



News Alert for Mobilehome Park Owners

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We want to provide you with this current news pertaining to mobilehome parks in the unincorporated area of San Luis Obispo County.

SLO County will be holding a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 regarding the enactment of a Mobilehome Park Conversion Ordinance in an illegal attempt to restrict the ability of mobilehome park owners to subdivide parks in San Luis Obispo County. Pursuant to State law, park owners have the right and ability to subdivide their properties and this proposed Ordinance attempts to limit that right.

Gilchrist & Rutter has successfully challenged similar ordinances and conditions in several other cities and counties. We have won six writs from the courts striking similar roadblocks and obtained approval from SLO County for a mobilehome park subdivision.

Please be aware that there is a limitation on the time period in which to facially challenge the Ordinance. If that time limitation passes without challenge, park owners in San Luis Obispo County will still have the ability to file an application for subdivision, however, litigation may be more difficult as the Ordinance must be met with an As Applied challenge.

If you or any park owners you know in San Luis Obispo County are considering subdivision now or in the future, or if you plan to put your park on the market in the future (park owners are finding that the future ability to subdivide their park increases both its value and marketability), please contact our office and learn more about your rights and how to protect them.

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