

**TOWN OF MORRISON
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

Call to Order. Chairperson Jamee Chambers called the Planning Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call. Chairperson Jamee Chambers Commissioners, Stacy Feehery, Petra Bute, Sharolyn Anderson, Maja Stefansdottir and Alternate Commissioner Ambria Shorb were present. Alternate Commissioner Shari Raymond was absent. A quorum was established.

Staff Present. Carrie McCool (Town Planner) and Ariana Neverdahl (Town Clerk).

Amendments to the Agenda. None.

Public to Address the Planning Commission. None.

Presentations and Hearings. None.

General Business.

Comprehensive Plan Update. Town Planner McCool reviewed the changes made to the Comprehensive Plan and the draft introduction for Recreation and Tourism to the Planning Commission.

Chairperson Chambers stated the Hogback should be the Dakota Hogback throughout the Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Stefansdottir suggested removing stunning and immense from the introduction paragraph.

Commissioner Stefansdottir asked if astrological was the correct terminology. Commissioner Anderson suggested replacing the term astrological with night sky resources.

Commissioner Anderson suggested adding the phrase “such as” to the first paragraph in the introduction. Commissioner Anderson stated the phrase is more inclusive.

Chairperson Chambers suggested adding “Tesoro Cultural Center” to the sidebar titled day tripper events and activities.

Commissioner Stefansdottir suggested removing the third sentence from the second paragraph of the introduction. The consensus of the Commission was to remove the sentence from the introduction paragraph.

Commissioner Anderson asked for clarification on the terms compile and inventory in Action RT 1.1. Commissioner Anderson stated the action item lists two different concepts; natural assets and events held in built assets. Town Planner McCool stated the purpose of Action RT 1.1 was to gather a list of natural and built assets where events and attractions can be held. Town Planner McCool stated the list would be included on the website to help businesses and committees coordinate events and attractions.

Town Planner McCool suggested replacing the word “inventory” with “matrix” in Action RT 1.1. Chairperson Chambers suggested revising Action RT 1.1 to say “Develop a matrix of.”

Commissioner Feehery suggested changing the phrase habit-changing in Action RT 1.6 to recurring events.

Commissioner Bute suggested replacing astronomy tours with dark sky events in Action RT 2.4.

Commissioner Bute suggested that local businesses advertise their events on the town's website. Town Planner McCool suggested adding the events to the matrix list.

Commissioner Feehery suggested adding sidewalks to Action RT 4.3 to help improve pedestrian safety. Commissioner Feehery also suggested creating an additional action item for bicyclists' safety.

Commissioner Stefansdottir asked about the easement on the west lawn of the Nursing Home Property in Action RT 4.7. Chairperson Chambers stated the Town could explore a public easement with the nursing home since the Town uses the lawn for various events. Town Planner McCool suggested replacing the word "easement" with agreement" in Action RT 4.6.

Commissioner Bute suggested the Town look into allowing short-term rentals. Town Planner McCool stated the Planning Commission recommended this to the Town Board in the past. The Town Board voted against allowing short-term rentals.

Approval of Minutes.

Chairperson Chambers stated in the November 8, 2022 minutes the Commission discussed the idea of exploring a public easement agreement for the west lawn of the nursing home not the purchase of the lawn.

Commissioner Anderson stated there was a typo in the minutes from November 22, 2022, it should state 3000k CCT (correlated color temperature) not 30K CCT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shorb to approve the November 8, 2022 and the November 22, 2022 Planning Commission Minutes with the approved changes from the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stefansdottir. All members present voted aye. The motion carried.

Staff Reports.

Town Manager. None.

Town Planner. Town Planner McCool provided the Commission with an update on the Nursing Home lighting.

Adjournment. Chairperson Chambers adjourned the meeting at 7:09pm.

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James AuChambers
James Chambers, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Aviana Neverdahl
Aviana Neverdahl, Town Clerk