

City of Buckley

Planning Commission Minutes

October 6, 2014

Chairperson Helmer called meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following members were present: Harris, and Beatty. Wink and LaVergne were absent. Also in attendance was City Planner Thompson.

Harris moved to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2014 and September 22, 2014 commission meetings as presented. Beatty seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Day Care Regulations - Update

Thompson stated she has received some comments for the Public Hearing and will provide them to the Commission at the hearing at the next meeting. Thompson stated the staff report will be sent to the Commission this week. The public hearing will be October 20, 2014.

Marijuana discussion for distances between facilities

Thompson stated she has a map that the Commission requested based on the comments at the last meeting. She showed on the map the 1,000 foot requirements that the State requires; the current opened retail location, the proposed retail location and the proposed grow operation. The way the ordinance reads so far is that all of these businesses need to be 1,000 feet from one another. At the last meeting the discussion was that only a like business had to be 1,000 feet from another like business but not the other businesses, for example an retail business had to be 1,000 feet from another retail business but not a grow operation or processing operation. The retail is allowed in GC, CC, HC and NMU; the grow operation and processing is considered agricultural and is allowed in the P, LI, R-8000 and R-20,000. Harris asked what the City Council was suggesting. Thompson stated the City Council in its emergency ordinance states there has to be a 5,000 foot separation. Discussion ensued. The Commission understands the reasoning behind the Council's decision but feels that the 5,000 foot regulation is extremely excessive. Thompson asked if the Commission would like State Liquor Control Board to come and answer some questions with the growing and processing operations. Thompson would like the commission to further review the distances so we can get a better handle on that and then she will check to see if she can get someone from the State here to talk to the commission. Helmer would like to see on a map the separation radius for processing and growing versus separation radiuses for retail. We will continue to work on this as information is provided.

E-1, Land Use Element

She showed and discussed with the Commission the Land Use Map. We have an opportunity with this update to make a few changes to the map. There was a discussion about changing the land use and whether or not it would affect people's property and taxes. Thompson stated this is not the zoning this is the Comprehensive Plan and she can have the County Assessor come speak to the commission about this. Thompson stated for the Land Use Element she has added some more pictures, and went through what she has added with the commission. Thompson then went through all the sections of the Land Use Element she has completed and made changes and corrections as necessary.

E-5, Transportation Element

Helmer stated we will hold off on this until the next meeting, as people really haven't had a chance to review it in depth.

New/Old Business

Helmer asked how the Short Course on Planning went and if anyone attended.

The next meeting will be October 20, 2014 at 7:00 PM

Harris moved to adjourn the meeting. Beatty seconded the motion and the motion carried.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM.



Chuck Helmer, Chairperson