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PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2016
7:00 PM
MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
Commissioner Cruger called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **FLAG SALUTE:**
Commissioner Cruger led the Planning Commission, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Planning Commission	City Staff
Commissioner Frederick Cruger – Present	City Clerk Darla Reese
Commissioner Chris Marsh – Present	
Commissioner Scott Morrison – Present	City Consultant
Commissioner Ron Stephenson - Present	Ray Sturtz - Community Planning Services
Commissioner Kevin Harrison - Present	

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. **Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015**

Commissioner Marsh moved to approve the meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015. Motion seconded by Commissioner Morrison and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Marsh – Aye, Commissioner Stephenson – Aye, Commissioner Cruger – Aye, Commissioner Harrison – Aye, Commissioner Morrison - Aye

B. **Meeting Minutes of December 22, 2015**

Commissioner Morrison moved to approve the meeting Minutes of December 22, 2015. Motion seconded by Commissioner Marsh and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Marsh – Aye, Commissioner Stephenson – Aye, Commissioner Cruger – Aye, Commissioner Harrison – Aye, Commissioner Morrison - Aye

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS – NON ACTION ITEMS**

   No one chose to comment during this portion of the meeting.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

   A. **Manufactured/Mobile Home Park Regulations Amendment**

   Consultant Sturtz and the Planning Commission discussed recommended amendments to 19.06.120 including:
   1. Stipulate compliance with the applicable landscaping and screening regulations in 19.06.020.
   2. Include specific setback requirements to provide adequate building separation and buffer areas on the boundaries of a manufactured home park.
   3. Require at least 15% of the gross area be in open space and recreational area available to all residents of the manufactured home park.

   Consultant Sturtz explained tonight's discussion is just to see if the Planning Commission is interested in adding these items on the Docket. It is not for any decisions to be made.

   Commissioner Stephenson moved to go ahead and put the Comprehensive Plan to add manufactured/mobile home parks to the Annual Docket for 2016. Motion seconded by Commissioner Harrison and passed 5-0.

   Commissioner Marsh – Aye, Commissioner Stephenson – Aye, Commissioner Cruger – Aye, Commissioner Harrison – Aye, Commissioner Morrison - Aye

   B. **2016 Comprehensive Plan & Development Regulations Annual Docket List**

   Consultant Sturtz individually discussed the items to be considered for the 2016 Annual Docket.

   Commissioner Marsh moved the proposed amendments described in Attachments A and B be recommended to the City Council for consideration and processing as part of the Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Annual Docket for 2016. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stephenson and passed 5-0.

   Commissioner Marsh – Aye, Commissioner Stephenson – Aye, Commissioner Cruger – Aye, Commissioner Harrison – Aye, Commissioner Morrison - Aye

7. **CURRENT BUSINESS (None)**

8. **REPORTS:**

Commissioners Marsh and Cruger talked about the meeting they had with Annique Bennett (Snohomish County) and Adrian Hall (Forest Service) including ideas brought up to help bring tourism to the City, closure of Mount Pilchuck in the winter, Monte Cristo and Gold Basin and how it hurts the City. Access road to Monte Cristo (main access) will be open in the spring, grand opening and promotion utilizing County Tourism Bureau, road maintenance of Mountain Loop Highway, City website, Tourism website maintenance, and grant funding applications.

   A. **Staff Reports**

There were no comments on the Staff Report.

   B. **Homework Assignments**

There were no homework assignments.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

There were no correspondence items.

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Cruger adjourned the meeting.