

Oroville Planning Commission  
Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm by Chairman Marc Egerton.

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

Absent: Judy Dunston and Luis Perez.

Staff present: Chris Branch and JoAnn Denney.

Approval of the minutes from the February 15<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. Motion by Suzi Seger to approve the minutes as written, second by Steve Shimmel; motion carried.

Public comment period / Planning Commission inquiries / Staff updates.

- × Chris stated that Judy was unable to attend the Land Use Boot Camp on February 29<sup>th</sup> due to the weather.
- × Marc commented on the amount of water that had run down Tonasket Creek on Monday; volume was so great that it blew out the bank and the County had to do some backhoe work to re-route the water back to the creek. During the same time, Marc checked the Nine Mile Creek and it barely had a trickle of water running down it.
- × Chris updated the Commission on the Airport Technical Advisory Meeting that he attended on February 29<sup>th</sup>. County is working on a draft plan that they hope to have out in 3 months; next meeting will be held on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am.
- × Critical Areas Ordinance public hearing will be held during the March 21<sup>st</sup> Planning Commission meeting; hearing scheduled to begin at 5:00 pm. Chris has not received any agency comments on the proposal. Marc wanted to make sure that Chris will be forwarding him the hearing protocol sheet; Chris will prepare for Marc. Discussion on Hydraulic permits.
- × Marc commented on the water break on the East Lake main line and the quick response from the City; break occurred during the long weekend in February and the crew had it fixed very quickly.

Comp Plan Update; review of draft. Discussed the sections from the previous plan that address land use for existing residential, commercial and industrial uses. Discussion on designations. Review of Land Use Summary section. Vision Statement discussion. Discussed need for public involvement for the vision of Oroville. Chris had worked on a proposed vision statement; review. Suzi questioned if a page could be added to the City's web-site encouraging the public to comment on their vision of Oroville. Discussion.

Chris mentioned the Municipal Research Services Center of Washington (MRSC) article written by Joe Tovar; he encouraged the Planning Commission to read the article regarding Comprehensive Planning.

Discussed differences between Comp Plan and Zoning Ordinance. Review of Goals and Objectives from the Comp Plan.

Discussion on business and economic concerns for local communities. Chris mentioned the SWOT (Strengths / Weaknesses / Opportunities / Threats) surveys that have been conducted in the past. Discussed the importance of pedestrian traffic; need to encourage walking trails.

Brief discussion on the Land Use Designation Map; Chris would like to get it sent to the County to help them with guidance for their plan.

Review of Objectives for Industrial Uses in the Comp Plan. Discussion on compatibility of uses (Industrial, Residential, etc.).

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

Next meeting to be held Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 4:30 pm.