

**TOWN OF MORRISON
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 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, Sharolyn Anderson, Maja Stefansdottir and Alternate Commissioner Shari Raymond were present. Commissioner Petra Bute and Alternate Commissioner Ambria Shorb were absent. A quorum was established.

Staff Present. Kara Winters (Town Manager) 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 reported the changes to the Recreation and Tourism section of the comprehensive plan.

Town Planner McCool reviewed the next sections of the Comprehensive Plan to be reviewed by the Planning Commission; Public Improvements, Water and Wastewater Resources, resources and Environment, and Public Safety. Town Planner McCool stated the Planning Commission has the opportunity to consolidate these elements into one resiliency and sustainability section to align with the Board of Trustees 2022 Board Goals.

Chairperson Chambers asked if there are terms other than “resiliency” and “sustainability” that could be used in the Comprehensive Plan. Town Planner McCool stated the terms are useful to inform the public that the Town is planning for resiliency and sustainability.

Commissioner Anderson suggested removing “growth” from PI Goal 1 and stated based on the community survey results the Town does not support future growth. Town Planner McCool stated the goal is to grow within the Town. Town Manager Winters stated the Public Improvement section of the comprehensive plan was to maintain and update the Town’s current infrastructure.

Chairperson Chambers suggested the Resiliency and Sustainability chapter of the Comprehensive Plan should have four subchapters; Public Improvements, Water and Wastewater Resources, Resources and Environment and Public safety.

Town Planner McCool informed the Planning Commission the goal for the meeting was to receive feedback on the goals and policies. The Commission will review the action items at a later meeting.

Town Manager Winters suggested removing “appropriate” from Policy PI 2 and removing Policy PI 3.

Commissioner Anderson asked about the Water and Wastewater Resources section and stated the Planning Commission does not know the water system capacity or the obligations of the Town’s water rights. Town Planner McCool stated the town water engineer can attend the water and waste water

meeting to assist the Planning Commission with their questions or submit a narrative for the Planning Commission to review.

Commissioner Feehery suggested the Comprehensive Plan include a list that summarizes the Town’s water rights. Town Planner McCool stated the Comprehensive Plan can include an appendix to show the Town’s water rights. Town staff will bring an overview of the water rights to the next meeting.

Town Manager Winters suggested that Policy WWR2 should be an action item rather than a Policy.

Town Manager Winters suggested adding “before” to PS Goal 1 for the public safety during Major events. Commissioner Feehery suggested adding after as well.

Chairperson Chambers suggested creating a policy under public safety to relocate as many as practical Town facilities out of the floodplain.

Commissioner Anderson suggested the Town improve code enforcement to help ensure Policy WWR3 was being met. Town Planner McCool informed the Commission that all businesses are required to meet the Town’s EQR schedule and Town Staff does inspect the businesses prior to opening for compliance.

Commissioner Anderson asked why Policy WWR 4 only mentions one business. Town Manager Winters informed the Commission that the Town has an IGA with Lakewood regarding the Rooney Valley and it allows the Town to serve Bandimere water and sewer without Lakewood’s consent.

Commissioner Anderson stated the Planning Commission needs to know the full picture of the Town to accurately set goals and policies for the Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Feehery stated it is important for the Planning Commission to know the historical context related to the Comprehensive Plan.

Town Manager Winters suggested editing Policy WWR 4 to state adjoining properties to the Town East of the Hogback.

Approval of Minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stefansdottir to approve the January 10, 2023 Planning Commission Minutes The motion was seconded by Commissioner Feehery. All members present voted aye. The motion carried.

Staff Reports.

Town Manager. Commissioner Feehery asked about the Crosswalk being moved on Highway 8. Commissioner Feehery also asked if there were other plans to increase pedestrian safety such as sidewalk bulb-outs. Town Manager Winters stated CDOT moved the crosswalk on Highway 8, it is a shorter distance for pedestrians to cross. Town Manager Winters stated the Board voted against adding bulb-outs along Highway 8. Commissioner Feehery asked what the next best scenario is for pedestrian safety. Town Manager Winters suggested writing a letter to the Board asking for specific improvements for pedestrian safety.

Commissioner Anderson asked for an update on the water at the Post Office. Town Manager Winters informed the Commission that the Town Staff is currently running tests to find the source of the leak.

Town Planner. Commissioner Stefansdottir asked about the project at 101-109 Bear Creek Avenue. Town Planner McCool informed the Planning Commission that the Town has received a redevelopment application to redevelop the property. The redevelopment will keep the current facade of the building.

Commissioner Stefansdottir asked about the HVAC Screening at 316 Bear Creek Avenue. Town Manager Winters stated the Town has been working on getting the HVAC screened for the past five years. The case went to the municipal court and the Judge ruled in favor of the Town and required the property owner to screen the rooftop HVAC equipment.

Commissioner Stefansdottir asked about the nuisance violations at 161 Spring Street. Town Manager Winters stated the arraignment hearing has been continued to March 8, 2023.

Adjournment. Chairperson Chambers adjourned the meeting at 7:16pm.

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ATTEST:

Jamee Ann Chambers
Jamee Chambers, Chairperson

Ariana Neverdahl
Ariana Neverdahl, Town Clerk