

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
HUMBOLDT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

On **Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the Humboldt County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the matter listed below.

**NOTE: In accordance with AB 361 the Planning Commission meeting will be held virtually until further notice.**

**HOW TO LISTEN OR WATCH THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**

**Listen or Watch the live stream of the Planning Commission Meeting in three ways:**

1. <https://zoom.us/j/9763777152> Password: 200525
2. Call in via telephone at 346 248-7799, enter meeting id 976 3777 7152 Password: 200525
3. A live stream of the meeting can be found by using the following link:  
<https://humboldt.legistar.com> or by watching Access Humboldt on cable channel 11

**PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS DURING THE MEETING:**

**Participate in the public comment period of the meeting in the following two ways:**

1. **Via Computer as an attendee:** To raise your hand click the Raise Hand icon on the bottom of the Zoom window. When you click the Raise Hand icon, a hand icon will appear next to your name that will notify the host your hand is raised. You will also see the hand icon turn green. When you want to lower your hand, you can click the hand icon again and your hand will be lowered. When you are called upon to speak the Zoom platform will ask you for permission to unmute your mic. **If you encounter any issues, please use the call-in option below.**
2. **Via phone call using cellphone or landline:** When the Planning Commission meeting begins, call in to the conference line. When the Planning Commissioner starts to discuss the item you wish to comment on, **Press \*9 to raise your hand.** When you are called upon to speak, you will be prompted to unmute your mic, press \*6 to unmute.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO THE MEETING:**

Submit public comments via email to [Planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:Planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us) and provide the Project title, Record or Case number and date of the hearing. If you do not have access to email, contact the planning clerk at 707-268-3702. Comments received after the agenda is posted on **Friday, December 10, 2021**, can be found at the "Attachments" section of the "Meeting Details" link next to the posted Agenda at: <https://humboldt.legistar.com>, and will be included with the administrative record after the fact.

**Please note that each Zoom meeting has a unique meeting ID and password. Any item on this agenda that is continued to a future date will use the meeting ID and password applicable to the date the agenda item is to be heard again. Agendas are posted on the Friday before the meeting at <https://humboldt.legistar.com>**

1. **Midgad, LLC** Conditional Use Permit; Salmon Creek Area; Record Number PLN-10651-CUP (filed 06/27/2016); Assessor's Parcel Number: 219-051-009. The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for 19,800 square feet of existing outdoor commercial cannabis cultivation. The project will be supported by a 1,000 square-foot propagation greenhouse. Water for irrigation is sourced from an existing 194,000-gallon rainwater catchment pond. The capacity of this pond is proposed to be expanded to 236,000 gallons. Alternatively, the applicant may provide documentation that the existing 220,000-gallon pond onsite, which has historically been used as an irrigation source, is not hydrologically connected to surface waters or the applicant will obtain an additional 17,000 gallons of hard-tank water storage to meet the projected annual water usage. Water storage for irrigation totals 210,000 gallons between the 194,000-gallon rainwater catchment pond and existing hard-tank storage. The projected annual water usage for the project totals 227,000 gallons. All processing activities occur onsite in existing structures. Energy for the operation is

sourced from a solar array and a generator is onsite to provide supplemental energy. The Humboldt County Planning Commission will consider an Addendum to a previously adopted Mitigative Negative Declaration that has been prepared for consideration per §15164 of the State CEQA Guidelines. The project is located in Humboldt County, in the Salmon Creek area, on the West and East side of Thomas Road, approximately 1.14 miles South from the intersection of Lower Thomas Road and Thomas Road, on the property known as 4400 Thomas Road. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to the assigned Planner Abbie Strickland at 707-441-2630 or via email at [astrickland@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:astrickland@co.humboldt.ca.us).

2. **Soul Arc Solutions, Inc;** Ettersburg area; Record Number PLN-11402-CUP (filed 11/03/2016); Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 108-012-010. A Conditional Use Permit for 18,092 square feet (SF) of existing cannabis cultivation. Water for irrigation is sourced from a point of diversion and rainwater catchment pond. Water storage totals 290,000 gallons. Drying and curing would be on-site in a proposed 1,000-square-foot facility, with other processing occurring off-site. Electricity is sourced from generator power with solar power proposed. The Planning Commission will consider an addendum to a previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration. The project is located in Humboldt County, in the Ettersburg area, on the north side of Wilder Ridge Road, approximately 1.4 west from the intersection of Ettersburg-Honeydew Road and Wilder Ridge Road, then north on a private road for 1.5 miles, on the property known as 12019 Wilder Ridge Road. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to Max Hilken Associate Planner, at (707) 443-5054 or via email at [hilkenm@lacoassociates.com](mailto:hilkenm@lacoassociates.com).
3. **Forever Loving Humboldt Inc.** Conditional Use Permit; Myers Flat area; Record Number PLN-12436-CUP (filed 12/23/2016); Assessor's Parcel Number: 211-374-014. The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for 32,500 square feet of existing commercial cannabis cultivation, consisting of 22,000 square feet of outdoor cultivation and 10,500 square feet of mixed light cultivation. Water for irrigation is sourced from two groundwater wells, which are registered as riparian diversions due to their proximity to the water course. The applicant estimates 475,000 gallons are needed for irrigation annually. Drying occurs on-site in an existing barn, with other processing activities occurring off-site at a licensed processing facility. Electricity is sourced from PGE and a generator. The proposed project is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per section 15270 (Projects Which Are Disapproved) of the CEQA Guidelines. The project is located in Humboldt County, in the Myers Flat area, on the south side of Browns Road, approximately 2,741 feet from the intersection of Dyerville Loop Road and Browns Road, on the property known as 510 Browns Road, Myers Flat. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to Abbie Strickland at (707)441-2630 or via email at [astrickland@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:astrickland@co.humboldt.ca.us).

**Ambiguity Farm LLC;** Garberville area; Record Number PLN-12812-CUP (filed 12/29/2016); Assessor's Parcel Number: 223-011-009, 223-011-007. A Conditional Use Permit for 43,560 square feet of existing outdoor cannabis cultivation, and a Special Permit for restoration work within the SMA. Ancillary propagation will occur in two 1,250-square-foot greenhouses for a total propagation space of 2,500 square feet. There will be three cultivation cycles occurring annually. All processing will occur offsite. Water for the project will be sourced from an onsite 800,000-gallon onstream-pond and a proposed rainwater catchment system. The applicant anticipates 400,000 gallons of water will be required for irrigation annually. There are 100,000 gallons of available water storage occurring in two 50,000-gallon metal tanks, with 300,000 gallons of additional water storage proposed for the project. There will be a maximum of four employees required for operations. Power for the project is sourced from a solar array with a backup generator. The Humboldt County Planning Commission will consider an Addendum to a previously adopted MND and has been prepared for consideration per §15164 of the State CEQA Guidelines. The project is located in the County of Humboldt, in the Garberville area. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to Michael Holtermann at (707) 268-3737 or via email at [mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us).

4. **Cannaboldt;** Miranda area; Record Number PLN-11998-CUP (filed 12/19/2016); Assessor's Parcel Number: 212-201-013. The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for 9,790 square feet of existing outdoor and 4,392 square feet of existing mixed light medical cannabis cultivation. Water for irrigation is

sourced from an existing well. Water is stored in 26 tanks (239,300 gallons) and a pond. Processing, including drying and trimming, occurs on-site in shipping containers. Electricity is sourced from generator power. The proposed project is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per section 15270 (Projects Which Are Disapproved) of the CEQA Guidelines. The project is located in Humboldt County, in the Miranda area, on both sides of Felt Road, approximately 1.2 miles east from the intersection of School Road and Felt Road, on the property known as 1351 Felt Road. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to Michael Holtermann at (707) 268-3737 or via email at [mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us).

5. **H2 Equity, LLC** Conditional Use Permit; Salmon Creek area; Record Number PLN-11248-CUP (filed 09/28/2016); Assessor's Parcel Number: 221-021-008. The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for 49,650 square feet of existing commercial cannabis cultivation of which 8,782 square feet is mixed light cultivation and 40,868 square feet is outdoor cultivation utilizing light deprivation techniques. The project is supported by 2,363 square feet of propagation space. Water for irrigation is sourced from an existing well, a hydrologically connected pond, and rainwater catchment. The projected annual water usage totals 892,176 gallons and existing available water storage totals 416,500 gallons. All processing occurs onsite in an existing structure. Energy is sourced from solar and generators. The proposed project is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per section 15270 (Projects Which Are Disapproved) of the CEQA Guidelines. The project is located in the Salmon Creek area, on the North side of Thomas Road, approximately 1.68 miles west from the intersection of Salmon Creek Road and Thomas Road, on the property known as 3845 Thomas Road. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to Abbie Strickland at (707)441-2630 or via email at [astrickland@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:astrickland@co.humboldt.ca.us).
6. **Asia's Best**, Coastal Development Permit and Conditional Use Permit; Eureka area; Record Number PLN-2020-16426 (filed 6/11/2020); Assessor's Parcel Number 015-211-010. The applicant seeks a conditional use permit and a coastal development permit to allow for a retail food and dry goods market in an existing 600 sq. ft. space that is part of the Sacred Heart Church campus located at 2085 Myrtle Avenue Eureka. Parking spaces would be shared with the activities of the church and an administrative office for the Humboldt-Del Norte County Medical Society. The retail food market also proposes a ground mounted sign near the entrance into the campus off of Edgewood Road. The Humboldt County Planning Commission will consider an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act. The project is located in the County of Humboldt, in the Eureka area. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to the assigned Planner, Desmond Johnston at (707) 441-2622 or via email at [djohnston@co.merced.ca.us](mailto:djohnston@co.merced.ca.us).
7. **Humboldt Hempire Farms, LLC**: Garberville Area; Record No. PLN-2020-16602 (filed 8/18/2020); APN 223-061-011. A Special Permit for 43,560 square feet of new mixed light cannabis cultivation. The applicant anticipates 3 harvest cycles annually. Cultivation will occur in twelve (12) 1,600 square foot greenhouses, four (4) 2,000-square-foot greenhouses, two (2) 1,950 square foot greenhouses, and two (2) 2,600-square-foot greenhouses. Water for irrigation will be provided by rainwater catchment. There is an approved land use permit on the subject parcel that allows for a business engaged in the collection, storage, delivery, and sale of non-potable water to residents in the Southern Humboldt area for primarily agricultural use (e.g., irrigation). The applicant will utilize water from this onsite business to support the cultivation. The applicant anticipates approximately 600,000 gallons of water will be required annually for irrigation. There is 3,360,000 gallons of water storage onsite. Processing such as drying and curing will occur in a 5,060-square-foot structure. Further processing will occur offsite at a licensed processing facility. Power of the project will be provided by PG&E. The Planning Commission will consider an addendum to a previously adopted Environmental Impact Report pursuant to Section 15164 of the CEQA Guidelines. This project is located in Humboldt County, in the Garberville area, on the north side of Sprowel Creek Road, approximately 1,300 feet northwest from the intersection of Sprowel Creek Road and West River Lane, on the property known as 1575 Sprowel Creek Road. Specific questions regarding the proposed project may be directed to Steven Lazar, Senior Planner, at (707) 268-3741 or by email at [slazar@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:slazar@co.humboldt.ca.us).

**Consistent with the above instructions for public comment, any person may appear and present testimony regarding this matter during the hearing. If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at or prior to the public hearing. The Planning Commission's decision will become effective if an appeal is not filed within the appropriate filing period. An appeal may be filed by any aggrieved person who has testified in person or in writing on the project and must be submitted in writing with the required fees to the Planning Division of the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department at 3015 H Street, Eureka, California 95501, post marked before the end of the appeal period. If appealed, the decision will not become effective until the appeal is resolved.**

The staff report for this project will be posted on <https://humboldt.legistar.com> on the Friday before the Planning Commission meeting. General questions regarding the Planning Commission, the permit process, submission of materials and other information not specific to this project may be obtained from the Planning Division of the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department, 3015 H Street, Eureka, California 95501, or email [planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us). Telephone (707) 268-3702.

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