

City of Lake Forest Park - Planning Commission
Draft Regular Meeting Notes: November 3, 2015
17425 Ballinger Way NE—Council Chambers

Planning Commissioners present: Chair Ray Holmdahl; Vice-chair Jon Lebo; Richard Saunders; Semra Riddle; Rocky Oliver; Jean Maixner; Connie Holloway; and Doug Gochanour

Staff and others present: Catherine Stanford, Deputy Mayor and Council Liaison to the Planning Commission; Steve Bennett, Planning Director; and Ande Flower, Assistant Planner; Mike Dee, Resident; Alexis Devine, Resident; Alex Brooke, Resident; Sugalwur Gedi, Resident.

Planning Commissioners absent: Joel Paisner

Call to order: 7:00 PM

Approval of Meeting Agenda: Cmr. Gochanour moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Cmr. Riddle and approved unanimously.

Approval of Meeting Notes:

June 9, 2015 Minor edits were suggested. Cmr. Gochanour moved to approve the minutes as amended.

The motion was seconded by Cmr. Riddle and approved unanimously.

July 7, 2015 Cmr. Gochanour moved to approve the meeting notes. The motion was seconded by Cmr. Riddle and approved unanimously.

Public Comment: Three local high school students enrolled in a civics class introduced themselves.

Old Business: Comprehensive Plan Update

Discussion of October 8 Joint Meeting with Council

Chair Holmdahl briefly described the meeting and shared that Council members had informed questions and would probably be adding stronger language with regard to transportation.

Discussion of October 12 Open House

Vice-Chair Lebo described activity that took place at the Open House. Cmr. Saunders reported hearing that attendees were impressed with Ms. Munkberg's presentation (consultant from 3SquareBlocks).

Status update on City Council review process

Mr. Bennett described the upcoming review calendar for Council with their goal to approve the Comp Plan Update by the end of 2015. Commissioners asked to receive information about the changes requested by the Department of Commerce once they are received. Mr. Bennett offered to e-mail the comments to Commissioners.

New Business: Future Agenda Items

Carrie Lewith Zoning Code Amendment Proposal

Mr. Bennett presented draft edits to the currently proposed amendments. Commissioners asked for examples of regulations in other cities that may relate to this proposal. It was decided that the first step is to have consensus in answering broad questions about goals for this proposal and how this idea may relate to other goals in the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Bennett offered to invite Commission Liaison Stanford to a future meeting.

Potential Future Agenda Items

Mr. Bennett stated that future projects for the Commission would include updating tree, subdivision, and sensitive areas regulations. Prior to these three, an update of the code enforcement regulations will be brought to the Council for review.

Adjournment: 8:30

Ray Holmdahl, Chair