Leah Reedall

From: Al Hadian

Sent: Monday, May 16, 2022 3:51 PM

To: BoardComment

Subject: Tract 1804 (The CCSD water ratepayers customers as of April 16, 2001)

Attachments: Robert Hamilton 04-16, 2001.pdf

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April 16, 2001

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Tract 1804, Cambria Pines Estates

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Robert W. Hamilton Utilities Manager

cc:

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Sent: Monday, May 16, 2022 4:00 PM

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Leah Reedall

From: Elizabeth Bettenhausen

Sent: Tuesday, May <u>17, 2022</u> 9:02 AM

To: Donn Howell; Harry Farmer; Cindy Steidel; Tom Gray; John F. Weigold IV

Cc: BoardComment; Ellie Oliver; Tom Luster; B Gibson

Subject: Item in Special meeting on 17 May 2022 **Attachments:** CCSD re CCC NOV 17 May 2022.docx

Please see my attached public comment.

Thank you.

DATE: 17 May 2022

TO: CCSD Directors and General Manager

FROM: Elizabeth Bettenhausen

Re: Special Meeting 17 May 2022

"Notice of Violation from CCC: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) California Coastal Commission v. CCSD; Notice of Violation related to Coastal Development Permit 132-18"

The wording of this item implies that the Board and General Manager Weigold have already decided not to comply with the stipulated actions stated on p. 10 of the Notice of Violation (NOV) sent to General Manager Weigold on 19 April 2022 by Ellie Oliver, Central Coast district Enforcement Officer for the California Coastal Commission. Apparently the CCSD already anticipates litigation. But that option appears in the Notice of Violation only when the CCSD decides not to work with the Coastal Commission in the two ways stipulated to resolve the violation.

There is no indication in the Notice of Violation that the Coastal Commission has already decided to initiate litigation.

The wording of this Agenda item today provides a way for the Board of Directors and the General Manager to discuss the NOV in closed session out of public hearing. They have never discussed this in public, and it is not on the Agenda of the regular meeting on 19 May 2022, the day before the first deadline in the Notice of Violation. No Board discussion has been reported to the public. This course of action, if happening, would be reprehensible.

I am not confident that the current Board and General Manager understand the nature and ramifications of required protecting of coastal resources. I am not confident that you understand the nature of a Notice of Violation, the legal standing of the Coastal Act, and official actions by the California Coastal Commission. I am not confident that you understand their responsibility in relation to this aspect stated on p. 8 of the NOV. "Please further be advised that we believe that the CCSD's continued issuance of will-serve letters, in light of the water supply issues described above and including CCSD's long term and continuing CDP violations, only exacerbates the above-described CDP inconsistencies and violations."

I strongly protest the way the General Manager and the Board of Directors of the Cambria Community Services District are treating the Notice of Violation. I protest the way the public has been excluded from the process. The NOV is not even posted on the CCSD web site. Discussion of it is only in closed session. If the Board acts in closed session, it will be announced to the public at the meeting of the Board on Thursday, without the substance of the options available to the public for our comment beforehand and before the vote.

I urge you to do what the Resolution in the Notice of Violation requires in two parts, one regarding issuance of will-serve letters and the other regarding a "water extraction and resource protection plan," specified in important detail on p. 10.

Thank you for what I hope is your careful attention to this matter and growing understanding of and commitment to your first Strategic Goal: to improve communication with the public.

I request that this email be made part of the official record of the meeting and included in the Minutes.

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Ph.D.



cc: Leah Reedall, Board Secretary

Tom Luster, California Coastal Commission

Ellie Oliver, California Coastal Commission

Bruce Gibson, SLO County Supervisor

Leah Reedall

From: Gordon Heinrichs

Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 9:59 AM

To: BoardComment

Subject: CCSD Board Speccial meeting May 17, 2022 Agenda item 2

Hi,

The article link below for NPR radio station Rachel Showalter, is another confirmation to the public that there is a water shortage in Cambria.

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San Luis Obispo County does receive an allocation of water from the State Water Project, but state water officials announced a cut to this year's supply in March.

Please stop this madness and agree with the NOV.

Much thanks,

Gordon Heinrichs

https://www.kcbx.org/environment-and-energy/2022-05-10/multi-year-drought-continues-state-water-officials-say-central-coast-particularly-vulnerable

Multi-year drought continues; state water officials say Central Coast particularly vulnerable

California is midway through its third year of drought and officials from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) say the Central Coast is one of the state's most vulnerable regions.

January through March of this year were the driest of those months on record in California. And March 2022 was both warmer and drier than March of 2020.

"This year we received, in March, just one inch of [precipitation] and we were three degrees warmer than the average temperature," said Lisa Lien-Mager with the California Natural Resources Agency.

Lien-Mager spoke at a meeting Tuesday with officials from the DWR and the State Water Board to discuss the state's drought outlook.

Jeanine Jones is the Interstate Resources Manager with the DWR. She said a number of things make the Central Coast more vulnerable to drought.

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NASA Image Of The Day

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A map of water conditions on the Central Coast from NASA.

"[There are] relatively less groundwater resources available in the Central Coast than in other parts of the state and it does not have the major sources of imported water that other areas have," Jones said.

Jones also said Lake Cachuma, one of Santa Barbara County's water reservoirs, isn't holding as much as it could.

"Currently Lake Cachuma is at 59 percent of average right now, so you know, starting to see a decline there," Jones said.

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San Luis Obispo County does receive an allocation of water from the State Water Project, but state water officials announced a cut to this year's supply in March.

"There are very few years now where the state water project can deliver a full allocation to their customers," Jones said.

Jones said as the climate continues to get warmer and drier, communities need to be prepared for continued reductions in state supply.

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Rachel Showalter

Rachel Showalter first joined KCBX as an intern from Cal Poly in 2017. During her time in college, she anchored and reported for Mustang News at Cal Poly's radio station, KCPR. After graduating, she took her first job as a Producer at KSBY-TV. She returned to the KCBX team in October 2020 and now reports daily for KCBX News. Rachel spends her off-days climbing rocks, cooking artichokes and fighting crosswords with friends.

See stories by Rachel Showalter

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Leah Reedall

From: Ryan Broersma

Sent: Monday, May 16, 2022 9:35 PM

To: BoardComment

Subject: Public Comment For Special Meeting 5/17/22 **Attachments:** Leimert-Settlement-And-Related-Docs.pdf

Good Morning, President Howell and Board of Directors,

Our family owns one of the vacant lots in Tract 1804 on which a water bill has been paid for over 20 years. As you are aware, the CCSD has a contractual obligation to provide water to all 18 lots in Tract 1804 just as it does to other existing homes in the district. There are only eight remaining lots in Tract 1804 that have yet to be built upon.

As environmentally responsible citizens and founders of a 501c3 non-profit that provides clean drinking water in developing countries, we share a commitment to maintaining the health of local creeks and preserving water resources. That said, we believe that our water rights as existing customers are no different than those of other rate payers and we must be afforded the same access to this resource as all CCSD customers in this community. As existing commitments with meters in the ground, the water needs of Tract 1804 are already factored into the water requirements of the CCSD, just as they are for other ratepayers.

Rather than provide an exhaustive list of the District's legal obligations to Tract 1804, we would like to request that the District work diligently with the California Coastal Commission and the County of San Luis Obispo to provide a path forward for the remaining eight lot owners so that they may complete the construction of their homes. This would allow the District to fulfill its legal obligation.

If any Board members would like to review the District's contractual obligation, we have attached a copy of the Leimert Settlement Agreement dated July 12th, 1999 and related documents.

Best Regards, Ryan and Barbara Broersma

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FULL MUTUAL RELEASE

THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FULL MUTUAL RELEASE ("Agreement") is entered into this 12th day of July, 1999, by and between Cambria West, a California joint venture, Walter H. Leimert Company, a California corporation, Cambria Properties Limited, a limited partnership, and Leimert Investment Company, a California corporation, (collectively referred to herein as "Cambria West"), and the Cambria Community Services District, a Public Agency ("the District"). This Agreement shall become effective on August 11, 1999 (the "Effective Date").

A. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

In connection with this Agreement, the parties acknowledge the following:

- 1. The parties hereto are desirous of settling all matters related in any way to that certain case entitled "Cambria West v. Cambria Community Services District, et al.," San Luis Obispo County Superior Court No. CV 980722 (the "Civil Action").
- 2. Cambria West is the owner of certain property known as Tract 1804, which is a vesting tentative tract map consisting of eighteen (18) clustered residential lots. Tract 1804 received tentative map approval from the County of San Luis Obispo ("the County") on July 10, 1997.
- 3. Cambria West is in the process of satisfying the conditions of approval specified by the County in its approval of the Tract 1804 vesting tentative map. It is expected that the conditions of approval will be completed within thirty (30) to ninety (90) days following the Effective Date of this Agreement, and the final tract map for Tract 1804 will be approved by the County and recorded. It is expected that the tract improvements for Tract 1804 will be constructed by Cambria West prior to December 31, 1999.
- 4. The District owns and operates water supply, treatment and distribution facilities in the community of Cambria. All eighteen (18) of the lots described in Tract 1804 are located within the District boundaries. The water lines to be installed as a part of the tract improvements for Tract 1804 will be connected to water supply lines owned and operated by the District.

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- 5. The District and Cambria West are parties to an Agreement dated June 4, 1985 regarding water service to Cambria West's property, including the property that is now known as Tract 1804.
- 6. The Civil Action consists of a petition for writ of mandate and a complaint for monetary and injunctive relief. The primary issue in the Civil Action involves a determination of the nature and extent of the District's obligation to provide water service to Tract 1804.

B. AGREEMENT.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements and considerations set forth herein, it is mutually agreed as follows:

- 1. Water and Sewer Service to Tract 1804. The District agrees to provide water and sewer service to the lots within Tract 1804 on the following terms and conditions:
 - a. Water Meter Installation. Within thirty (30) days of payment of fees as specified in paragraphs 1(c) and (d)(i), posting security provided in paragraph 1(d)(ii), and deposit of deeds provided for in paragraph 1(g), the District shall install water meters on each of the eighteen (18) lots in Tract 1804 and Cambria West may connect these water meters to water supply lines designed to transmit water from the District. Each of the 18 lots in Tract 1804 is assigned one EDU for residential single family water service.
 - **b.** Water and Other Services. Upon final approval of Tract 1804 by the County and upon completion of construction of the tract improvements for Tract 1804, the lots within Tract 1804 will be entitled to receive water and other services from the District on the terms and conditions specified below.
 - c. Water and Sewer Connection Fees. On or before December 31, 1999, Cambria West shall pay to the District the sum of \$69,440.00 consisting of \$3,255.00 for each of the 18 lots as a water service connection fee and \$2,170.00 for each of lots 6 through 10 as a sewer service connection fee.
 - **d.** Surcharge Fees. In addition, Cambria West shall pay to the District the sum of \$198,000.00 consisting of \$11,000 per lot as a surcharge fee. The \$198,000.00 surcharge shall be paid in two installments.

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- ii. The second installment of \$115,270.00, together with interest at the specified rate of 5.1%, shall be paid at the time the District makes its first progress payment for actual costs of construction of a water storage tank located at Pine Knolls. In no event shall Cambria West be obligated to pay the second installment prior to July 1, 2000. Regardless of whether a bid is awarded for construction of a water storage tank, Cambria West shall pay the second installment to the District on or before June 30, 2001. As security for payment of the second installment, Cambria West shall provide to the District, on or before December 31, 1999 (and before installation of water meters), a bond in the amount of \$115,270.00 in a form approved by District Counsel, which bond shall assure payment to the District of the second installment.
- e. Retrofit Requirements. Prior to commencement of construction of any single family residence on any of the eighteen (18) lots, the lot owner shall satisfy the District's water conservation and retrofit requirements currently as specified in Ordinance Nos. 1-98, 2-99 and 3-99, and as may be amended from time to time by the District. A memorandum of this Agreement specifying this requirement in favor of the District will be recorded with the San Luis Obispo County Recorder's Office in the chain of title of Tract 1804 and each of the eighteen (18) lots on or before the Effective Date of this Agreement. The statement shall be in the form of the statement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference incorporated herein.
- f. Water Usage Fees. Upon installation of water meters and connection to the water supply lines as provided for in paragraphs 1.a. and 1.b., above, the District may begin charging Cambria West, or a successor lot owner, if any, the standard water usage charges in effect at the time (and as may be amended from time to time) for the quantity of water actually used as measured by the water meter as well as ordinary standby and minimum monthly user charges.
- g. Conveyance of Lodge Hill Lots. Within thirty (30) days after District's installation of water meters as provided in paragraph 1.a., Cambria West shall convey to the District four (4) twenty-five foot (25') lots currently owned by Cambria West described as: APN 023-214-044 (Block 17, lots 31 and 32) and APN 023-214-045 (Block 17, lots 33 and 34). The conveyance will be through an escrow with Chicago Title Company, San Luis Obispo,

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with escrow to close on or before January 31, 2000. Title is to be free and clear of all liens and encumbrances of record except those shown on a preliminary title report and approved by the District. Cambria West will deposit into escrow executed deeds to convey title to the lots prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement. The District and Cambria West will also execute escrow instructions prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement. Costs of escrow, title insurance (in the amount of \$50,000.00) to be apportioned between the District (buyer) and Cambria West (seller) in the customary manner in San Luis Obispo County. Cambria West is unaware of any contamination on the lots to be conveyed to the District. At the option and expense of District, District may conduct environmental assessments of the property during escrow to determine if there is any contamination. Should contamination be found, District may elect to not take title to the lots.

- 2. Ordinance and Resolution Adoption. Concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, the District shall adopt an ordinance and resolution which provides for the provision of water and sewer service consistent with the Agreement. The ordinance and resolution shall be in the form of the ordinance and resolution attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and by this reference incorporated herein ("the Ordinance" and "Resolution"). The Ordinance and Resolution shall be effective thirty (30) days after adoption.
- 3. DRE Letter. On the Effective Date of this Agreement, the District shall cause to be issued to the California Department of Real Estate a letter stating that Tract 1804 is eligible for water service from the District and that the District is ready, willing and able to provide water service to the lots within Tract 1804. The letter shall be in the form of the letter attached hereto as Exhibit "C."
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- 5. 1985 Contract. This Agreement does not extinguish the June 4, 1985, contract between Cambria West and the District. The 1985 contract remains as a valid and enforceable contract between the parties. However, the imposition of the surcharge fees, as specified in paragraph 1.d., above, fully satisfies Cambria West's obligation for Tract 1804 to contribute to the cost of storage facilities as specified in paragraph 2.b. of the 1985 contract. The imposition of the water and sewer connection fees and the water conservation and retrofit requirements specified in paragraph 1.c. and 1.e, above, satisfies the District's obligation to treat Tract 1804

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- 6. District's Contractual Obligation. The obligations of the District under this Agreement are contractual in nature. The District may not restrict, modify or otherwise amend its contractual obligations to Cambria West, as provided in this Agreement and/or the 1985 contract, by adopting, repealing or otherwise modifying its ordinances, resolutions or regulations. After connection, the 18 lots within Tract 1804 will be treated in the same manner as other existing residential customers of the District.
- 7. Dismissal. Within thirty (30) days following adoption of the ordinance and resolution attached as Exhibit "B," Cambria West shall execute and file a dismissal with prejudice of all claims stated in the Civil Action.
- 8. Attorneys' Fees. Each party shall pay their own costs of litigation in the Civil Action, including attorneys' fees.
- 9. Waiver of Claims by Cambria West. Except as provided for in this Agreement, Cambria West and its administrators, successors-in-interest and assigns, fully and forever releases and discharges the District and its attorneys and agents, and each of them, of and from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of action against them by reason of any occurrences or any damages or injuries whatsoever sustained by them at any time prior to and including the date of these presents, including, but not limited to, any and all claims or causes of action arising from the Civil Action.
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- 11. Covenant of Non-Assignment. Each of the parties to this Agreement represents and warrants that he or she has not heretofore assigned, transferred, or purported to assign or transfer to any person or entity, any liability, claim, demand, action, cause of action or right which is

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herein released and discharged; and each party, respectively, shall indemnify each person and entity released and discharged by the foregoing provisions and their respective successors-in-interest, employees, assigns, affiliates, partners, co-venturers, attorneys, and each of them, and shall hold them harmless from and against: (a) any liability, claim, demand, action, cause of action or right which has been assigned or transferred by said party contrary to the foregoing representation or in violation of the foregoing warranty; and (b) any and all loss, expense, and/or liability arising directly or indirectly out of any breach of the foregoing warranty by said party.

- 12. Successors. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to obligate, extend to and inure to the benefit of the successors, assigns, transferees, grantees and indemnitees of each of the parties to this Agreement.
- 13. Representation. Each of the parties to this Agreement acknowledges and agrees that he has been represented by independent counsel of his own choice throughout all negotiations which preceded the execution of this Agreement, and that he has executed this Agreement with the consent and upon the advice of said independent counsel.
- 14. No Admission of Liability. It is understood that this Agreement is executed by the parties hereto without any admission or confession of any liability or wrongdoing on the part of any party hereto. Each party hereto certifies that he has read all of this Agreement and fully understands the same.
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- 17. Cooperation. The parties agree to reasonably cooperate to execute other documents, including tract improvement plans and specifications, necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties hereto has executed this Settlement Agreement and Full Mutual Release on the date and at the place set forth opposite his respective signature.

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"CAMBRIA WEST"	Approved as to form and content:
CAMBRIA WEST, a California joint venture By: Title: WALTER H. LEIMERT COMPANY, a	ANDRE, MORRIS & BUTTERY, A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION By: DENNIS D. LAW Attorneys for Cambria West
California Corporation By:	DATED:, 1999. BEST, BEST & KRIEGER, LLP
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"THE DISTRICT"
CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
By: Mmeld Weneur
Title: President, Board of Directors
DATED: <u>July 23</u> , 1999.
Approved as to form and content:
LYON & CARMEL
By: Folton
ROGER C. LAON
Attorneys for Cambria Community
Services District
DATED: $\frac{7/27}{}$, 1999.

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND WHEN RECORDED, MAIL TO:

Cambria Community Services District P.O. Box 65 Cambria, CA 93428-0065

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

- 1. On July 12, 1999, Cambria West, a California joint venture, Walter H. Leimert Company, a California corporation, Cambria Properties Limited, a limited partnership, and Leimert Investment Company, a California corporation, (collectively referred to herein as "Cambria West"), and the Cambria Community Services District, a Public Agency ("the District") entered into an unrecorded agreement entitled "Settlement Agreement and Full Mutual Release" (the "Agreement").
- 2. Cambria West owns property in the unincorporated area of San Luis Obispo, State of California, more particularly described as [TRACT 1804 LEGAL DESCRIPTION] (referred to herein as the "Tract 1804 Property").
- 3. Cambria West has received approval of a vesting tentative tract map from the County of San Luis Obispo authorizing an eighteen (18) lot subdivision of the Tract 1804 Property. Cambria West intends to record a final subdivision map prior to December 31, 1999, creating the eighteen (18) lots.
- 4. Cambria West and the District by recordation of this Memorandum of Agreement hereby provide constructive notice to any future owner of the Tract 1804 Property, or any future lot owner within Tract 1804, of the existence of the Agreement. The Agreement imposes upon future lot owners within the Tract 1804 Property requirements to comply with specific requirements of the District's Water Conservation and Retrofit Ordinance requirements before issuance of building permits for construction of any single family residence. The specific requirements for individual lot owners to satisfy District retrofit requirements are as contained in the unrecorded Agreement and in the District's Water Conservation and Retrofit Ordinance in effect at the time of application for a single family residential building permit.

California Corporation Ву:_____ Title: CAMBRIA PROPERTIES LIMITED, a California limited partnership Ву:_____ Title: LEIMERT INVESTMENT COMPANY, a California corporation By:_____ Title: DATED: ______, 1999. "THE DISTRICT" CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT. By: _____ Title:

DATED: ______, 1999.

WALTER H. LEIMERT COMPANY, a



RESOLUTION NO. 13-99 DATED: JULY 12, 1999

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 - 3. This Resolution will become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption.



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Paulette Nighswonger Secretary, Board of Directors

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"EXISTING COMMITMENTS" (

Unimproved Residential "Grandfathered" Meters (Site Inspections of "Grandfathered" Parcels)

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			4.149)2 OO	Vacant
013-101-054		Grove 900 Pineridge	7.5814.00		Vacant Vacant
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013-151-041	013-151-032		6.5803.00	Vacant	
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013-331-014		Buckley Dr	3.1674.00	Vacant	
013-331-023		Buckley Dr	3.1924.00	Vacant	
013-331-041		Buckley Dr	3.1824.00	Vacant	
022-033-019		455 Wellington	3.1397.00	Vacant	
022-083-033		Canterbury	J. 1997.55	Vacant	
022-151-061		Windsor Blvd			Vacant
022-151-085	022-151-064	5500-A Windsor Bl	vd 1.2022.00	Vacant	
022-151-086		5500-B Windsor Bl		Vacant	
022-283-017	022 10, 00.	5147 Windsor Blvd		Vacant	
022-292.003	•	305 Leighton			Vacant
023-014-023		Sherwood & Castle		Vacant	
3-019-023		Madison St		Vacant	
u23-021-005		Madison St		Vacant	
023-041-039		2251 Sherwood	10.6057.00	Vacant	(2nd mtr on 1 parcel)
023-041-033	023-114-017	Sherwood		Vacant	
023-048-007		Fallbrook		Vacant	
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023-426-021		Burton Dr	12.6038.00	Vacant	
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Ea... Assessor's Parcel Number (A.P.No.) is assigned one (1) Residential Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU), unless otherwise noted.

EXHIBIT "B" (Continued) "EXISTING COMMITMENTS"

Unimproved Commercial

013-101-046 C	Main St		Vacant
013-101-064 C	1021 Main St		Vacant
013-101-072 (CCSD)	Main St.		3.0 Comm. W&S EDU's
013-232-004 C	Wall St	5.1544.01	Vacant (Also Sewer)
013-251-003 C	Main St		Vacant
013-261-009 (SLO County)	Center St	÷	1.25 W&S (E.Vill. Restrm)
013-426-008 et al (CCSD)	2850 Burton Dr.		New Fire Station 3.0 EDUs
023-411-021 C	Rodeo Grds Rd	206,6004,00	0 Vacant
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Cambria West Tract 1804

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ORDINANCE NO. 3-99 DATED: JULY 12, 1999 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AMENDING THE DISTRICT'S WATER AND SEWER CONSERVATION AND RETROFIT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the District has in place a water conservation and retrofit program embodied in Ordinance No. 1-98, as amended by Ordinance No. 2-99; and

WHEREAS, the District has reached a Compromise Settlement Agreement with Cambria West/Leimert pertaining to service to eighteen (18) lots within Tract 1804; and

WHEREAS, to carry out the provisions of that Compromise Settlement Agreement, it is necessary to amend provisions of the existing District Water Conservation and Retrofit Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

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64	16	6	11	11		

The "Intent to Serve" letters will advise the applicant that the Board of Directors will conduct a mid-year review of the retrofit program in August at which time it may consider amending this Program to place restrictions on the issuance of permits.

- 2.)(a) The eighteen (18) parcels within Cambria West's Tract 1804 ("Tract 1804 Parcels") are eligible for service permits (water and, where applicable, sewer) upon the parcel owner satisfying the retrofit or retrofit in-lieu fee requirements of this Program in effect at the time a building permit is issued by the County of San Luis Obispo and otherwise satisfying requirements of the July 12, 1999, agreement between the District and Cambria West. The Tract 1804 Parcels are not counted in the determination of the maximum number of EDU's authorized annually under the retrofit Program.
- 2. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption.

On motion of roll call vote, to-wit:	, seconded by Director	, and on the following
AYES: NOES:		
ABSENT:		

Ordinance No. 3-99 is hereby adopted on the 12th day of July, 1999.

Don Villeneuve President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Paulette Nighswonger Secretary, Board of Directors

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Sonia Rogers

Re; Tract 1804 Water System

Dear Ms. Rogers:

This letter responds in part to your letter to the Cambria Community Services District ("the District") dated December 29, 1997 and amends the District's initial response contained in a letter to you from Patrick F. Bradley. The District's prior response to items 2 and 3 of your December 29 letter is superseded by the following response.

As to item 3, the District is ready, willing and able to supply water to lots within Tract 1804 on the terms and conditions of a certain Settlement Agreement between the District and Cambria West et al dated July 12, 1999. A copy of the Settlement Agreement is enclosed for your reference.

As to item 2, the District has ample water for normal household use and fire protection of the lots contained in Tract 1804 and is prepared to provide water subject to the terms of conditions of the Settlement Agreement described above.

If you have any questions or require any further information please contact the undersigned.

Dated:	•	Cambria Community Services District		
		By:		

Enclosure

Walter H. Leimert III

Tract 1804 Water Service Re:

Dear Mr. Leimert:

You have requested that the Cambria Community Services District ("the District") issue a letter to you for the benefit of the County of San Luis Obispo ("the County") in connection with the County's processing of Tract 1804, a vesting tentative tract map. You may deliver a copy of this letter to the appropriate department at the County to be used by the County in the processing of the final map for Tract 1804.

The District is ready, willing and able to provide water service to all 18 lots in Tract 1804 on the terms and conditions of that certain Settlement Agreement between the District and Cambria West et al dated July 12, 1999. The District is ready, willing, and able to provide sewer service to lots 6 through 10 of Tract 1804, also on the terms and conditions of the same Semiement Agreement. You should provide the County with a copy of the Settlement Agreement at the time you provide them with this letter.

If the County has any additional questions or needs any further information please have them contact the undersigned

Dated:	Cambria Community Services District
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On motion of Director Chaldecott , seconded by Director May and on the following roll call vote, to-wit:

AYES: Directors Chaldecott, May, McConnell and Villeneuve NOES:
ABSENT: Director Blanck

The foregoing Resolution was PASSED and ADOPTED this 12th day of July, 1999.

President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Paulette Nighswonger

Secretary, Board of Directors

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AYES:

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NOES:

ABSENT:

Director Blanck

Ordinance No. 3-99 is hereby adopted on the 12th day of July, 1999.

Donald Villeneuve

President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Paulette Nighswonger

Secretary, Board of Directors

From: Christine Heinrichs
To: BoardComment
Subject: Written comments

Date: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 1:30:18 PM

Hello, Leah --

Please include in Written Comments: PUBLIC COMMENT:

I ask the board not to proceed with this closed session meeting today. The Coastal Commission's Notice of Violation is important to the entire community – indeed, to the entire Central Coast – and deserves open and public airing. It raises many issues the district has long ignored, to the detriment of the district, its natural resources, and its finances.

Holding a closed session under the guise of pending or anticipated or existing litigation, whatever word you choose, is premature. The NOV states clearly that these issues can be resolved "quickly and informally." The board should not entertain litigation as the first step in resolving these violations. That's an expensive, divisive, lengthy and unnecessary path.

The board's decision seems preordained: Utilities Manager Ray Dienzo's report for Thursday's meeting shows that he has approved another Will Serve letter, in direct opposition to the NOV's requirements. What can the district be thinking? The public can't know unless the discussion is held in public.

The Coastal Commission is not simply another agency. It is a world-class scientific and legal organization, "committed to protecting and enhancing California's coast and ocean for present and future generations. It does so through careful planning and regulation of environmentally-sustainable development, rigorous use of science, strong public participation, education, and effective intergovernmental coordination." Cambria's CSD should share that commitment.

Embarking on litigation is also doomed to fail. The laws are clear, as is the moral imperative to preserve coastal resources. This is the district's chance to get on the right side of history. Rather than pursuing an expensive legal path (the district recently paid over half a million dollars in another lawsuit), be the heroes. Protect Cambria's water supply. Champion Cambria's environmentally significant, and incidentally beautiful, surroundings. Put this NOV on the agenda for open discussion and lead Cambria in a positive direction. Decide today to comply with the NOV and resolve these issues without subjecting Cambria to more legal and financial drama. Thank you.

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Christine Heinrichs