

CITY OF HAUSER, IDAHO

Location: Hauser City Hall, 11837 N. Hauser Lake Road, Hauser, Idaho 83854

JOINT WORKSHOP: CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING– February 15, 2011 – 4:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER - Cris Justus for the Planning Commission: Roll call: Codding, present; Curry, absent; S. Hatfield, present; Spuler, present; Howell, present.

Mayor Olita Johnston for the City: Roll call: Mallon, present; Hynes, absent; C. Hatfield, present; Lefebvre, present.

Howell announced that this is a Joint Workshop on the recently adopted Hauser Comprehensive Plan (January 26, 2011). This is to finalize any concerns or questions that the City Council may have before they adopt the Resolution which is scheduled for February 23, 2011. She said they have had a copy of the Plan since October and also have a copy of the map.

Questions/Answers:

- C. Hatfield stated the Plan is a great document and the Planning Commission did a great job.
- Mallon stated he had no questions and followed by saying he apologized for his actions at the last meeting. He said he misunderstood a portion of it. He said he reread the document and said it is very consistent and caught his own error, and that it is a good document, and far better than what he had done in 1993.
- Lefebvre had a question about the Avista Utilities recommendations and if they were adopted. Justus replied that they are not going to adopt all of them but Planning and Zoning members have a copy of those recommendations and they will be reviewed.
- Mayor Johnston stated she wanted to apologize to the Council for not knowing that in order to make the Plan effective that it had to be adopted by Resolution. She said she was sorry that she was not aware of that.

Howell said there were some cosmetic changes needed like changing the date from 2010 to 2011. She asked if Council was satisfied with photographs, the Dedication page and if there was anything in the document they feel was not reflective for the City. There are no substantial changes to review at this time. C. Hatfield said the photographs were great. Howell stated that she would update the Hauser City Council members adding Gary Mallon and Roger Lefebvre, and update the Planning Commission members as well.

Howell asked for questions on the map. C. Hatfield asked Howell to verify that the City of Hauser does not have property on the South side of Highway 53. Lefebvre asked if Hwy. 53 was a “division line.” Howell explained that if there were future annexations, the City would need to work out a couple of inter-agency agreements with Idaho Transportation Department and Burlington Northern Railroad. It is possible to do, she said, but agreements would need to be made. Otherwise, there were no questions voiced on the map. Howell made a few more

explanations regarding the map. She said that once the Resolution is passed on February 23, 2011, then the next step would be the implementation strategies. It is essentially a strategy plan of taking all of the goals and policies in the Comp Plan and giving them estimated project and implementation dates.

Justus said she would like direction from City Council for the Development Codes now.

C. Hatfield said she was excited to see this whole process mesh. Justus said important factor in building this Plan is to make it really easy for everyone to read and understand and for Council to actually use the document which is the intention and plan for the Development Code.

Howell stated that the Planning Commission has begun working on the format of the Development Code and explained details like what do you want to see first; do you want all the definitions in one place or interspersed throughout the document. C. Hatfield said she would like see both (use the words throughout and reference them to a certain page containing all the definitions.)

Attorney Art Macomber arrived, and Howell brought him up to speed. Howell stated that the Resolution will be on February 23, 2011 agenda for passage and signing, and Public Testimony is closed. This Comprehensive Plan is then used to develop regulations. Justus said there are already good rules in place that do not need to be changed, but others will be adjusted accordingly.

Lefebvre said that the map Mallon brought it last week is a good map, but asked about parts of green space on the West side of Hauser that are not adjacent to the Lake but set off a bit. In between it shows a large government lot – what is that government lot about and why can't it be incorporated into Planning. He went to the map and pointed. Howell stated that property is 30 acres and is owned by the City of Hauser. She said anything that is green is in the City of Hauser and anything outside of that is white. Discussion followed. He said he would like to see that “government lot” annexed into the City and developed into a large park. More discussion followed. Howell stated that technically it is privately own and would need to voluntarily come into the corporate limits and does not meet the criteria for a forced annexation. She said the City does need to have an annexation plan.

C. Hatfield moved to adjourn. All were in favor. The Joint Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Donna Ray, City Clerk

Olita Johnston, Mayor