



Minutes

DESCHUTES COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
DESCHUTES SERVICES CENTER
1300 NW WALL STREET, BEND, OREGON, 97703
DECEMBER 8TH, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.

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I. Call to Order

Chairperson Jessica Kieras called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm. Planning Commissioners present in-person: Dale Crawford, and Nathan Hovekamp. Present via Zoom: Susan Altman, Maggie Kirby, Toni Williams, and Matt Cyrus.

Staff present: Peter Gutowsky – Community Development Director, Will Groves – Planning Manager, Nicole Mardell, Senior Planner.

II. Public Comment

- None

III. Action Items

- 1. Preparation for Public Hearing: Amateur (HAM) Radio Facility Text Amendments - (Nicole Mardell, Senior Planner)**
 - Nicole shared the proposed amendments regarding amateur radio facilities in Deschutes County, including clean-up of code language and organization and the addition of two tiers of regulation based on height; facilities under 70ft and facilities between 70-200ft.
- 2. Deschutes 2040 Meeting #4 – Initial Policy Review Part Two (Nicole Mardell, Senior Planner, Matt Hastie, MIG Consultant)**
 - Nicole shared the county secured a \$5,000 grant from the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) to use for virtual community engagement activities associated with the plan update.
 - Matt Hastie reviewed the proposed vision statement for the Comprehensive Plan and the second batch of goals and policies for initial review by the Planning Commission. The topics included forest lands, natural resources, and natural hazards.

- Planning commissioners discussed goals and language changes related to these policy updates and provided comments to staff.

Public Testimony

- Jack Farley, Tumalo. OR. Shared concerns around water scarcity in the region.

IV. Planning Commission and Staff Comments

- Will Groves shared staff will be visiting with the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) regarding the prioritization of projects in the Deschutes County Work Plan.
- Peter Gutowsky reviewed the agenda items for the January 2023 Planning Commission Meetings.
- Peter will be before the BOCC on January 21st 2023 regarding greater representation for the Tumalo community in the Planning Commission.
- Commissioner Hovekamp asked for clarification on the Tumalo boundary.
- Chair Kieras sought clarification on the potential amendment and requested feedback from fellow commissioners about having an ex-officio member.
- Commissioner Altman shared her term is up on the water conservation district.
- Commissioner Williams shared appreciation for the valuable work of fellow commissioners.
- Commissioner Kirby wished staff a happy holiday.
- Commissioner Hovekamp thanked staff for their presentation and fellow commissioners for their discussion.
- Commissioner thanked fellow commissioners for their hard work.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brooke Clark

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