

**City of Lake Forest Park  
Planning Commission  
Special Meeting Summary  
17425 Ballinger Way NE—Forest Room  
Date: January 21, 2014**

**Commissioners present:** Chair Ray Holmdahl; Connie Holloway; George Piano; Joel Paisner; Jon Lebo; and Richard Saunders

## **Commissioners absent: Chuck Paulsen and Chuff Barden**

**Staff and others present:** Steve Bennett, Planning Director; Lloyd Skinner, former Planning Commission Chair; and Councilmember Catherine Stanford

**Call to order:** Chair Holmdahl called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

**Approval of Meeting Agenda:** Chair Holmdahl asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Cmr. Piano moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Cmr. Lebo and passed unanimously.

### **Approval of meeting minutes: none**

### **Public Comment: none**

**Presentations:** Chair Holmdahl introduced Lloyd Skinner, planning consultant and former chair of the Planning Commission.

Mr. Skinner discussed the process that the Planning Commission went through during the comprehensive plan update that was adopted in 2005. He discussed the fact that the Commission needed extra meetings and to form subcommittees. He reviewed the requirements of GMA for comprehensive plans and characterized the three legs of the stool of sustainability as social (well-being), economic (justice), and environment.

Mr. Skinner went on to talk about how Growth Targets were a big issue during the previous of the update and Futurewise's pressure to establish a minimum density with in Lake Forest Park of at least four units per acre. He also mentioned how the proposed expansion of Town Center alternative met with very negative feedback from the public and that the Commission and staff did all of the 2005 update and it took four years.

Mr. Skinner responded to various questions from Commissioners. Chair Holmdahl and the rest of the Commission thanked Mr. Skinner for his presentation.

**Reports:** Cmr. Piano mention that he will be meeting with local merchants. Cmr. Saunders volunteered to organize a table for the Third Place Community Breakfast on February 13, 2014.

**Adjournment:** 8:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

Ray Holmdahl  
Ray Holmdahl, Chair