

BROOKINGS PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

October 7, 2008

Following the workshop and a presentation by EcoNorthwest on the “*Economic Opportunity Analysis*” study, the regular meeting of the Brookings Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Markham at 7:03 in the Council Chambers at the Brookings City Hall on the above date with the following Commission members and staff in attendance.

Commissioners Present:

Steve Bismarck Hedda Markham
Ken Bryan Bruce Nishioka
Randy Gorman

Staff Absent: Cheryl McMahan and Juliane Leighton

Staff Present: Planning Director Dianne Morris, Senior Planner Donna Colby-Hanks, and Secretary Cathie Mahon.

Other: Approximately 3 participants in the audience and Coastal Pilot reporter Arwyn Rice

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS- None.

WRITTEN REQUEST and COMMUNICATIONS-None.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTION ON WRITTEN REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS-None.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTION ON FINAL ORDERS
None.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTION IN THE PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. The Chair opened the public hearing for the continuation of File No. **CP-1-08** at 7:03 p.m. The request is to consider the adoption of the “*Storm and Surface Water Facilities Plan for the Brookings-Harbor Area.*” This plan, which is to be jointly adopted by the City of Brookings and Curry County, addresses storm and surface water issues within the Urban Growth Boundary.

Planning Director Morris suggested a motion be made and the matter continued. She explained a joint workshop has been scheduled to discuss the plan with the Curry County Planning Commission on Tuesday, October 21, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Exhibit I was submitted by Yvonne Maitland, 15676 Oceanview Drive.

By a 5-0 vote (Motion: Commissioner Nishioka) the Planning Commission approved the motion to continue File No. **CP-1-08** until after the workshop. The Chair announced the Public Hearing for File No. **CP-1-08** will be held Tuesday, November 4, 2008, at the regular Planning Commission meeting. The Chair closed the hearing at 7:06 p.m.

2. The Chair opened the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. for File No. **LDC-12-08**, an amendment to Chapter 17.88, Section 17.88.040(P) Exempt Signs, of the Brookings Municipal Code; City Initiated. The amendment will add "Public Art Committee" as the review body for proposed murals. The criteria used to decide this case is found in Chapter 17.140-Amendments, of the B.M.C. This is a legislative hearing and the Planning Commission will make a recommendation to City Council.

No exparte contact, personal bias, personal interest, conflicts or objections were declared by the Commission. There was no challenge from the audience as to the jurisdiction of the Commission to hear the request. Discussion ensued. The following change in language was recommended:

➤ 17.88.040 (P) Exempt Signs. Wall graphics, except that murals shall be reviewed by ~~the Site Committee~~ the Public Art Committee and conform to general guidelines adopted by City Council resolution. *In the event the Public Art Committee is unavailable to convene, the Site Plan Committee will perform the needed review.* (changes in italics).

The hearing was closed at 7:13 p.m. and a vote was taken. By a 5-0 vote (Motion: Commissioner Bismarck) the Planning Commission voted to forward to City Council a favorable recommendation for File No. **LDC-12-08** with the suggested language.

COUNTY REFERRELS

Planning Director Morris discussed County Referrals reviewed by staff and approved at recent Curry County Planning Commission meetings:

1. CR-AD-0815-cell tower and bldg. at 17345 Carpenterville-S.Coast Lumber site
2. CR-Z-0803-zone change at 17182 Old County Rd-Thompson
3. CR-AD-0816-conditional use for in-fill within floodplain of Chetco-Mahar/Tribble

APPROVAL of MINUTES

By a 4-0-1 vote (motion: Commissioner Gorman) the Planning Commission approved the minutes of September 9, 2008 as written. Commissioner Nishioka abstained due to absence.

COMMENTS by the PLANNING STAFF

Planning Director Morris mentioned an subdivision request will be on the agenda for the November 4th meeting.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business before the Planning Commission, the meeting closed 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hedda Markham, Chair
(approved at _____ meeting)