



Minutes

DESCHUTES COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
DESCHUTES SERVICES CENTER
1300 NW WALL STREET, BEND, OREGON, 97703
APRIL 27TH, 2023 – 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: Chair Jessica Kieras, Dale Crawford, Matt Cyrus, Toni Williams, Susan Altman and Vice-Chair Nathan Hovekamp. Present via Zoom: Maggie Kirby.

Staff present: Peter Gutowsky – Community Development Director, Tanya Saltzman, Senior Planner.

II. Approval of Minutes – March 30th, 2023

Commissioner Altman motioned moved to approve minutes as written. Commission Williams seconded. Vote: Unanimous vote to approve.

III. Public Comment

- Suzie Hart- Provided thoughts on public notices and the need for the county to utilize a publication with greater readership than the Bend Bulletin.

IV. Action Items

1. **Continued Public Hearing: Mule Deer Inventory Update Amendments (Tanya Saltzman, Senior Planner)**
 - Stephanie Marshall, Legal counsel for Deschutes County, provided background information on what constitutes a conflict of interest.
 - Commissioners denied any conflicts of interests with this topic.
 - Tanya provided a brief overview of the proposed regulations.
 - Corey Heath from Oregon Department of Fish & Wild Life addressed many of the questions raised by the public and commissioners.

Public Comment

- Elise Wolf, Sisters, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendment.
- Abi Stockcamp. Bend, Or – Provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendment.
- Rynda Clark, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Toby Bayard – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Elie Gaines, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Alex Hardison, Redmond, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Jennie Sharp, Sisters, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Elinor Wilson, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Serena Gordon, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Molly Honea, Think Wild – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Quinn Keever – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Nunzie Gould, Bend, Or - Provided testimony on land use process.
- Eva Eagle – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Laura Craska – Provided testimony representing two clients in opposition the proposed amendments.
- Michael O’Casey – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Tyler Neese, Central Oregon Assoc. of Realtors – Provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Bruce Bowen, Sisters, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Michel Bayard – Provided Testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Ian Isaacson, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Susan Prince, Sisters, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Erin – Provided testimony in opposition of the proposed amendments.
- Dorrine Tye – Proposed testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Lex Zuber – Provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Harry Collard- Provided testimony in opposition of the proposed amendments.
- Chris Duel, Tumalo Irrigation District – Provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Douglas Stoa, Bend, OR – VP of Oregon Hunter’s Assoc. provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Bob Buttonbone – Provided testimony in opposition of the proposed amendments.
- Christine Larson, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Rex Sparks, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in opposition of the proposed amendments.
- Joe Craig, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Keith Cyrus, Sisters, Or – Provided testimony in opposition the proposed amendments.
- Ben Gordon – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Mark Stockamp – Provided testimony in opposition to the proposed amendments.
- Ed Putnam, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Julie Howland, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Mark Labhart, Sisters, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- John Fisher, Bend, Or – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.

- Dena Fiddler, Tri County Cattlewomen – Provided testimony in opposition the proposed amendments.
- Courtney Carlson, Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Elizabeth Burke – Provided testimony in support of the proposed amendments.
- Ike Mckenzie – Provided testimony in opposition the proposed amendments.
- Suzie Hart, Tumalo, Or – Shared concerns on proposed amendments.

Motion: Commissioner Crawford moved to close the oral hearing and leave the written record open until May 4th and deliberate on May 11th. Commissioner Hovekamp seconded. Friendly amendment: Close Written record May 1st. Vote: Unanimous vote to approve.

2. Draft Planning Division Work Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 / Deliberations

Motion:

- Commissioner Crawford moves to rescind previous motion to deliberate the topic this evening. Commissioner Hovekamp seconded. Vote: unanimous vote to approve.
- Commissioner Williams moved to move the Work Plan deliberations to May 11th. Commissioner Cyrus seconded. Vote: Unanimous vote to approve.

V. Planning Commission and Staff Comments

- Peter shared that on Wednesday the BOCC appointed Kelsey Carson to the Tumalo area on the Planning Commission that is effective July 1st, filling the vacancy left by Commissioner Crawford at the end of June.
- Commissioner Crawford thanked everyone for their participation.
- Commissioner Altman thanked participants, staff and commissioners. Commissioner Hovekamp reiterated Commissioner Altman’s sentiments.
- Commissioner Crawford shared that he missed the trips into the community for engagement.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brooke Clark

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