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JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS & PLANNING COMMISSION
JULY 10, 2013

PRESENT: DENNY STRAUB, DAN WYRICK, EARL BOCK- Planning Commission; BOB WRIGHTSTONE, JONATHAN REISINGER, J.R. BARRETT – Board of Supervisors; Laura Portillo, Manager Larry Barrick, Assistant Manager/Zoning & Codes Enforcement Officer; Denise Gembusia, Secretary/Treasurer.

VISITORS: A.C. Kuhn, David Liberator, Kathy Walton, Ellen Colyer, Judy Brough, Bill Rodier.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Wrightstone called the meeting to order at 6.00pm and those present recited the pledge of allegiance.

OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no opening announcements.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chairman Reisinger motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Barrett and passed unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT (non-agenda items)

There was no public comment.

BUSINESS

1. Discussion regarding the Draft Ordinance Task Force.

Manager Portillo provided the names of the people who had expressed interest in joining one of the task force groups. They are as follows: Cathy Little, Judy Brough, Ken Giffhorn, Dan Wyrick, Lynn Hoover, Jason Black, Denny Straub, Chris Ferrisi and Earl Bock. Bob Livingston was also interested in joining a task force, but was going to be unavailable for a stretch of time due to personal reasons. Manager Portillo reviewed the new draft zoning ordinance changes that were approved by the Board including the removal of the forestry section and sliding scale zoning. Solicitor Smith highlighted word replacements in yellow and wording that must remain in the ordinance in blue. The table of contents will need to be updated as well.

Chairman Wrightstone presented his idea for the assignments for each of the three groups. The Board and Planning Commission members discussed the plan and agreed on the following groups and assignments:

GROUP #1 – Article 4

- Supervisor Barrett
- Earl Bock
- Judy Brough
- Ken Giffhorn

GROUP #2 – Article 2, Section 200 & Section 201 AND Article 3

- Supervisor Wrightstone
- Dan Wyrick
- Cathy Little
- Lynn Hoover

GROUP #3 – Article #1, Article #5, Article #2 (Sections 210 through 231) & Zoning Map

- Supervisor Reisinger
- Denny Straub
- Chris Ferrisi
- Jason Black

Manager Portillo said she would provide each individual with contact information for the groups.

Judy Brough asked for clarification that the expectation is that each person read their assigned section prior to the group meeting. The Board said that that is the expectation.

Dan Wyrick questioned how decisions will be made in the small groups and within the overall group of individuals if there is a conflict. The Board agreed that a consensus will determine decisions within each group and within the overall group. Stalemates within the small groups can be discussed amongst the overall group.

Supervisor Reisinger said he was interested in shrinking down the document and discussed his belief that zoning should be viewed as an opportunity and not a chance to restrict.

Bill Rodier questioned why the Board doesn't just decide the direction of the draft zoning ordinance on their own. They were elected to represent the people. Chairman Wrightstone explained that he was interested in getting other people's opinions. Earl Bock added that a collaboration effort will often result in a better decision because of the different areas of expertise that each person can bring to the group. Mr. Rodier asked if the names of the group participants will be publicized. The Board agreed that the names of the people within the groups would be public, but each person's contact information would not be publicized.

After a discussion over how often groups should meet, Judy Brough asked for each person to receive an electronic copy of the updated document. The Board agreed and Manager Portillo said she would email the word document to each person. There was a brief discussion over whether or not small group meetings would be considered public meetings, which they are not. Direction was given for the small groups to provide the overall group with a status update in mid-September.

Judy Brough thanked the Board for being transparent in their decisions and communication regarding the topics discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Reisinger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:08pm. Supervisor Barrett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Gembusia
Secretary/Treasurer

