KITTITAS COUNTY CDS STUDY SESSION MINUTES COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5th ROOM 109 Regular Meeting

MONDAY

2:30 PM

January 13, 2025

1-21-25

Board members present: Chair Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chair Cory Wright and Commissioner Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Chad Bala, Jeremy Larson and Shannon Johnson, Community Development Services; Stephanie Hartung, Prosecuting Attorney's Office and no (0) members of the public.

At 2:30 pm Chair Osiadacz opened the Community Development Services Study Session.

CITIZEN COMMENTS (1 MIN. TIME LIMIT)

There were no public comments.

2024 YEAR-END BUILDING PERMITS UPDATE

CDS Building Official Jeremy Larson summarized the KCCDS Year-End Building Permit Report for 2024. He provided a comparison to 2023, discussed plan review times, gave an electronic review update and provided separate data comparisons for Suncadia permits. He provided clarification for the 2015-2024 data sheets within the agenda packet.

Vice Chair asked if there was data available for ADU permits (Additional Dwelling Units) and Director Chad Bala stated that there were currently four (4) ADU permits.

I-2066 CDS BUILDING SESSION UPDATE

CDS Building Official Jeremy Larson provided a detailed update on Initiative 2066 to stop/prevent discrimination against gas utilities and appliances in commercial and residential construction. He stated that per the advice of our Kittitas County Legal Counsel, the current 2021 building codes haven't changed, and we will continue to enforce the building codes until the courts determine the exact effects of I-2066 and/or the State Building Codes change. The next SBCC (State Building Code Council) meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2025, but an agenda is not yet available.

CDS Building Official Jeremy Larson explained the extra efforts including traveling to Upper County for meetings, and ongoing discussions with our customers, to keep them informed of the status of the legal challenges. He shared the SBCC statement and a potential statement from the County regarding I-2066. Vice-Chair Cory Wright and Commissioner Wachsmith noted that they would not be opposed to posting the statement on the County Website as proposed.

OTHER BUSINESS - No Action to be taken

There was no other business.

Meeting concluded at 2:38 p.m.

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Osiadacz, Chair aura