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REDMOND URBAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes

Tuesday, February 3, 2014

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

Commissioners Present: Chair Evan Dickens, Vice-Chair Dean Lanouette, David Allen, Anne Graham, Bea Leach, Eric Porter (absent: *Lori McCoy*)

Youth Ex Officio Member Present: Jennifer Cort

City Staff: James Lewis, *Planning Manager*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: Tory Allman, *City Councilor*; Leslie Pugmire Hole, *Redmond Spokesman*

(scribe CP's note: The minutes were created from an audio record and notes taken at the meeting. The three digits after the motion title show the number of Commissioners voting in favor/against/abstaining.)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dickens opened the meeting at 6 p.m. Six commissioners introduced themselves, establishing a quorum.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion 1: Commissioner Graham moved to approve the October 15 and December 17, 2013, minutes. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion which passed with Commissioners Allen, Graham, Lanouette, and Porter voting in favor of the October 15 minutes and Commissioner Dickens abstaining due to his absence from that meeting and Commissioners voting unanimously in favor of the December 17 minutes.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS (None)

IV. WORK SESSION

A. Development Code Amendment: Consistency with Comprehensive Plan and State/Federal Law

Mr. Lewis said the purpose of the amendment was to add new language to the City of Redmond Development Code, referencing applicability of the Redmond Urban Area Comprehensive Plan to the Redmond Development Code and compliance with state and federal law. City Council requested this amendment to assure that no land use violates state or federal law.

Commissioner concerns included defining "proponent," potential consequences, vagueness of reference to state and federal laws that must be complied with, City Attorney review, and adding a new burden to applicants.

Following discussion, Commissioners agreed by consensus to move the following language forward to a Planning Commission public hearing on March 3, 2014: "Section 8.0026.

Consistency with Plans and Laws. Actions initiated under this Code shall be consistent with applicable state and federal laws and regulations as these plans, laws, and regulations may now or hereafter provide. No parcel of land or structure may be used for, or in conjunction with, an activity that violates any state or federal law.”

Commissioners requested a second work session on February 24, 2014, to continue discussion on the balance of the proposed new text, starting with Sentence 3.

B. Discuss Planning Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2014-2015
Mr. Lewis presented the revised draft work plan for FY 2014-15.

Following discussion, Commissioners agreed by consensus that the proposed FY 2014-15 work plan was acceptable.

C. Comprehensive Plan Update Process

Mr. Lewis presented his staff report, summarizing the results of research into Commissioners’ request at their January 7 meeting that the City consider updating the entire comp plan as soon as possible. He outlined the resources needed (staffing, financing) and processes required to assure compliance with Oregon Statewide Planning Goal 2 (public involvement). He said that Community Development Director Heather Richards took Planning Commission’s proposal to the City’s management team. The management team did not support beginning the comp plan update in FY 2014-15 because resources needed to do this project would come from the General Fund. He reviewed how Lake Oswego conducted its comp plan update.

Commissioners discussed why the City should do this now when the state isn’t requiring it and can’t allocate funding, access to public input on the Lake Oswego comp plan update process, impact to the City of not resolving inconsistencies, and advantages/disadvantages to piecemeal updates vs. updating the vision and the entire plan.

V. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS (None)

VI. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Lewis reported that Portland State University declined Redmond’s request for assistance with the neighborhood revitalization project.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Allen said Council’s consideration of what to do with the Old Redmond Schoolhouse was a good example of how local government should work.

Chair Dickens summarized changes made to the Planning Commission agenda and meeting schedule to improve efficiency. For the next three months, public hearings will be held at 7 p.m. on the 1st Monday in Council chambers. Work sessions will be at 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Commissioner Leach reported she will be absent from the March 3 meeting due to a prior personal commitment.

Ms. Cort requested clarification about her role in publicizing Planning Commission activities with the student leadership team at Redmond Proficiency Academy (RPA), where she is a student. Chair Dickens explained the value of student feedback on community issues. Mr. Lewis offered to attend the RPA leadership meetings to summarize Commission activities and how students can become involved.

