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SUMMARY MINUTES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

Douglas County Planning Commissioners Present:

Chair Carol Kavanaugh, Vice Chair Fred Suter, Brad Vickery, Britt Dudek, Norman Cavadini, Angela King, Randy Kennedy

Douglas County Staff Present:

Mark Kulaas, Land Services Director
Glen DeVries, Planning Manager
Stephen Neuenschwander, Senior Planner
Jennifer Lange, Assistant County Engineer

Public Present: Twelve persons signed the attendance roster.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER - 6:30 pm

II. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- Review of the August 19, 2009 summary minutes. Chair Kavanaugh identified a spelling error on page 1. Commissioner King moved to adopt the as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dudek and was unanimously approved.

III. Citizen Comment - None

IV. Old Business – None

V. New Business – Prior to commencing the scheduled public hearing, Planning Commission Chair Carol Kavanaugh read into the record a letter addressed from her to the Board of Commissioners, the Planning Commission, the citizens of Douglas County and Douglas County Transportation and Land Services staff. The subject of the letter was respect, decorum, and civility expected during meetings and hearings by the county planning staff to the members of the public and the planning commission. Chair Kavanaugh then read the Planning Commission public hearing procedures.

A. Public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Title 12 Road Standards.

Jennifer Lange, Assistant County Engineer presented the staff report. No comments or questions were made by the planning commission. No members of the public spoke in favor of the proposed amendments. No members of the public spoke in opposition to the proposed amendments. Chair Kavanaugh closed the public testimony. Commissioner Dudek made a motion to approve the proposed amendments to Douglas County Code Title 12 consistent with the findings of fact and conclusions identified in the staff report. Commissioner Kennedy seconded the motion. Commissioner Suter inquired if the comments submitted by the Washington State Department of Transportation were incorporated into the motion to approve. The response was that the comments were not included. The motion passed with seven (7) votes in favor and zero (0) opposed.

B. Public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Title 18 Zoning:

Director Kulaas addressed the memorandum provided to the planning commission and stated that the Board of Commissioners need a recommendation by September 22, 2009.

Planning Manager Glen DeVries and Senior Planner Stephen Neuenschwander presented a power point presentation of the staff report. Planning staff addressed questions from the planning commission. The planning commission decided to receive public testimony on the proposed amendments to Chapter 14.98 Definitions, 18.16.046 Clustering, Chapter 18.16. 220 Agricultural Support separately.

No public comments were made wither in favor or opposed to the proposed amendments to Chapter 14.98 Definition.

No public comments were made in favor of the proposed amendments to Chapter 18.16.046 Clustering. Speaking in opposition to the proposed amendments were John Groen, Martin Davy, Morgan Picton, and Joshua Corning.

No public comments were made in favor of the proposed amendments to Chapter 18.16.220. Public comments in opposition were made by Joshua Corning and John Corning.

Chair Kavanaugh closed the public testimony.

Commissioner Dudek made a motion to approve the proposed amendments to Douglas County Code Chapters 14.98 Definitions, 18.16.046 Clustering, and 18.16.220 Agricultural Support with the suggested findings of fact and conclusions. Commissioners Suter seconded the motion. Commissioner King made a motion to amend the original motion to remove the second and third sentences from the proposed amendments to 18.16.046F.2.a. Commissioner Dudek seconded the motion to amend the original motion. The planning commission voted unanimously to adopt the amendment to the original motion.

Planning Commissioners in favor of the amended motion: King, Vickery, Cavadini, and Suter. Planning Commissioners in opposition to the amended motion: Dudek, Kavanaugh, Kennedy. The motion failed with a 4 to 3 vote. Chair Kavanaugh closed the public hearing. *Planning commission bylaws require that a "...recommendation to the board of commissioners of any official control or amendments thereto, shall require the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the total membership of the planning commission."* The recommendation forwarded to the board of commissioners was a denial of the proposed amendments.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:47 PM.