AUGUST 4, 2020 VIA ZOOM OMAK PLANNING COMMISSION PLANNING MINUTES

Call to Order:

Chairwoman Harrison called the meeting via Zoom of the Omak Planning Commission to order at 5:30 PM and a quorum was established.

Commissioner & Administrative Personnel:

Sheila Harrison, Chair

Kurt Danison, Contract Planner

Stacey Okland, Vice Chair

Tyler Wells, Building Official

Pat Davisson

Amber Scott, Deputy Clerk

Erin Mundinger Barry Hansen

Anne Potter

Approval of Minutes – July 7, 2020 Meeting

Commissioner Mundinger moved, seconded by Commissioner Potter, to approve the July 7, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Transportation Element

Kurt Danison, Contract Planner explained the WSDOT created a US 97 Omak Area Transportation Study in 2019. This detailed study was given to the Commissioners in 2019. Mr. Danison would like the commissioners to review sections to give input to the council, he suggests to review a section at a time with each meeting. He would like the commissioners to review before the meetings and take notes and come together and discuss ideas and questions. The first section for discussion at the September meeting is:

5.0 Strategy Descriptions and Recommendations

Focus Area 1- US 97 and Sand Flat Road

Strategy 1-Extend 50 mph Speed Zone

Strategy 2-Single Lane Roundabout

Strategy 3-Traffic Signal

Zoning Amendments

Kurt Danison asked the Commissioners if they wanted to further discuss the Zoning issues that were discussed at the February Meeting. The issues include, Nightly Rentals, Duplexes in single-family zones, Standards for development for Residential Zones and Off-Street Parking for Residential uses in the Central Business Zoning District.

Commissioner Potter does feel we need to address Nightly Rentals more, as she suggests to address potential issues now than later. Commissioners agreed, although it was decided that it may be worth taking another look at and address nightly rentals before they become an issue.

Tyler Wells, City Building Official would like to further discuss the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for duplexes. Mr. Wells feels this is a waste of time and money for the Builder and Council, as he finds that it is usually permitted. After discussion, the Commissioners agreed this needs to be kept in place but should be further discussed. Commissioner Mundinger doesn't feel we should allow duplexes in a single-family zones. This will be on the next agenda, to finalize recommendations.

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Tyler Wells brought to attention of the Commissioners of some conflicts in the Omak Municipal Code. He would like to further discuss at the next meeting. But wanted to provide the code numbers now, if a commissioners wanted to review. Below is the list.

OMC 18.52.010-Zoning-Administration

OMC 18.16.122-Accesory Structures

OMC 18.11.020 -Accessory Uses

OMC 18.16.020- General Development Standards

OMC 17.36 -Deviations from Street Design Development

He briefly discussed them; This will be added to next months agenda to further review the list...

Other Business

Tyler Wells informed the Commissioners, he doesn't have an update on Meadow Pointe, which was expected to break ground this month, he will check in with the project manager.

He also has been working a project that is being looked at again, that was placed on hold a few years ago. The River Ridge Planned Development on Dewberry Street.

Next meeting is scheduled via Zoom September 1, 2020 @ 5:30 p.m.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

SIGNED:

Sheila Harrison, Chair

Amber Scott, Deputy Clerk