10/17/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley	10020 · County Auditor - 03512 Riv Glen	-635.04
Bill Pmt -Check	478053	10/17/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley	10030 · County Auditor - 03513 Wildwood	-564.48
				Total	-33,188.41

Cortina Community Services District Oct-November Payables As of November 12, 2024

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	> 90	TOTAL
Arbuckle PUD	270.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	270.10
Botanica Landscapes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,550.00	3,550.00
California Special Districts Association	0.00	1,537.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,537.00
CEC	0.00	4,111.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,111.00
Colusa County Elections Dept	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-471.07	-471.07
KD Management	0.00	1,715.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,715.00
Maloof Law Group	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Morales Gardening & Landscape	6,860.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,860.00
NBS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PGE	806.10	805.45	789.16	0.00	-210.67	2,190.04
Streamline	0.00	63.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	63.00
TOTAL	7,936.20	8,231.45	789.16	0.00	2,868.26	19,825.07

Cortina Community Services District Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 1 through November 20, 2024

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	Jul 1 - Nov 20, 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
410510 · Property Assessment	232,128.00	232,128.00	0.00	100.0%
44190 · Interest	0.00	2,528.57	-2,528.57	0.0%
441901 · Interest Adj. to Mkt Value	0.00	425.00	-425.00	0.0%
47900 · Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Income	232,128.00	235,081.57	-2,953.57	98.74%
Expense				
3170 - Office Expense	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
53120 · Colusa County Elections Dept	0.00	461.00	-461.00	0.0%
53240 · Reimburse Expenses - Per Diem	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
53229 · Indirect Overhead Costs	0.00	7,367.00	-7,367.00	0.0%
53150 · Dues and Subscriptions	1,537.00	1,440.00	97.00	106.74%
53130 · Maintenance - Bldgs and Grounds	0.00	2,550.00	-2,550.00	0.0%
53135 - Finance Charge	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
53170 · Office Expense	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
53171 · Postage	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
53175 · Insurance Expense	0.00	2,780.00	-2,780.00	0.0%
53180 · Professional Services				
53187 · Road Maintenance	0.00	7,550.00	-7,550.00	0.0%
53186 · Elections	0.00	461.00	-461.00	0.0%
53181 · Accounting/Audit	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
53182 · Consulting	11,470.00	40,760.00	-29,290.00	28.14%
53183 · Engineering	17,808.00	4,000.00	13,808.00	445.2%
53184 · Legal	10,775.00	12,088.20	-1,313.20	89.14%
53185 · Landscape Maintenance	27,310.42	23,916.67	3,393.75	114.19%
53180 · Professional Services - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 53180 · Professional Services	67,363.42	98,775.87	-31,412.45	68.2%
53190 · Publications and Legal Notices	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
53260 · Utilities				
53262 · Street Lights	3,993.42	5,086.66	-1,093.24	78.51%
53263 · Irrigation Controller	9.26	147.00	-137.74	6.3%
53264 · Water Service	1,347.32	1,283.33	63.99	104.99%
53260 · Utilities - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 53260 · Utilities	5,350.00	6,516.99	-1,166.99	82.09%
53265 - Web Hosting	315.00	438.66	-123.66	71.81%
Total Expense	74,565.42	122,679.52	-48,114.10	60.78%
Net Ordinary Income	157,562.58	112,402.05	45,160.53	140.18%
ncome	157,562.58	112,402.05	45,160.53	140.18%

Cortina Community Services District Profit & Loss by Class July 1 through November 20, 2024

	03511 - Reddington	03512 - River Glen	03513 - Wildwood	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
410510 · Property Assessment	154,008.00	43,524.00	34,596.00	232,128.00
Total Income	154,008.00	43,524.00	34,596.00	232,128.00
Expense				
53150 · Dues and Subscriptions	1,014.42	276.66	245.92	1,537.00
53180 · Professional Services				
53182 · Consulting	7,570.20	2,064.60	1,835.20	11,470.00
53183 · Engineering	17,808.00	0.00	0.00	17,808.00
53184 · Legal	7,111.50	1,939.50	1,724.00	10,775.00
53185 · Landscape Maintenance	19,352.92	7,957.50	0.00	27,310.42
Total 53180 · Professional Services	51,842.62	11,961.60	3,559.20	67,363.42
53260 · Utilities				
53262 · Street Lights	2,574.89	902.69	515.84	3,993.42
53263 · Irrigation Controller	4.63	4.63	0.00	9.26
53264 · Water Service	1,074.32	273.00	0.00	1,347.32
Total 53260 · Utilities	3,653.84	1,180.32	515.84	5,350.00
53265 - Web Hosting	207.90	56.70	50.40	315.00
Total Expense	56,718.78	13,475.28	4,371.36	74,565.42
Net Ordinary Income	97,289.22	30,048.72	30,224.64	157,562.58
Income	97,289.22	30,048.72	30,224.64	157,562.58

DISCUSSION / REPORTS ACTION ITEMS



TO: CORTINA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

FROM: KARL DREXEL, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: REVIEW AND DISCUSS LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

BACKGROUND:

Morales Gardening and Landscape has been our maintenance company now for 5 months. I asked them to update the me and the board on any issues still hanging on. It appears that the irrigation system still is having issues, and they are going to be at the meeting to explain.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the board come to the meeting with any questions or concerns for the Morales'.

From: Fernando Morales
To: karl@kdmanagement.us
Subject: Re: Landscaping

Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024 10:04:41 AM

Good morning, Karl,

I'm planning on headed out today out there to capture additional drone footage and share it on the updated BOX folder.

Zoning plan is being complied to be submitted for record back to Cortina.

Rose is working on plant palette and she can provide a eta for completion of this.

I am working out the outline for irrigation as we still have issues. We can discuss this further on a follow up phone call this week.

If you have any questions, please call me or email me if you like.

Thank-you

Fernando Morales

Project Manager



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From: Karl Drexel < karl@kdmanagement.us> Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2024 9:57:18 AM

To: Fernando Morales <Fernando@moralesgardening.com>

Subject: FW: Landscaping

From: Karl Drexel <karl@kdmanagement.us> Sent: Monday, November 11, 2024 10:20 AM

To: 'Fernando Morales' <Fernando@moralesgardening.com>

Subject: Landscaping

Good morning Fernando,

I am reviewing the minutes of our last meeting when you were there and want o follow up on a couple of things.

- 1. Sprinklers Are all of the sprinklers fixed and operating now? We want to winterize everything, so the schedule needs to be OFF, unless we get a really warm stretch or no rain after this.
- 2. Zoning Plan You mentioned a zoning plan with pictures. Has that been set up, and how is it accessed?
- 3. Plant Palette Were you able to find the as-builts for the landscaping at the County to get the original plant palette?
- 4. Drone pictures Where can we find the drone pictures you've taken?

Thanks

Karl

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TO: CORTINA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

FROM: KARL DREXEL, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: REVIEW AND DISCUSS REDDINGTON RANCH PATHWAY PROJECT

BACKGROUND:

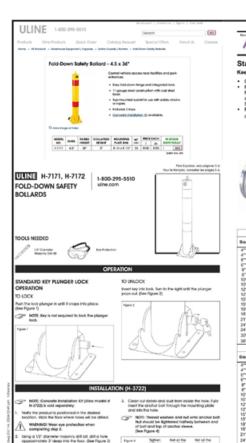
California Engineering Company (CEC), the District's Engineer, has produced the plans, specifications and bid documents for the repairs on the Redington Ranch walking path. During the work, we discussed the schedule to put the plans out to bid and it was determined that the best time would be after the first of the year for several reasons. First the plans just got done in late October. CEC was ready to put the plans out to bid, but after further discussion, we thought bidding in January or February for spring construction might give us a better result. Bidding in October, when companies are trying to finish up jobs they already have before the winter rains and freezing temperatures would distract from them sharpening their pencil. When companies are sitting around not able to work because of rain and winter days, we thought they might be more willing to give us a better price. Also, trying to get the job bid, and construction started, we would be right in the middle of rainy season and construction would be delayed anyhow. So the plan is to put the project out to bid in January/February for March/April Construction.

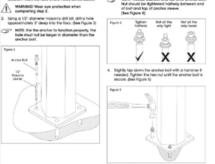
The plans and specifications to not translate to 8.5x11 and the bid document is over 80 pages, so they are not in the Board Packets. I have attached some pages from the plans and specs for your review.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and discuss the plans and specs and authorize CEC to put the project out to bid in January or February, depending on their schedule.







5. Depeat for remaining anchors. SCALE: NTS A





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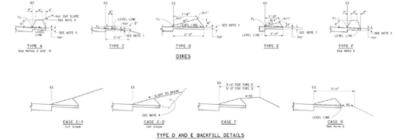




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4"	Wx f	W x 1"	67%*	304 Stainless Steel	3.85" to 5.1"
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B*	W" x 5"	Water	10%*	Galvanized, 12 Ga. Mild Steel	7.75" to 9"
8"	W x 1"	76" × 1"	10%	304 Stainless Steel	7.75° to 9°
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10"	W*x 1"	74" × 1"	12%	304 Stainless Steel	9.75° to 11°
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15"	W x 1"	W x 1W	17%	304 Stainless Steel	15" to 17"
18"	16" x 2"	74° x 2"	21"	Powder Coated 1/11" Mid Steel	18" to 20"
18"	16" x 2"	7'm" x 2"	21"	304 Stainless Steel	18" to 20"
21"	16" x 2"	74° x 2"	24"	Powder Coated 1/m" Mild Steel	21° to 23°
24"	W*x2*	7'm" x 2"	28/1/	Powder Costed 1/4" Mid Steel	24" to 26"
24"	16" x 2"	710° x 2"	28/1/	304 Stainless Steel	24" to 26"
30"	W*x2*	76"×2"	35"	Powder Coated ¹ / ₁₆ * Mild Steel	30" to 32"
36"	16" x 2"	W* x 2*	42"	Powder Coated '\s' Mild Steel	36" to 38"

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4**	50° x 1°	W.X.1.	6714	Galvanized, 12 Ga. Mild Steel	3.85° to 5.1°	
4**	%*x1"	%" x 1"	614	304 Stainless Steel	3.85° to 5.1°	
6**	70" x 1"	76" x 5"	814	Galvanized, 12 Ga. Mild Steel	5.75° to 7°	
6**	76" x 1"	56" × 5"	857	304 Stainless Steel	5.75° to 7°	
8"	50" x 1"	W x 6"	12%/	Galvanized, 12 Ga. Mild Steel	8.75" to 10"	
	76" x 1"	56" × 6"	1276	304 Stainless Steel	8.75" to 10"	
10*	76" x 1"	76" × 6"	14%*	Galvanized, 12 Ga, Mild Steel	11.25" to 12.5"	
10*	76" x 1"	%" x 6"	147/4	304 Stainless Steel	11.25" to 12.5"	
12*	767 x 17	56" × 6"	17767	Galvanized, 12 Ga. Mild Steel	13.2" to 14.7"	
12*	76" x 1"	16" x 6"	17%/	304 Stainless Steel	13.2" to 14.7"	
15"	10" x 2"	W x 6"	21"	Powder Coated V-," Mild Steel	16.7" to 18.2"	
15"	16" x 2"	W x 6"	21"	304 Stainless Steel	16.7" to 18.2"	
18"	1/4 x 2"	%" x 6"	24"	Powder Coated Yu* Mild Steel	20.5" to 22"	
18*	%"x2"	%" x 6"	24"	304 Stainless Steel	20.5" to 22"	
21"	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
24"	W1X2	56" x 6"	30"	Powder Coated Yu* Mild Steel	27.4" to 28.9"	
30"	Wx2	96" × 6"	38"	Powder Coated Y ₁₆ * Mild Steel	35" to 36.5"	
36"	1/2×2"	50" x 6"	45"	Powder Coated '\'," Mild Steel	41" to 42.5"	





DROP INLETS

12"x12" TO 60"x60" (NOMINAL INSIDE DIMENSIONS)

CALVANIZED STEEL GRATE AND COVER OPTIONS AVAILABLE IN PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC LOAD RATINGS. OPTIONAL GRATE LODING DEVICE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST CALVANZED STEEL CAST IN FRAME SHOWN LOOSE FRAME DESIGNS ALSO AVAILABLE

OPTIONAL RISER SECTIONS -AVAILABLE TO MATCH CRADE VARIATIONS

408 (BASE) + 480 VE

5 602 (BASE) + 604 VF

6 1500 (BASE) + 1050 VF

6 1200 (BASE) + 1050 VF

6 920 (BASE) + 900 VF

24 6 675 (BASE) + 750 VF

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TO: CORTINA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

FROM: KARL DREXEL, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: DISCUSS CAMERAS ON REDDINGTON RANCH PATHWAY

BACKGROUND:

With the continued dumping along the Reddington Ranch walking path, we have discussed putting bollards up at each end and installing cameras along the path. CEC has included the bollards in the plans and specifications for the walkway repair project which we already discussed. However the cameras are another story. They have to have Wi-Fi in order to be able to monitor them remotely and they have to be of a quality that pictures can be used in a court proceeding if necessary. Lacey and Rod have had experience with surveillance cameras and have offered to investigate them.

RECOMMENDATION:

If they have alternatives to review, then discuss and approve the best option.



TO: CORTINA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

FROM: KARL DREXEL, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: REVIEW AND DISCUSS HYDRANT AND SIDEWALK DAMAGE IN

REDDINGTON RANCH

BACKGROUND:

It was brought to my attention that the sidewalk at the corner of Hillgate and Almond was damaged. Victor sent pictures of what looked like the reason for the damage, which was a huge boulder. He and I thought it was vandalism, so I reported it to Lt. Ruiz. Lt. Ruiz said to call dispatch and report it. I extended that request to Victor, who had since learned that the hydrant was hit by a car and the resulting damage was what caused the sidewalk to crack. I am unaware of anything else about the hydrant, like was there a police report made, does anyone know who was driving the car, who fixed the hydrant, etc. We have insurance for things like that, but until I get all of the details, we can't turn it into insurance, and our deductible is \$1,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and discuss the hydrant damage and authorize the General Manager to contact SDRMA for repairs.









TO: CORTINA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

FROM: KARL DREXEL, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON ASSESSMENTS AND DISBANDING THE CFD

BACKGROUND:

As stated by the District's attorneys, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC, the CSD can and did lower the assessment for all properties for the Police and Fire infrastructure financing. However, that assessment is only for this year, and we will have to do something else for next year. We dropped the assessment in half down to \$390.57. (/See assessment information page. According to the attorneys, we can continue lowering the assessment, even down to zero, but it is still not clear what that means for police and fire services in the District. I have attached some correspondence between me and the attorneys, and although it says we can disband the CFD, the consequences are still not clear.

Colantuono states in one email, "Reducing or suspending the tax should trigger the County and the Arbuckle College City Fire Protection District to identify any basis on which they might claim the CCSD is obliged to maintain the tax." Neither the County or the Arbuckle-College City Fire Protection District has said anything about the reduced assessments. However, I am not confident that they won't try something, like say they aren't going to respond to calls in the District.

RECOMMENDATION:

Please review the emails and communication and bring your questions to the Board meeting, preferably in writing, so I can forward to the attorneys. We may even want to have a closed session in January to discuss with them directly.

COUNTY PROPERTY TAX SECTION

INFORMATION SHEET

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MEMORANDUM

ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL

TO: Karl Drexel, General Manager DATE: September 17, 2024

Cortina Community Services District

FROM: Jon R. diCristina, Esq. FILE NO. 33074.0002

Michael G. Colantuono, Esq.

RE: Reducing or Dissolving Community Facilities District

I. Introduction

As you asked, we write to outline the procedures for the Cortina Community Services District ("CCSD") to eliminate certain facilities or services currently provided by Community Facility District 2006-1 (Cortina Community Services District Services Mitigation) ("CFD 2006-1") and to dissolve CFD 2006-1 altogether. These procedures are found in the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982 (the "Act").¹

The only requirements to dissolve a CFD are that it must (i) have no outstanding debt, and (ii) not be authorized to levy any special tax. Accordingly, once CFD 2006-1 retires its debt, the only additional steps are to end existing activities and to cancel the taxes that fund them. We discuss these steps below.

II. Cutting Facilities and Services

The theme underlying the Act's procedural requirements is common: A community facilities district may not **add** to its facilities or services nor impose a **new** or **increased** tax, unless it provides notice and an opportunity to protest and (in the case of taxes) obtains voter approval.² The corollary is that a CFD may generally **reduce** the

¹ Gov. Code, § 53311 et seq.

² See Gov. Code, §§ 53321 [resolution of intent to form CFD], 53324 [protest against all or part of CFD proposed in resolution of intent], 53326 [election on tax to fund CFD].

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Karl Drexel, General Manager Cortina Community Services District September 17, 2024 Page 2

services it provides or **decrease** any tax it imposes in its discretion, without voter approval.³ Accordingly, assuming there are no debt, contract, or other legal enforceable obligations to consider, winding down CFD 2006-1 requires just a few steps.

First, as CFD 2006-1's legislative body, the CCSD Board of Directors must hold a public hearing to eliminate specified facilities or services the CFD currently provides under its Resolution of Formation.⁴ For example, this may include all of the facilities and services that currently serve the Hillgate Development, supplemental funding for police and fire services, or, indeed, everything CFD 2006-1 does. Following the hearing, the Board must adopt a resolution or ordinance to confirm its choices regarding the services to reduce or end.

The statute does not require any particular notice for this hearing, so that notice is governed by CCSD's local policy or, at least, the Brown Act's 72-hour agenda-posting requirement.⁵ Nor is there opportunity for a formal protest to block elimination of facilities or services, so any restrictions on Board action are political rather than legal again, assuming no debt, contract or other legal obligation is outstanding.

Second, the Board reduces the CFD's taxes to match the elimination of services under its authority to impose a rate lower than that voters approved when they formed the district.⁶ This should occur before August of the year in which the action is to be effective to meet the tax collector's deadline for adjustments to the tax roll.

Once the Board has ended all CFD 2006-1's services, and it can reasonably find that there are no additional service costs or debts to be funded by the CFD's taxes, it is obliged to stop collecting that tax. This is done by passing a resolution directing CCSD's clerk to record a Notice of Cessation of Special Tax, which notice must contain sufficient information for the County to identify the tax to be removed from which parcels.⁷

³ See Gov. Code, §§ 53330.7 [eliminating facilities or services], 53340 [lowering tax rate].

⁴ Gov. Code, § 53330.7.

⁵ Gov. Code, § 54954.2(a)(1).

⁶ Gov. Code, § 53340.

⁷ Gov. Code, § 53330.5.

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Karl Drexel, General Manager Cortina Community Services District September 17, 2024 Page 3

III. Dissolving a Community Facilities District

Once CCSD has ended all of CFD 2006-1's services and associated special taxes, it may pass an ordinance dissolving that CFD. This ordinance must at least:

- Find that the CFD (i) is not obligated to pay any outstanding debt and (ii) is not authorized to levy any special tax.
- Direct the CCSD's clerk or other staff to record an addendum to the CFD's Notice of Special Tax Lien, stating that the CFD and all of its associated liens are dissolved.⁸

If the district discovers outstanding debt after it dissolves CFD 2006-1, CCSD is responsible to pay it from any other resources available to it.⁹

IV. Conclusion

While a tax can be lowered or ended without voter approval, it cannot be restored without that approval. Accordingly, CCSD may wish to reduce or suspend the tax by a resolution that expires by its own terms so the tax can be restored if need be without a voter approval that may be difficult to obtain. Reducing or suspending the tax should trigger the County and the Arbuckle College City Fire Protection District to identify any basis on which they might claim the CCSD is obliged to maintain the tax.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist. If you would like us to follow up on any of the issues discussed above, please let us know.

⁸ Gov. Code, § 53338.5.

⁹ Gov. Code, § 53338.5(b).

From: cortinacsd@sonic.net
To: "Michael Colantuono"
Cc: "Jon di Cristina"

Subject: RE: Memo re Reduce / Dissolve CSD 2024-09 (w/ mgc review)(374800.2).docx

Date: Monday, November 11, 2024 2:13:00 PM

Dear Jon and Michael,

Thank you for your email of 9-17-24 which included a Memo from you "regarding reducing_ eliminating the Community Facilities District 2006-1." I will be presenting this memo to our Board of Directors for further action, but I have a few questions that I know will be brought up by members of the Board.

"Eliminate certain facilities or services currently provided by Community Facility District 2006-1"

What facilities or services are being provided and what can be eliminated? The CFD 2006-1 was established with the following wording: The name of the proposed community facilities district shall be "Community Facilities District No. 2006 -1 (*Cortina Community Services District Services Mitigation*), County of Colusa, State of California," referred to hereafter in this resolution as " CFD No. 2006 " Emphasis added. Also, "Upon recordation of a notice of special tax lien pursuant to Section 3114. 5 of the California Streets and Highways Code, a continuing lien to secure each levy of the special tax shall attach to all nonexempt real property within CFD No. 2006 -1, and this lien shall continue in force and effect in perpetuity unless, by subsequent action, the County provides that levy and collection of the tax shall cease." Also, "Parcels in the CFD will remain subject to the Special Tax in perpetuity or until the services financed by the Special Tax are no longer necessary, as determined by the County or, eventually, the CSD."

The question is, the CFD is a funding mechanism for facilities and Services. There are no facilities, and fire services provided by College City-Arbuckle Fire Protection District is provided to all residents in the Arbuckle Area. Police Services are provided to all unincorporated areas of Colusa County by the Colusa County Sheriff's office. If we eliminate the Community Facilities District, aren't they required by law and their own charter's to continue to supply those public safety services?

"Assuming there are no debt, contract, or other legal enforceable obligations to consider, winding down CFD 2006-1 requires just a few steps."

Another question I have is since the Board of Supervisors established the CSD and the CFD and the tax assessments to continue in perpetuity, Does the CFD have any debts? We are not aware of any, but can the County come and say since the CSD lowered the assessment, the CFD owes the difference in what the highest assessment could be and what we charged?

I have also attached a comment letter from the Colusa County Community Development Department that lays out a compelling story that we can't eliminate the Special assessment and the CFD.

First, as CFD 2006-1's legislative body, the CCSD Board of Directors must hold a public hearing to eliminate specified facilities or services the CFD currently provides under its Resolution of

Formation. [1]

How do we word such a Resolution? Our Formation Resolution of services says: "Police and Fire Infrastructure financing." Not police and fire <u>services</u>. We certainly do not want to eliminate College City-Arbuckle FPD to not service the area like they do with other parts of the county, or the Colusa County Sheriff's Department do stop providing police services like they do for the rest of unincorporated Colusa County. We just want the same as everybody else that pays property taxes.

We hopefully will be able to act on this before next August, but as you can see, we are in need of a lot of help. Thanks

Karl

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Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 11:40 AM **To:** Karl Drexel <karl@kdmanagement.us> **Cc:** Jon di Cristina < JdiCristina@chwlaw.us>

Subject: Memo re Reduce / Dissolve CSD 2024-09 (w/ mgc review)(374800.2).docx

As you asked. Let us know if this meets the need or if there is more we can do to be helpful.

Michael G. Colantuono (he, him, his)

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[1] Gov. Code, § 53330.7.

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Cc: Jon R. DiCristina

Subject: Re: Memo re Reduce / Dissolve CSD 2024-09 (w/ mgc review)(374800.2).docx

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 4:01:46 PM

See below. It might be useful to discuss this by phone so we can unpack all the assumptions here.

Michael G. Colantuono, Esq. Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC (530) 432-7357 Sent from my iPad

On Nov 12, 2024, at 9:57 AM, Karl Drexel <karl@kdmanagement.us> wrote:

Which brings up yet another question. "If that tax goes away, then yes, it creates problems for the county and those developers (or individual property owners who bought parcels from those developers) to work out." What kind of problems do the property owners need to work out? WE ARE TALKING ABOUT OWNERS OF DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY. THEY CANNOT GET LAND USE APPROVALS WITHOUT SHOWING THE NECESSARY SERVICES CAN BER FUNDED. They are paying the 1% property tax everybody else pays, so they should have the same services as everyone else. That is the whole purpose of this exercise. If it is going to create additional problems for the homeowners, we need to know up front what that means. Are they required n to form their own fire department and police department and fund it? A DEVELOPER HAS TO SHOW HIS PROJECT CAN BE SERVED. AN INDIVIDUAL HOMEONWER DOES NOT. Defend a lawsuit by the County and AFPD for back assessments? | DON'T THINK ANYONE CAN BRING THAT CASE. SOMEONE COULD SUE THE COUNTY FOR VIOLATING CEQA BY NOT ENFORCING ENVIORNMENTAL MITGATIONS FOR PREVIOUS LAND USE APPROVALS THAT REQUIRED FORMATION OF THE CFD AND IMPOSITION OF ITS TAX. AND THE COUNTY MIGHT HAVE REMEDIES AGAISNT DEVELOPERS. BUT NO ONE HAS A REMEDY AGAINST CORTINA CSD. Contract with the County and AFPD for services they provide to everyone else? Thanks

Karl

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Karl Drexel, CSDM 2885 W. Steele Ln Santa Rosa CA 95403 (707) 318-7369 fax (530) 331-0809 karl@kdmanagement.us **From:** Jon R. DiCristina < JdiCristina@chwlaw.us> **Sent:** Tuesday, November 12, 2024 9:24 AM

To: Michael Colantuono <mcolantuono@chwlaw.us>; karl@kdmanagement.us

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No, these docs do not change our advice. In particular, the comment letter to the CSD board meeting from June is simply incorrect to assert that the CSD lacks authority to cancel the CFD tax. Whoever governs the CFD always has that authority. The real issues stem from the comment letter's correct observation that certain developments were approved on the condition that this CFD tax would be in place. If that tax goes away, then yes, it creates problems for the county and those developers (or individual property owners who bought parcels from those developers) to work out. But none of that obliges the CSD to continue imposing a tax it has the authority to discontinue.

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Subject: RE: Memo re Reduce / Dissolve CSD 2024-09 (w/ mgc review)(374800.2).docx

Date: Monday, November 11, 2024 3:00:00 PM

I haven't floated that yet. Colusa County has a new LAFCo Executive Director and I have not met him yet.

Karl

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Sent: Monday, November 11, 2024 2:53 PM

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You can amend the boundaries of the CFD (the financing district) to delete that development by a resolution of the Board. To remove it from the boundaries of the Community Services District, you'd need to apply to LAFCO to detach it. Is LAFCO likely to approve that?

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Thanks

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TO: CORTINA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

FROM: KARL DREXEL, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ON ABANDONING THE HILLGATE DEVELOPMENT

BACKGROUND:

When I started looking into the CFD and the documents establishing it, it appeared that the CSD Board has the option of eliminating the Special Tax for Fire and Police and disbanding the Community Facilities District. Our attorneys have been working on as has been discussed. Since the Public hearing we had back in July, the County submitted a letter of objection. As we have already discussed, there seems to be a number of issues that we need to address before we can unilaterally move forward and dissolve the Community Facilities District, even though the County Administrator and the BOS Chair said we could.

One of the major issues discussed in the County Letter to the Board from Greg Plucker, Community Development Director, was the fact that the Cortina Community services District still has a fourth development within our District that hasn't been built. That fourth District was projected to have 134 new houses with a projected population of 402 people. This development was used in the original study of projected costs for Police and Fire services and the assessment on the houses since that time have included those projections. However, according to the County there are no plans or projections that the Hillgate Development is in the works because there is no water or sewer service out there. It is outside the Arbuckle PUD boundaries, so if they ever did build that development, the Cortina CSD would be responsible to provide water and sewer services to that development.

One of the possible scenarios surrounding the development of that property is for the District to abandon the Hillgate development from our formation documents. That would require a separate Public Hearing, notices, and a new Resolution and a different application to LAFCo.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board review the correspondence in this Board Packet, and bring your questions to the Board meeting, preferably in writing so I can forward them to our attorneys and start the process of abandoning the Hillgate development.

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