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Planning Comm. OKs Berry St. bed & breakfast

Owner Dario Sattui and fiancée Irina Yartseva plan to establish inn for wine club guests, others

By Kim Beltran
Tribune Editor

The Planning Commission gave its approval Wednesday night to a plan by wine mogul Dario Sattui to re-establish a single-family residence at 1322 Berry St. as a bed and breakfast inn.

The Victorian-era home, directly across the street from Calistoga Elementary School, was built in 1905 as a single-family residence, according to city planning staff. It operated as The Brambles B&B from 1986 to 2010, when it was “reverted to use” as a single-family residence.

It was recently purchased by Sattui, at the urging of his fiancée Irina Yartseva, he said, to restore it as a B&B for his wineries’ visiting wine club members as well as members of the general public.

The 3,600-square-foot structure on just under half an acre will contain three guest units on the first floor and a resident manager’s apartment on the second floor.

City planner Zach Tusinger said the property is zoned multi-family residential/office, or R3, and B&Bs are allowed in this zoning district upon approval of a use permit and compliance with certain provisions in the code.

Those include a requirement for having an on-site manager, no more than three units and being “harmonious with the character of the neighborhood in which they

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BLESSED ANIMALS

Cathy Keag and her dog, Nova, joined 8-year-old Daisy Johnston with her dog, Bubbles, and Nathan Schwab and his dog, Valentine, last Sunday at the annual Blessing of the Animals at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Calistoga.

Most of city powered by generators after glitch

“It’s beyond frustrating that we’re in this situation.”

– California Sen. Bill Dodd

By Kim Beltran
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About a third of Calistoga residents were among the hundreds of thousands of Northern California PG&E customers without power as the utility company’s wildfire mitigation shutdown entered its second day on Thursday.

Officials said 80 percent of the town of Calistoga had power, thanks to a bank of generators at a PG&E substation at the city’s northern edge off Highway 29.

Although the generators were supposed to have kicked on at 3 a.m. Wednesday morning – two hours after PG&E initiated its widespread Public Safety Power Shutdown – there was a malfunction that delayed the promised delivery of power to Calistoga residents living on the east side of the Napa River.

By 7 a.m., however, power began coming on in some areas, including Calistoga Springs and Chateau Calistoga mobilehome parks off Brannan Street. By 11 a.m., everyone east of the river had power, including the downtown business district.

Still, the extended power outage caused product losses at stores and restaurants as well as reduced sales since customers didn’t know whether businesses were open or closed.

“We lost the day,” said Clive

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Roastery owner Clive Richardson shares journey to citizenship

By Kim Beltran
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Clive Richardson’s United States permanent resident alien card was issued so long ago that Canadian customs officials he encountered on a trip two years ago didn’t recognize it.

A senior supervisor called to assess the document told him that if he lost the card, there would be no way to replace it and his status could be jeopardized.

After living in the U.S. for 30 years, Richardson decided it was time to bite the bullet and become an official U.S. citizen.

On Sept. 18, he and 1,355 others were sworn in during a ceremony held at Oakland’s Paramount Theater. Richardson’s wife of 20 years, Robin, was there to witness

the event.

After pledging his allegiance to his new country, he was handed a tiny American flag and a certificate of citizenship.

The ceremony itself was “a bit disappointing,” Richardson said in his heavy British accent, recounting several dry “speeches” in which immigration officials rattled off details about how the new citizens should apply for social security cards and passports. A videotaped message from President Donald Trump was dry as well and delivered with little emotion, the native of Goring-by-Sea on England’s south coast said.

About two-thirds of the people

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Clive Richardson has lived in the United States as a permanent resident alien since 1989. Last month, he became a U.S. citizen.

UVFC Immigration Program offers pathway to citizenship

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Jose has been a St. Helena resident for many years. He is a dedicated husband, a father of three children, a farm worker, and now a U.S. citizen. After 29 years of living, working and raising a family in the United States, Jose decided it was time to become a citizen, and he proudly took his oath ceremony recently.

Jose reached out to staff in our Immigration Program at the recommendation of a family member, who urged him to learn more about applying for citizenship. Though he had been interested for some time, he was very reluctant to apply, concerned about

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