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REDMOND URBAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes

Tuesday, August 16, 2011

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

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chair Eric Porter, Vice Chair Will Van Vactor, Tory Allman, Bob Bleile, Stan Clark (*absent:* Katie McDonald; 1 position vacant)

VISITORS: Mark Porter

CITY STAFF: Heather Richards, *Community Development Director*; James Lewis, *Long-Range Planner*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

(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 shows the number of members voting in favor/against/abstaining.)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Porter opened the meeting at 7 p.m. with a quorum present.

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS (None)

III. WORK SESSION

A. Wireless/Broadcast Communications Facilities

Mr. Lewis presented his staff report (draft code dated August 16, 2011) and 15 color photographs of 40 submitted by Libbi Albright, showing the Verizon cell tower facility in the Cascade Vista neighborhood. He reviewed changes made by Commissioners and staff and discussed the rationale behind those changes. The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for September 6, 2011.

Ms. Richards reported that the City has received a lot of complaints about the Verizon facility.

Mark Porter (Chair Porter's cousin, a CenturyLink employee, and a resident of the Cascade Vista neighborhood), discussed possible reasons why Bonneville Power Administration changed its wooden power poles to steel structures. Planes fly low enough over his house that he can read the registration numbers. Why don't towers on Forked Horn Butte have FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) lights on them?

Commissioner concerns included *definitions for "practicable" and "breakpoint," difference between "towers" and "other support structures," homeowner association comments, maintenance hours, and maintenance schedule compliance/enforcement.*

By consensus, Commissioners proposed changes to Sections 8.0415 (table), 8.0425(6), 8.0430(1.C.1, 3.D, 9, 12.C), 8.0435(2.B.5), and 8.0445(6).

B. Redmond Development Commission

Ms. Richards said that in 2009 City Council created the RDC to develop a strategic plan to foster development of 10,000 new century (sustainable, good-wage) jobs by 2030. Key to this effort is identifying desirable job types, diversifying the employment base, and reaching out to impacted agencies and community partners. This comprehensive economic and urban development plan contains six chapters: Business Development, Infrastructure, Identity, Livability, Education/Workforce, and Government. The strategic plan, when adopted, will help City Council leverage resources for work programs of Planning Commission and other partners.

Mr. Lewis said that RDC's role, in addition to advising City Council, will be to coordinate and facilitate economic development activities among community groups/partners. RDC consulted Planning Commissioners during the initial phases of the strategic planning process and is now requesting PC feedback on the draft plan goals, strategies, actions, and tasks. This 20-year document will be updated periodically. RDC will hold a public meeting in September 2011.

Commissioner concerns included *identifying community partners, impact on Economic Development for Central Oregon, leadership/accountability for success, RDC membership, impact on Redmond's development code and comprehensive plan, funding, PC feedback options, and impacts to the PC work schedule.*

Vice Chair Van Vactor and Mr. Allman agreed to serve on a subcommittee to review the draft strategic plan.

By consensus, Commissioners agreed to a work session on this issue before meeting with the RDC in October 2011. Chair Porter, upon receiving PC approval, said he would make an introductory call to RDC Chair Bill Braly.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion 1 (4/0/1): Commissioner Van Vactor moved to approve the July 5 and July 19, 2011, minutes subject to deleting Commissioner Clark's name from the list of Commissioners present on July 19. Commissioner Allman seconded the motion which passed with Commissioners Allman, Bleile, Porter, and Van Vactor voting in favor and Commissioner Clark abstaining.

V. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS (None)

VI. STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Richards asked Commissioners to help fill the vacancy caused by John Nastari's resignation in July 2011. The City is advertising but has received no applications. The League of Oregon Cities annual conference is being held in Bend this year. The Oregon City Planning Directors Association is hosting a training session on September 29, 2011. Commissioners may e-mail ideas for training topics to herself, Mr. Lewis, or Deschutes County Planning Director Nick Lelack.

Mr. Lewis handed out the Projected Work Plan – September 2011 through July 2012. Planning Commission will be working on Wireless and Broadcast Communication Facility Code, Redmond Bicycle Refinement Plan, Redmond Development Commission Strategic Plan Review, Sign Code update, Redmond Westside UGB (urban growth boundary) Expansion Area Plan, City Center Housing Plan, and Development Code revisions.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS (None)

IX. ADJOURN

With no further business, Chair Porter adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Urban Area Planning Commission and SIGNED by me this 4th day
of October, 2011.

ATTEST:

/s/ Eric Porter
Eric Porter, Chair