

Spokane Plan Commission

March 8, 2017

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:01 pm

Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Dennis Dellwo, Todd Beyreuther, John Dietzman, Jacob Brooks, Christopher Batten, Christy Jeffers, Patricia Kienholz, Michael Baker, Greg Francis; Community Assembly Liaison, Lori Kinnear; Council Liaison
- Board Not Members Present: FJ Dullanty
- Staff Members Present: Lisa Key, Amanda Winchell, Jacqui Halvorson, James Richman, Jo Anne Wright, Boris Borisov, Dave Kokot, Andrew Worlock, Tirrell Black

Public Comment:

- None

Briefing Session:

February 22, 2017 meeting minutes approved unanimously

1. City Council Liaison Report-Lori Kinnear
 - A resolution was brought forward last week regarding snow removal in the right of way in Downtown and throughout the neighborhoods.
 - A drone ordinance is being drafted up to protect the area of the airport.
 - Council is receiving Public comments regarding the Comprehensive Plan.
 - Council has been receiving concerns from the Public regarding the plan the City has brought forward on the North Monroe Corridor project. The Staff and the Mayor have been working on addressing the concerns that have been received.
2. Community Assembly Liaison Report- Greg Francis
 - None
3. Transportation Subcommittee Report - John Dietzman
 - None
4. Secretary Report-Lisa Key
 - The Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee meeting was rescheduled for March 14, 2017.
 - The next Joint Plan Commission/City Council Study Session on Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 3:30pm.
 - Comprehensive Plan Amendment hearing deliberation process was discussed.
 - Formal deliberation for the Comprehensive Plan Amendments will be held during the next Plan Commission meeting held on Wednesday, March 22, 2017
5. Commission President Report-Dennis Dellwo
 - None

Workshops:

1. **Existing Neighborhood Commercial Structures in Residential Zones-Nathan Gwinn**
 - Presentation and overview given
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued
2. **Infill Project Update-Nathan Gwinn**
 - Presentation and overview given
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued
3. **Parklet Ordinance Workshop-Tami Palmquist**
 - Presentation and overview given

- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Hearings:

1. Comprehensive Plan Update- Jo Anne Wright

- Presentation and overview given
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Public Comment:

Paul Kropp commented on the Land Use chapter and the Capital Facilities chapter missing maps of the Urban Growth Areas (UGA). Continued commenting that Chapter 4 is missing the “put the pedestrians first” concept.

Nathan Smith commented on Land Use Policy chapter 1.16-Mobile Home Parks. Stating that the Plan Commission recommended this policy be denied in 2015 and was later approved by City Council. He is requesting that the language be adjusted to be more incentivized and less “prescriptive”.

Stanley Schwartz commented on incentivizing Land Use chapter 1.16-Mobile Home Parks. Also commented on CFU 3.6-Limitation of Services outside Urban Growth Area. Requesting to modify CFU 3.65 to include phrasing that provides the City with the authority to approve extensions of the sewer lines outside the UGA on a case by case basis.

Wayne Venters commented on the CFU 3.65, requesting the language presented by Stanley Schwartz be accepted.

2. Wetlands Ordinance Amendments- Jo Anne Wright

- Presentation and overview given
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Public Comment:

Tracy Prouty requested the City protects the designated wetland behind the Hampton in that boarder’s I-90.

Motion

Todd Beyreuther made a motion to recommend to the City Council the approval of the proposed amendments to the unified development code. The proposal amends the Wetlands Protection Code by making changes to Spokane Municipal Code (SMC) Chapter 17E.07-Wetlands Protection. Motion seconded by John Dietzman.

Commission continued discussion.

President Dellwo read the following conclusion:

With regard as to whether the proposed amendments meet the approval criteria for text amendments to SMC 17E. 070-Wetlands Protection, the Plan Commission makes the following findings:

The proposed Amendments do bear substantial relation to the public safety, health, welfare and protection to the environment.

By a vote of 8 to 0, the Plan Commission recommends to the City Council the approval of the proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code

Meeting Adjourned at 5:24 P.M.

Next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for **March 22, 2017**