



Minutes

DESCHUTES COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
DESCHUTES SERVICES CENTER
1300 NW WALL STREET, BEND, OREGON, 97703
FEBRUARY 24, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.

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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Chair Kieras via Zoom. Commissioners present via Zoom: Susan Altman, Toni Williams, Steve Swisher, Dale Crawford. Staff present in person: Peter Gutowsky, Community Development Director; Will Groves, Planning Manager; Tarik Rawlings, Associate Planner; Kyle Collins, Associate Planner; Peter Russell, Senior Transportation Planner.

II. Approval of Minutes – January 13, 2022 and February 10, 2022

- Commissioner Swisher motioned for approval of the minutes. Commissioner Crawford seconded the motion.
- Unanimous vote to approve minutes.

III. Public Comment

None

IV. Action Items

1. Water Resource Discussion Panel #1, Kyle Collins, Associate Planner

Kyle Collins opened the discussion and introduced the panel members which included Dr. Steven Gingrich, US Geologic Survey; Bridget Moran, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service; and Kyle Gorman, Oregon Water Resourced Dept.

2. Dark Skies Outdoor Lighting Update and Next Steps, Tarik Rawlings, Associate Planner

Tarik Rawlings introduced options for discussion and next steps.

Commissioner Crawford moved to request the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) to update the ordinances and develop educational outreach plan. Commissioner Altman seconded. Unanimous vote in favor.

3. Update on Tumalo Community Plan; TGM Grant for Bike/Ped/Transit in Tumalo; rural trails in Sisters Country, Peter Russell, Senior Transportation Planner

Peter Russell discussed several planning efforts and their various levels of completeness which will affect Tumalo including the Comprehensive Plan, the Transportation System Plan, the Tumalo Community Plan (TCP), and the TCP bike/ped/transit section. Next steps are to identify Planning Commissioners and Board of County Commissioners interested in participating in upcoming projects and meetings related to the bike/ped/transit portions of the Tumalo community.

V. PLANNING COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

- Peter Gutowsky, Community Development Director, shared that he and Chair Kieras are interviewing 6 candidates on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, for the open Planning Commission position. Commissioners Chang and Adair will be participating. Deschutes County will issue press release regarding recruitment for Commissioner Swisher's upcoming vacancy.
- Two legislative updates: Senate Bill 1533 relates to wildfire mitigation and will address broken links related to rural accessory dwellings. House Bill 4118 discusses an ability to expedite amendments for work place housing. Bill died and is no longer active.
- March 10, 2022 Planning Commission work session for CDD draft work plan and annual accomplishments. Subsequent public hearing is scheduled for March 24, 2022. Deliberations and recommendations before the BOCC on April 14, 2022.
- BOCC is interested in joint work session with Planning Commission in June or July.
- Consideration about returning to in-person meetings, providing one week advanced notice
- William Groves, Planning Manager, gave update on the Deschutes County Comprehensive Plan; interviews underway to select consultant.

- Commissioner Swisher commended the quality of the panel presentation and expressed appreciation for staff and their efforts. Commissioner Swisher plans to appear in-person for future Planning Commission meetings.
- Commissioner Williams learned a great deal from the presentation.

VI. VI. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Brooke Clark, Administrative Assistant

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