

Oroville Planning Commission
Wednesday, January 2, 2013

Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm by Chairman Steve Shimmel.

Present: Commissioners Judy Dunston, Marc Egerton, Suzi Seger and Steve Shimmel.

Absent: Luis Perez.

Staff present: Chris Branch and JoAnn Denney.

Approval of the minutes from the December 5th regular meeting. Motion by Marc Egerton to approve the minutes as written, second by Judy Dunston; motion carried.

Public comment period / Planning Commission inquiries / Staff updates. No public in attendance.

Steve questioned the status of the Shoreline Master Program. Chris stated that we are waiting on the County to complete their SMP so that the City and County will be consistent; Chris stated that is also the status of the Critical Areas Ordinance.

Steve questioned whether or not the City needs to update the Comprehensive Plan. Chris stated that an update is needed, however, it is not being worked on at this time. Chris discussed Emergency Management, Mission Statement and additional elements to the Comprehensive Plan.

Marc questioned if a work plan could be created by Chris for the Commission. Chris stated that he will prepare one.

Marc stated that community involvement is very important in the airport zoning issue.

Steve questioned if the commission should discuss allowing residential units on the ground floor in commercial districts. Discussion. Commission felt that residential units could be allowed upstairs with commercial downstairs.

Chris stated that the height issue could be revisited now that the City has a ladder fire truck. Further discussion on residential use in, and adjacent to, commercial and industrial zones.

Steve questioned whether or not the commission should work on a visioning process; possible questionnaire to get public input. Discussed that questionnaires have been used in the past and the commission could review those. Discussed importance of really knowing what you want to ask. Discussion on importance of public involvement and difficulty of getting public involvement.

Discussion on deadlines for the Shoreline Master Program and Critical Areas.

Airport Zoning Review Update given by Chris. Discussion on adoption process clarification; recommendations have been put on hold until a later date. Chris shared an e-mail received from Perry Huston apologizing for confusion on recommendation request deadline letter that was sent to the Mayors stating that their community had missed the deadline; e-mail included the new plan of action for the Airport Zoning. E-mail also included notice that a public hearing will be held January 28th on the Critical

Areas Ordinance. Airport Zoning won't be addressed until possibly March or April; new drafts will be mailed out for recommendations. Discussion on community involvement in the Airport Zoning. New draft will be forwarded to the commissioners just as soon as it is received by Chris. Discussion on safety and compatibility issues; also discussed private property rights. Chris would like to see Carter Timmermann attend the workshop. Density discussion.

Judy questioned the history on the development of the Airport; background information is needed.

Discussion on economic benefits of airports.

Further discussion on density, urban growth area and the affect the water and sewer in the East Lake area has on increasing development. Discussion on balance between development and protection of the airport.

County Critical Areas Ordinance draft to be forwarded to the Planning Commissioners; reminder that the County will hold a public hearing on January 28th.

As there being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm

Next meeting to be held Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 4:30 pm.