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Dear Sir/Madam:

This item should be for discussion. Please read my comments into the record when it comes up. Would appreciate an answer to my questions.

Agenda Item A3

Consent Calendar: Amendment No. 1 to agreement 2014-003 with SB Luxury Resort, LLC
for Habitat Restoration on Ellwood Mesa

The Ellwood Mesa belongs to the Citizen of Goleta.

Why is it the Ritz-Carlton Bacara requesting authorization via the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding and use some of our public land (1.92 acres) to meet the requirements of native habitat restoration for a Cease and Desist Order: CCC-13-CD-03 (CA Coastal Commission) violation V-4-12-032?

The violation was for creating a venue that was located on an archeological site and also ESHA. It appears that the coastal sage scrub restoration failed to meet the success criteria "due to invasive, non-native weeds in the presence of heavy clay soils". Why was this site originally chosen?

Have all the oil wells in the Elwood Mesa been abandoned correctly?

I hope that ground hydrocarbon levels have been checked via soil samples.

Thank you,
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