July 7, 2020 OMAK PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING AND PLANNING MINUTES

Call to Order:

Chairwoman Harrison called the meeting 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 - March 3, 2020 Meeting

Commissioner Davisson moved, seconded by Commissioner Potter, to approve the March 4, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing-Deviation from Street Design at 83 Copple Road Parcel#6480110001

Chairwoman Harrison opened the Public Hearing for the deviation from street design standards at 83 Copple Round Parcel #6480110001. She read the public hearing disclaimer for the record. None of the Members excused themselves from the hearing and none of the members have engaged in communication outside of the hearing. Chairwoman Harrison asked Building Official, Tyler Wells to summarize his staff report. Chairwoman Harrison asked that the Commissioners hold their questions until after the staff report was summarized. Tyler Wells summarized the staff report regarding the deviation of street standards. Also, in the agenda packet was a letter of support from the Public Works Director, Ken Mears. Ken Mears concurs with our Building Official and BDK Engineering LLC to allow the 24ft wide double chip seal with adequate drainage ditches alongside rather than the city standard of curbs, gutters, sidewalks and asphalt paving due to the minimal usage of a dead-end roadway. The project will be 216 storage units on 4.37 acres. Roni Holder- Diefenbach, part owner of Four Pillars Property LLC was present to answer any questions regarding the project. Chairwoman Harrison asked if any Commissioners had any questions, concerns for staff or owner regarding project. Commissioner Hansen verified about drainage and sidewalks. Kurt Danision, Contract Planner also concurs with Public Works Director, Ken Mears that the project will have adequate width and drainage for a dead end road with not much traffic. Kurt Dannison went on further to explain, if approved this will be presented to the Hearing Examiner, for a public hearing on the CUP (Conditional Use Permit) required for development of the mini-storage.

Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Mundinger to approve the request for deviation and forward it to the Hearing Examiner for the record in the hearing for the Conditional Use Permit application. Motion carried.

Chairwoman Harrison closed the public hearing at 5:42 PM.

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Other Business

Kurt Danison recommends to tackle the Transportation Element next meeting. Scheduled for August 4th @ 5:30pm. Deputy Clerk will verify if an in-person meeting can happen or if it will be required to be via Zoom.

Kurt Danison stated he had a call regarding a 200 mobile unit park development. He feels we will see an increase of population in the area, due to so many people working from home and wanting to move out of the larger cities.

Kurt Danison informed our local Economic Alliance has small business grants available. The City of Omak with council approval will donate 75K to local businesses in the CARES ACT funding to the Economic Alliance to continue and expand the grant program for local businesses.

Tyler Wells, Building Official stated the City is getting busier with Building Permits. He said Meadow Point Development should be breaking ground in August.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

SIGNED:

Sheila Harrison, Chaii

Amber Scott, Deputy Clerk