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REDMOND URBAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

Council Chambers, 777 SW Deschutes Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

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

CITY STAFF: James Lewis, *Long-Range Planner*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

VISITORS: Libbi Albright, Frank Smith

(scribe CP's note: The minutes were created from notes taken at the meeting.)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Van Vactor opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. with a quorum present.

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS (None)

III. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Wireless/Broadcast Communication Facilities (continued from September 6, 2011)

Mr. Lewis presented his staff report, summarizing results of research into Commissioner concerns from September 6. City legal counsel Pam Beery has stated that the draft code conforms with federal law, though she identified statements on which the City could face legal challenges. She suggested adding a provision so the City can collect a fee from applicants to cover independent review by specialized consultants, thus ensuring that applicant-submitted information/justification is true and accurate. Bruce White (representing Libbi and Robert Albright) submitted a letter on September 19, 2011. The letter contained suggestions to clarify and strengthen the code, specifically the City's ability to limit and regulate facilities proposed for siting in residential zones.

Vice Chair Van Vactor re-opened the hearing to oral testimony.

* Frank Smith urged the City to retain the ability to deny new telecommunications facilities under the realm of federal law as long as adequate findings are made based on substantive information in the record. (*Mr. Lewis responded that the review process of the draft code gives the City this ability.*)

Vice Chair Van Vactor closed the hearing to further oral testimony but left the written record open until 5 p.m. on September 27, 2011.

Following discussion, Commissioners agreed that staff and City legal counsel review of Mr. White's letter would be helpful in their final deliberation/recommendation on October 4, 2011.

IV. WORK SESSION

A. Redmond Development Commission – Strategic Plan Correspondence

Mr. Lewis presented his staff report, summarizing the history and intent of the RDC and the purpose of the strategic plan. This plan was introduced to Planning Commissioners at their August 16, 2011, meeting. RDC is seeking feedback from Planning Commission, other City commissions, public agencies, community groups and organizations to assure that the plan makes Redmond attractive for new economic development.

Commissioner concerns included the *RDC’s role, how the strategic plan works in conjunction with other City documents (comprehensive plan), consistency with other City plans, closer link needed between each Action Plan and its guiding Strategy, and redundancy (overlap in policy direction and references to bicycle, trail, park, and other plans currently in place).*

By consensus, Commissioners directed staff to schedule a work session on October 4, 2011, to continue their review of the draft RDC Strategic Plan. Commissioners will review staff’s summary of their concerns, add suggestions for specific tasks, and work toward an official set of comments that can be forwarded to the RDC.

V. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS (None)

VI. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Lewis reported on upcoming issues (updating multi-family residential development standards and the sign code) and the Mixed-Use Live/Work Zone, now being reviewed by City Council. Staff will notify R4 residents if Council adds their neighborhood back onto the MULW map.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS (None)

VIII. ADJOURN

With no further business, Vice Chair Van Vactor adjourned the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

/s/ Will Van Vactor
Will Van Vactor, Vice Chair