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MINUTES

**CITY PLAN COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2009
CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING CENTER, LOWER LEVEL,
CITY HALL – SPOKANE, WASHINGTON**

CPC MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Ekins, President; Karen Byrd, Vice President; John Fisher; Stan Stirling; Greta Gilman; Bob Mansfield; Gail Prosser

CPC MEMBERS ABSENT: Dennis Dellwo; Asher Ernst; Dan Murphy

LIAISON PRESENT: Al French, Council Member, and Kaye Straight, Community Assembly.

STAFF PRESENT: Planning Services - Leroy Eadie, Secretary to the Plan Commission; Pat Hall, administrative support; Marla French, City Planner

GUEST: Dwight Hume

The Commission meeting began at 11:37 a.m. General commission business was discussed.

Councilman French gave the Council report. The discussion included:

- Public hearing for the Sign Code was closed on May 26. Written testimony will close on June 8. It is expected to be adopted on June 22.
- Plans for acquisition of the YMCA building will be completed soon. Council may go after Conservation Futures funding. There may be some other community uses besides tearing the building down. The City and County have been working closely on plans for the site.

Leroy Eadie gave the Director's report. The discussion included:

- The subcommittee for the Comp Plan Chapter review will be set up soon.
- Mr. Eadie has spoken with the staff from Channel 5 about the possibility of taping the Plan Commission meetings. Potentially, certain key workshops may be taped first. The purpose is to increase accessibility to the citizens.
- There is an upcoming workshop for a street name change from Riverside extension to Martin Luther King Jr. Way.
- The Master Bike Plan was presented to City Council on May 18. The hearing was closed but the written record remains open until June 8. Planning staff and Engineering Services staff is holding a meeting on May 27. Gail Prosser said Rockwood was approached by the chair of the Bicycle Advisory Board

asking to collaborate differently on the bicycle boulevard that travels through Rockwood. They would like to go back to the original route.

- The Mayor has initiated a taskforce to work on bus benches. Public Works is the lead; Jo Anne Wright is representing Planning Services on the taskforce.

Kaye Straight gave the Community Assembly report. The discussion included:

- The NUSA convention was a success. Attendance was down presumably because of the economy. The Hillyard neighborhood planning effort was voted second.

President Ekins gave the President's report. The discussion included:

- President Ekins and Mr. Eadie attended the Boards and Commissions summit on May 15.
- A REDCON presentation will be held on May 29.
- August is targeted for the next Plan Commission/City Council meeting.

Karen Byrd made the motion to approve the May 13, 2009 minutes as amended. Passed unanimously.

COMMISSION WORKSHOP

2007 and 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendments substantive workshop, by Marla French

Marla French presented the 2007 and 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendments. She also presented the decision criteria used for the process. The discussion included:

- Z2007-064-LU – 3024 East Fairview Avenue
 - a) Traffic supports this proposal with specific traffic analysis conducted prior to permit.
- Z2007-074-LU – 6624 North Napa Street and 6717 North Crestline Street
 - a) Traffic does not support this proposal.
 - b) Planning has received several e-mails in opposition from the Morgan Acres neighborhood. Councilman French asked the nature of the opposition. They do not want more expansion of Light Industrial into their neighborhood. Morgan Acres is in the County, which is a minimum of one-acre lots.
- Z2008-080-LU – 2816 East 36th Avenue
 - a) Traffic supports this proposal with project specific traffic analysis conducted prior to permit.
- Decision Criteria – SMC 17G.020.010(C)
 - a) Each proposal must meet all of the conditions and requirements prior to being approved.
 - b) The first 13 criterion must be consistent with GMA.
- Review Criteria – SMC 17G020.010(D)
- Dwight Hume gave a brief history about Z2007-074-LU, the Jay Hoffman Comp Plan Amendment.

- The comment period ends June 11.
- The proponent has not met with the neighborhoods at this time; this will cause a postponement of the Public Hearing that was anticipated in June 2009. Once the neighborhood meetings have taken place, the public comment period can close and the Plan Commission can prepare for a Public Hearing.
- The next workshop will be on June 10. A representative from Traffic will attend to address issues related to the Jay Hoffman Comp Plan Amendment. Also discussed will be a new timeline for application processing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Ekins welcomed the public and asked for public comment. The following person spoke:

- Steve McConnell: lives on the South Hill and walks to work at the Saranac Building. He has concerns about a construction site where there has been no activity for some time but, the sidewalk is obstructed by a construction fence. Mr. Eadie offered to help by speaking with other departments to facilitate an answer to his concern.

Karen Byrd made the motion to adjourn the meeting. M/S Bob Mansfield. Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.



Leroy Eadie, Secretary