

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Planning Commission was called to order at 6:01 PM on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Council Chambers of City Hall, Wasilla, Alaska by Jessica Dean, Chair.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Eric Bushnell, Seat A
Darrell Breese, Seat B (via teleconference)
Jessica Dean, Seat C
Simon Brown, Seat D

Commissioners absent and excused:

Brian Mayer, Seat E

Staff in attendance were:

Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
Tina Crawford, City Planner
Leslie Need, City Attorney (via teleconference)
Ashley Loyer, Finance Clerk II

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. Commissioner Bushnell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented.

V. REPORTS

A. City Deputy Administrator

Ms. Carden reported that the number of business licenses continues to grow and that there were 26 new or renewing licenses in the month of February. She also stated that Fly Trampoline Park and Michaels will be moving into the old Sports Authority space and that the 33 acres by Sportsman's Warehouse is under contract and is proposed to be a mixed-use development. Other noted items included the widening of Knik-Goose Bay Road and an update on SB76.

B. City Public Works Director

Mr. Giddings provided an update on the possibility of a commuter train between the Wasilla and Anchorage and that 2019 is the goal.

C. City Attorney

No report given.

D. City Planner

Ms. Crawford provided an update on the status of the Brownfields planning study focusing around the Train Depot and downtown.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (*Three minutes per person for items not on agenda*)

No one stepped forward.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of February 13, 2018, regular meeting

GENERAL CONSENT: Minutes were approved as presented.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS (*five minutes per person*)

A. Public Hearing

1. **Resolution Serial No. 18-02:** Recommending that the City Council update the 2012 City of Wasilla Hazard Mitigation Plan.

a. City Staff/LeMay Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

Ms. Crawford provided a brief summary and LeMay Engineering & Consulting, Inc provided a presentation of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Patrick LeMay and Mr. John Farr provided an overview and presentation of the importance of a Hazard Mitigation Plan.

b. Private Person supporting or opposing the proposal.

Chair Dean opened the public comment portion of the public hearing at 6:32 pm.

With no one else stepping forward, Chair Dean closed the public hearing at 6:33 pm.

MOTION: Commissioner Bushnell moved to adopt Resolution Serial #18-02, as presented.

VOTE: The motion to approve Resolution Serial #18-02 as presented, passed unanimously.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

No statements made regarding the following items.

A. Permit Information

B. Enforcement Log

C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission agenda

XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (*three minutes per person*)

No comments.

XIII. STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Carden stated there will be a public survey on the City's website this Friday seeking input regarding the commuter rail.

XIV. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Breese state that House Bill 301 should be reviewed in relation to Title 4.

Ms. Need is continuing to work on code cleanup with the Planning Department.

Commissioner Dean will be out of state for approximately six months beginning in June.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:39 PM.


JESSICA DEAN, Chair 5/8/18
Date

ATTEST:


TAHIRIH DESJARDIN, Planning Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla Planning Commission May 8, 2018.