

Oroville Planning Commission  
Wednesday, September 5, 2012

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

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

Absent: Luis Perez and Steve Shimmel.

Staff present: Chris Branch and JoAnn Denney.

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

Public comment period / Planning Commission inquiries / Staff updates.

Brief review of the draft Comp Plan Land Use Map.

Review of Priority Habitat & Species (PHS) map from the Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife web-site. Chris is gathering info from the map to help with his reporting for the Critical Areas Ordinance. Discussion on species located around Oroville.

Airport Zoning report; table until the next meeting.

Further review of the draft Comp Plan Land Use Map. Review of draft zones. Discussed that definitions will be worked on after the map is completed.

Marc questioned the status of the water for the new Border Patrol building. Chris gave an update; final issues are being worked out and progress is being made.

Chris discussed water rights. City has had an application into the Department of Ecology since the mid-80's. City has purchased seasonal rights and Turtle Bay rights. Discussed expansion of water rights. Consultant has been hired who previously worked for the DOE and options were given to the City. Discussed that the City could abandon the Turtle Bay water right to get the application from the 80's approved; has to do with serving special public purposes. Discussed the agencies involved. Discussion on water levels of the Similkameen and Okanogan Rivers and how they affect the aquifer recharge.

Critical Areas Ordinance discussion. Recommendation needed for the City Council. Chris is still working on the report; table until the next meeting.

Further discussion on the Priority Habitat & Species map and associated data.

Marc would like to discuss the East Lake Sewer. Update given by Chris on the status of the transfer of management to the City. Issues need to be worked out before transfer officially happens. County working on a resolution for the transfer; the City has made a few changes to the draft and sent it back to the County for consideration.

As there being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm

Next meeting to be held Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at 4:30 pm.