

MINUTE ITEM

12/14/66

35. PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF LAND IN UPPER NEWPORT BAY, ORANGE COUNTY, BETWEEN THE IRVINE COMPANY AND THE COUNTY OF ORANGE - W.O. 4926.

The Chairman stated that no action was planned at this time in connection with the report made by Livingston and Blayney, mentioned in Calendar Item 33 attached, but indicated that the report should be made public, and that copies should be made and sent to interested public officials in Orange County and to The Irvine Company, and to other interested parties upon request.

Attachment

Calendar Item 33 (1 page)

INFORMATIVE

33.

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On August 25, 1966, the State Lands Commission considered a proposed exchange of land in Upper Newport Bay, Orange County, between the Irvine Company and the County of Orange.

After extensive testimony the Commission, upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, adopted the following resolution:

"THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION WITHHOLDS ITS APPROVAL AT THIS TIME ON THE REQUEST BY ORANGE COUNTY FOR APPROVAL OF THE EXCHANGE OF LAND IN UPPER NEWPORT BAY, ORANGE COUNTY, BETWEEN THE IRVINE COMPANY AND THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, AND URGES THE COUNTY TO EXPLORE ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF DEVELOPING THIS NATURAL RESOURCE IN THE SPIRIT OF ITS TRUST AND IN A MANNER TO MAXIMIZE THE PUBLIC USE AND BENEFIT, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COMMISSION WILL AGAIN CONSIDER THIS MATTER WHEN FURTHER PROJECT DATA ARE PROPOSED BY THE COUNTY OF ORANGE AND THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH."

The Commission has since retained the consulting services of city and regional planners, the San Francisco firm of Livingston and Blayney, for the purpose of (1) analyzing the Upper Newport Bay Land Exchange Plan, (2) outlining the criteria which the State Lands Commission should consider in reviewing the proposal, and (3) recommending steps to attain a land exchange plan that will be in the State-wide interest.

The report of the consultants has now been completed and will be on file in the official records of the Commission at Sacramento and Los Angeles.