



TOWN OF PARADISE

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PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

March 31, 2014
6:00 PM

CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 p.m.

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PRESENT AT ROLE CALL: James Clarkson, Stephanie Neumann, Daniel Wentland and Michael Zuccolillo, Chairman.

1. PUBLIC HEARING

- 1a. Town of Paradise Housing Element Update – The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to review and solicit public comment on a public draft of the Town of Paradise General Plan Housing Element update.**

Community Development Director Craig Baker reported that the purpose of the hearing is to provide information on the Housing Element update process, review state law requirements and key issues involved in the update and accept input from various stakeholders and the general public. The updated Housing Element is intended to address the housing needs of the Town of Paradise from 2014 to 2022. The State of California requires periodic updates of Housing Elements to address the necessary conditions for developing and preserving an adequate supply of housing for all income categories.

The draft Housing Element update sets forth the Town's strategies for addressing housing opportunities for all income levels and provides a framework for decision-making relative to housing development within the Town. Following Planning Commission review and approval, the draft Housing Element will be submitted to the California Housing and Community Development (HCD) for a 60-day review period. The next step is publication of a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for a 30-day review that will be brought to the Planning Commission for review and forwarding to the Town Council along with the draft Housing Element.

Mr. Baker introduced Mike Martin of Pacific Municipal Consulting, the consultant firm contracted by the Town to assist in the preparation of the Housing Element update and associated environmental document. Mr. Martin displayed a Power Point presentation that explained what a Housing Element is, discussed the 2014-2022 Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) process and the Paradise RHNA Allocation, key updates included in the Housing Element and the schedule for approval of the Housing Element.

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Commissioner Clarkson asked if there were any areas where compliance was uncertain. Mr. Martin informed the Planning Commission that there were no areas of concern, as the Town's zoning is very up-to-date, it was easy to access information relating to the homeless population, and there is plenty of vacant land in town.

Commissioner Zuccolillo opened the public hearing at 6:15 p.m. There were no speakers and the hearing was closed at 6:15 p.m.

MOTION by Wentland, seconded by Clarkson, accepted the draft Housing Element as presented. Roll call vote was unanimous.

2. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Zuccolillo adjourned the Planning Commission meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Date Approved: May 20, 2014

By: _____/s/_____
Michael Zuccolillo, Chair

_____/s/_____
Joanna Gutierrez, CMC, Town Clerk