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22-1469 Alters Recommendations from 14-0518 Planning Department CPC-2022-3413-CA, CPC-2022-3712-ZC, ENV-2022-3414-CE * I welcome the Preferred Plant List for guidance as I have been growing native plants for over 25 years. This motion will rescind the Planning Department recommendations for new build and substantial remodeling in the Wildlife Pilot Study. It will change the Planning Department zone 1 recommendation from 50% native plants to 100% native plant requirements. The restriction of all plantings and sales to native plants only may turn the citizens away from landscaping whatsoever, throwing up their hands and installing plastic grass instead, which has not been made illegal. * It is absolutely appropriate to ban the sale of the proposed Prohibited Plant List from stores, nurseries, wholesalers and others that sell landscaping plants, especially the dreaded Nassella (Stipa) tenuissima. * Outside of the Planning Department’s purview, but not made public here are the reports from the Department of Sanitation’s “Biodiversity Expert Panel”. Our local bird population is affected by loose cats, both pets and feral. The numbers for birds killed by cats is unknown, however, domestic cats are not native. If you want to help increase the number of local birds and assist the migrating birds, you must consider additional rules for keeping cats. Unleashed dogs are also a concern, as I can testify to witnessing a Jack Russell terrier trotting along Runyon Canyon trail with a deceased California quail in its mouth.