



Minutes- **Approved**

City of Flagstaff

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

4:00 PM– Wednesday, September 9, 2015

City Hall, **Council Chambers**, 211 W. Aspen Avenue

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Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Planning and Zoning Commission and to the general public that, at this meeting, the Planning and Zoning Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice and discussion with the City's attorneys for legal advice on any item listed on the following agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Jackson called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Present:

Steve Jackson- Chairman

David Carpenter –Vice Chairman

Tina Pfeiffer

Alaxandra Pucciarelli

Absent:

Stephen Dorsett

John Stigmon

Excused

Paul W. Turner

CITY STAFF:

Mark Sawyers, Planning Manager

Sara Dechter, Comprehensive Planning Manager

Becky Cardiff, Recording Secretary

I. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(At this time, any member of the public may address the Commission on any subject within their jurisdiction that is not scheduled before the Commission on that day. Due to Open Meeting Laws, the Commission cannot discuss or act on items presented during this portion of the agenda. To address the Commission on an item that is on the agenda, please wait for the Chair to call for Public Comment at the time the item is heard.)

None

B. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1) 1) Regular meeting of August 26, 2015.

Motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting of August 26, 2015 as submitted **Moved by** Commissioner Pfeiffer **Seconded by** Commissioner Carpenter. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Jackson and Commissioners made the decision to delay Item II. Public Hearing until after Item III Worksession as posted in the agenda.

III. WORKSESSION

Discussion of proposed major amendment to the Flagstaff Regional Plan 2030 to update Map 25: Road Network Illustration to meet Arizona Revised Statutes and to clarify language related to corridors identified on the map in the Growth and Land Use Transportation chapters.

Ms. Dechter gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed major amendment to the Flagstaff Regional Plan 2030 update to Map 25.

Public Comment

Charlotte Walsh, resident, had questions on road widening. Ms. Dechter indicated there is no plan of road widening due to this amendment.

Commissioners discussed the proposed amendment.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

A. La Plaza Vieja Neighborhood Specific Plan

A request to make a recommendation of adoption for the La Plaza Vieja Neighborhood Specific Plan, on behalf of the City of Flagstaff, Planning & Development Services and to amend the Flagstaff Regional Plan 2030 to incorporate the Specific Plan by reference.

Ms. Dechter gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed La Plaza Vieja Neighborhood Specific Plan.

David Wessel, FMPO Manager, gave a PowerPoint presentation on traffic scenarios for the proposed specific plan.

Ms. Dechter continued her presentation.

Ms. Dechter and Mr. Wessel answered questions from Commissioners.

Motion to open the public hearing **Moved by** Commissioner Pfeiffer **Seconded by** Commissioner Pucciarelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Jesse Dominguez, president of La Plaza Vieja Neighborhood Association, indicated that the preferred scenario for the neighborhood is Map 14 and requested it be moved to Chapter 2 page 29. He also discussed that the neighborhood does not want more traffic in their neighborhood.

Clare McCracken, resident and business owner in the La Plaza Vieja neighborhood, read a letter from her attorney. Ms. McCracken further discussed her opposition to the transitional area proposed in the plan.

Michelle D'Andrea, City of Flagstaff Attorney, discussed the City of Flagstaff's position on the letter from Ms. McCracken's attorney.

Ms. Dechter answered questions from Commissioners about the transitional area.

Mr. Sawyers answered questions from Commissioners.

Kerry McCracken, business owner in the La Plaza Vieja neighborhood, doesn't feel the plan addresses the working poor and low income in the city which she feels is part of the neighborhood. Ms. McCracken also discussed that flooding issues weren't addressed properly.

The public hearing will be continued at the September 23, 2015 meeting to be held at the Flagstaff Aquaplex.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS TO/FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS

Mr. Sawyers gave Commissioners an updated list of proposed projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.