

#### **Minutes**

# DESCHUTES COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION DESCHUTES SERVICES CENTER 1300 NW WALL STREET, BEND, OREGON, 97703 MARCH 10TH, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

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# I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Chair Kieras in-person. Commissioners present in-person: Susan Altman, Steve Swisher, Dale Crawford, Nathan Hovekamp. Commissioners present via Zoom: Toni Williams. Staff present in person: Peter Gutowsky, Community Development Director; Will Groves, Planning Manager.

Introduction of Commissioner Nathan Hovekamp by Chair Kieras.

# **II.** Public Comment

None

### III. Action Items

- Peter Gutowsky presented the draft 2022-23 Planning Division Work Plan for review and discussion.
- The public hearing to solicit public input will be held on Thursday, March 24, 2022.
- Planning Commission to rank recommendations on April 14, 2022.
- The draft Work Plan is publically available at https://www.deschutes.org/cd/page/work-plan-annual-report

# IV. PLANNING COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Peter Gutowsky:

- Board of County Commissioners is interested in getting together with the Planning Commission in June. Date to be determined.
- There is an active recruitment for a Sisters area commission position to fill Commission Swisher's position at the end of June 2022. That recruitment closes on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.
- Hard copies of materials can be provided if commissioners would like them for inperson meetings.
- If there is a project commissioners are interested in, there is an opportunity to act as an ambassador at project meetings if desired.
   William Groves:
- Peter Russell is hoping that one or more commissioners would volunteer as representative for stakeholder meetings for the Tumalo Community Bike/Ped Transit program and Sisters Trails System. Commissioner Altman volunteered for the Tumalo Community project and Commissioner Swisher will volunteer until he terms out in June for the Sisters Trail System.
- Chair Kieras commented that she appreciated that there were Dark Skies lighting recommendations in the Community Development building when she visited last week.
- Commissioner Swisher remarked that the Sisters Astronomy and Science Club put together a presentation for the Sisters City Council. They used panelist information in their presentation and it was a very positive experience regarding Dark Skies and local advocacy.
- Peter Gutowsky acknowledged that Chair Kieras was appointed to a second four year term.

# V. VI. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Brooke Clark, Administrative Assistant

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