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"Building Partnerships – Building Communities"

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

August 23, 2010

THOSE PRESENT:

Alan Crankovich, Mark McClain, Paul Jewell (BOCC), Kirk Holmes, Doug D'Hondt, Jan Ollivier, Maria Fischer (DPW) Neil Caulkins (PROS), Dan Valoff, (CDS), Cathy Bambrick, (HEALTH)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Lindsey Ozbolt, Chad Bala, Wayne Nelson, Catherine Clerf, Allison Kimball, Anna Nelson (GordonDerr)

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

1) Possible dissolution in favor of review & recommendation by the Hearing examiner with final decision by the BOCC. 2) Procedures:

Anna Nelson of GordonDerr spoke about item #2: Procedures and changing the format of the decision document, informational only for the BOCC. Paul Jewell stated that he favors the Hearing Examiner over the Board of Adjustment, (BOA) with the final decision up to the BOCC. Mark agreed. Discussion followed on the challenges to the BOA. Dan noted that he acts as the Clerk of the Board for the BOA. Neil stated that he feels the adjustment to the process can be done outside of the comprehensive plan process. Anna asked that the BOCC also look at some timing questions in the process. Mark and Paul agreed to move this issue forward while Alan did not agree.

Board Direction:

Move process forward to change from BOA to Hearing Examiner.

TEANAWAY SOLAR RESERVE- DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT PUBLIC HEARING:

Anna noted this is the third amendment to the MOA and the Development Agreement. This will come to the BOCC on September 7th to set a public hearing for September 21st.

Board Direction:

No direction.

STATUS OF PLANNING OFFICIAL TASKS:

Anna stated that this is the last thing for her to present and updated the BOCC.

Board Direction:

No direction.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

APPROVED
9/17/2010

PROCESS UPDATE:

Jan passed out a process update sheet. The backlog of applications is separate from newer applications. Jan explained the status on several projects. A foreclosure notice in the newspaper for Swiftwater Ranch will require an inquiry.

Board Direction

No Direction.

WATER DISCUSSION:

Cathy Bambrick stated that the Health Department is operating without funds as far as the water metering issue goes. They are about \$25,000 over in spending. Cathy explained the current fees that are in place, and explained plans to implement additional inspection fees. Neil Caulkins stated that the County needs a MOA with Ecology in order to move forward. Cathy stated that not only does the Health Department not have an MOA with Ecology, they have no program to read the water meters, and the Health Department is storing items which they have no room to store. Discussion followed

Board Direction:

Make a detailed list of the items being stored and let the DOE know that these items will be coming to them. In addition, let the DOE know that we no longer have an MOA with them.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm



Kirk Holmes, Interim Director