

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # *A-3a

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE March 2, 2010

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Acceptance of the Resignation of Theodore Reimers from the Stanislaus County Planning Commission

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Accept the resignation of Theodore Reimers from the Stanislaus County Planning Commission.
2. Direct staff to post vacancy.
3. Direct staff to send a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Reimers.

Contact person: Christine Ferraro Tallman, Clerk of the Board

Telephone: 525-4494

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2010-093

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Grover

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST:

CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

Theodore C. Reimers
980 E. Monte Vista Ave.
Turlock, CA 95382

February 18, 2010

Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors
1010 10th Street, Suite 6500
Modesto, CA 95354

RE: Resignation from the Stanislaus County Planning Commission

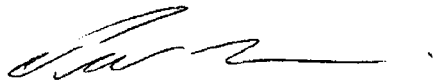
Supervisors:

I regretfully must resign my position on the Stanislaus County Planning Commission representing District 2.

After further review of the position by my employer, they believe the opportunity and frequency for real and perceived conflicts of interest are too great and they have strongly urged me to resign.

I sincerely apologize on my behalf and my employer for the delay in this decision. When applying for the appointment I had believed the conflicts of interest were fully vetted by my employer. Unfortunately communication channels never flow as fast as you would hope. I would like to thank the Planning Department Staff for the time and effort they have devoted towards me. They have been more than helpful, courteous and professional.

Sincerely,



Theodore C. Reimers



American AgCredit, ACA
MONEY FOR AGRICULTURE

February 18, 2010

Ted Reimers, Vice President
American AgCredit, ACA
Turlock Office

Re: Appointment to the Stanislaus Planning Commission

Ted,

Per our conversation we have reviewed the job description and recent agendas of the Planning commission and strongly recommend you resign the position for the potential and real conflicts that may arise. As you know our Standards of Conduct Policy requires our employees to maintain high standards of industry, honesty, integrity, impartiality, and conduct in the discharge of their assigned duties. As a financial institution and part of the Farm Credit System, our customers and bond holders depend on our adhering to a higher standard than other types of businesses.

Since the Planning Commission you are on will be dealing frequently with zoning, permitting and other items directly and indirectly impacting our customers and potential customers relating to agricultural property the burden for you to recuse from discussions would greatly impair your ability to do the job to its fullest.

Any items you would be dealing with related to agricultural use of land, changing zoning of what is existing agricultural land, use of agricultural land, etc, is going to be a potential conflict at some level.

The principal factors which must be considered in making this determination are the opportunity and frequency for conflicts of interest, real or perceived, to occur in the course of the regular duties of the office. In this case those conflicts appear to be both real and perceived and quite frequent.

I apologize for the delay in providing you this feedback; I just recently received your annual disclosure.

Sincerely,

Floyd Ridenhour
Chief Administrative Officer and Standards of Conduct Official