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"Building Partnerships - Building Communities"

CDS STUDY SESSION MINUTES

April 24, 2017

THOSE PRESENT:

Laura Osiadacz, Obie Obrien, Paul Jewell (BOCC) Dan Carlson, Stephanie Mifflin

(CDS) Luke Huck, Candie Leader (PW)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Pat Deneen

Discussion Regarding COG Administration:

Dan Carlson stated some of the COG members expressed concerns between coordination between Community Development Services (CDS) and Public Works when it comes to administering agendas, minutes, and .09 fund documents. Commissioner Osiadacz stated currently, COG is clerked by a CDS employee and that communication goes through that CDS employee to the Public Works staff when they have questions regarding the .09 funding applications and money, and then back through the CDS employee to COG. Commissioner Osiadacz stated it would be more efficient if Public Works took over the COG meetings regarding the .09 funding process. Luke Huck stated Director Cook was on board with Public Works being more active in the COG during the .09 application process. Commissioner Jewell gave a number of reasons for why CDS should remain the clerk for COG and stated he doesn't want to make a routine change because of a couple issues.

Board Direction: None.

Comprehensive Plan Update:

Dan Carlson gave a status update on the Comprehensive Plan. Dan stated there has been a lot of turnover in the last few months and that current staff is going back through the Comprehensive Plan to make sure the County is still on track. Dan stated the County has had meetings with the working group that have gone really well, but that the County needs to take a step back to make sure the work is in order. Dan gave a timeline for picking the working group back up and for when the new consultant will be at the County to meet with the Board. Commissioner Osiadacz asked if the County was still on track for adoption of the plan or if we would need to ask for an extension. Dan stated the plan is supposed to be done by June 30th, according to RCW. Dan stated we may not be eligible for an extension. There was discussion about the ramifications of being out of compliance.

Pat Deneen stated he sat on a previous land use committee for at least eight years. Pat stated the County seems to be trying to update the entire Comprehensive Plan and that the County should take a limited approach at this time to remain in compliance due to the staff and consultant turn-over.

Board Direction: None.

Dan Carkon, Director

Paul Jewell Chairman