Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chairman Obie O'Brien, and Commissioner Paul Jewell

Others: Dan Carlson, Lindsey Ozbolt, Stephanie Mifflin (CDS), Mark Cook, Lucas Huck, Karen Hodges, Candie Leader, (PW) Neil Caulkins (PA), Anna Lael (KCCD), and approximately 5 members of the public.

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M.

Critical Area Ordinance Update
Lindsey Ozbolt gave a brief update that the Citizen Advisory and Technical Advisory committee lists have been updated and staff plans to reach out to see if they are available to come together to look at the revised draft of the Critical Area Ordinance (CAO). After that review, the public notice process can start by taking the CAO to Department of Commerce and the Planning Commission and then to the Board for adoption. The Board opened the study session to public comment. There was concern about potential lack of involvement with the advisory groups regarding the CAO and the Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP).

Comprehensive Plan Update
Lindsey Ozbolt gave a brief update on the working group for the Comprehensive Plan. Lindsey stated housing and economic development were the topic of conversation at the meeting. Lindsey stated the next meeting is January 24th and the only item being discussed is the land use element.

Discussion Regarding Lot Coverage Requirements in Urban Growth Areas
Dan Carlson stated this item was an inquiry from a property owner in the Urban Growth Area (UGA) of Ellensburg. Dan gave a brief overview of the code regarding lot sizes and maximum lot coverage in the UGA. Dan stated the proposal is that the maximum lot coverage in the UGA would not apply as long as property
lines setbacks are met. Dan stated this item is for discussion purposes only at this time.
There was discussion between the Board and Dan regarding the Growth Management Act (GMA) and how this may or may not affect the GMA. There was also discussion regarding the City of Ellensburg’s requirements and how the County’s standards in the UGA should align with those.
Direction was given to draft an amendment for the Board to review and then begin the process of taking the amendment through the public participation process.

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