

City of Buckley

Planning Commission Minutes

February 24, 2014

Chairperson Helmer called meeting to order at 6:32 PM. The following members were present: Harris, Howse and Wink. Also in attendance was City Planner Thompson.

Helmer stated we will close our meeting when we have enough Council members here and we have finished our business so we may not end quite at 7:00 PM

Park Plan

Thompson stated we found one more little thing that needs to be done, so it is up to the Commission as to whether or not they want to send it on to the Council for review because we do not have the Park Impact fees incorporated into the Park Plan yet. Her assumptions were wrong, she thought we were working on the 2030 official population from the County but we have to figure out what the population is going to be in six years so she is still working on that. Discussion ensued as to how the population will be figured as well as how the impact fees will be figured. The impact fees are based on the projected projects and the population increase. Helmer asked how cast in concrete are we if we establish a number today, does that have to remain until the next time we revise the Comprehensive Plan. Thompson stated only until we revise the Park Plan which can be done as necessary depending on need. Helmer stated then it is opinion to keep them low and the rest of the commission agreed. Helmer brought up an issue about the park plan project prioritization. The one thing was the completion of the Foothills Trail, his question is should we really have this as the number one project when all we would be doing is black topping about 120 feet, because the rest of the area will be a construction zone when the bridge gets put in. So he doesn't know if we should be spending our money adequately by paving a small portion until the construction of the bridge is finalized. His suggestion would be to move this item below the Foothills Trail bridge crossing over the White River. Mayor Pat Johnson stated the City ended the trail going down to the river at that particular spot because we don't know where the bridge will go, so the trail is complete at this point. **Wink moved to eliminate Item A or incorporate it into Item H on the park priority list. The motion failed due to lack of a second.** Thompson stated Item A is more for a trail to the flat area by the river. Howse asked if that could be clarified more. Thompson stated she would do that. **Helmer moved to move the Park Element to the City Council for consideration with the understanding of the two changes, one being using 28% for impact fees and the other changing the wording**

under Item A under park improvements to clarify that it is the trail to the riverfront park on the lower cleared area. Wink seconded the motion and the motion carried.

New/Old Business

Helmer reminded everyone about the website bios. Helmer stated there will be an item added to the next agenda regarding clarification of daycares. At the next meeting we will discuss the Economic Development, Housing and Urban Design Elements.

Next Meetings

Our next meeting will be March 10, 2014 at 7:00

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

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.



Chuck Helmer, Chairperson