

**CITY OF COOS BAY
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**

Wednesday, December 10, 2003
7:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS: Chairman Bruce Harlan, Commissioners, Mark Daily, Chris Hood, Chris Coles, Rex Miller and Susan Spargo

STAFF: Laura Barron, Planning Administrator
Debbie Erler, Planning/Code Spec.

SIGNED-IN GUESTS: None

CCI/PUBLIC COMMENTS None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ITEM A: Plan Amendments (ZON2003-00077): Amendments to the text of the Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan, Volume I, Plan Policies, and Volume II, Inventory, to incorporate the Coos Bay Transportation System Plan.

ITEM B: Land Development Ordinance Text Amendments (ZON2003-00090): As part of the Transportation System Plan, amendments to the Land Development Ordinance required for compliance with the Oregon Transportation Planning Rule, including, but not limited to, access management standards, street standards, and pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

Chairman Harlan asked if there were any objections to the Planning Commission hearing the item on jurisdictional grounds. He asked if the Planning Commission had exparte contact or conflict of interest to report.

Chairman Harlan opened the public hearing.

Laura Barron read the disclosure statement and outlined the proposed amendments. Mrs. Barron read into the record a note from Barbara Rhodes (Exhibit 1) indicating she is against the proposed changes due to lack of specific information regarding improvements to Empire Blvd. Mrs. Barron stated that at the December 9, 2003 Planning Commission hearing on a proposed 36-lot subdivision the Commission unanimous recommended to include a road connecting the signaled intersection at K-Mart and the proposed development south of Prefontaine Drive to the "Action Plan" portion of the TSP (diagram 3-4, Connectivity, on page 3-15).

The Planning Commission discussed street width and street grades and the required compliance with the Uniform Fire Code.

Carl Springer of DKS Associates presented a Power Point overview of the TSP standards and goals.

Andy Nasburg stated he likes the idea of 3-lanes on Ocean Blvd. He stated the center turning lane would increase traffic safety.

Mr. Springer and the audience discussed issues regarding reducing Ocean Blvd. to one-lane each way with a center turn lane.

Darron Fletcher, Director of Ocean Crest, stated they plan to develop a retirement community on the 18-acres at 19th Street off Ocean Blvd.

Chairman Harlan closed the public hearing.

Mr. Springer and the Planning Commission discussed the theory behind the level of service designations. They discussed access to existing parcels.

MOTION: Commissioner Coles – Accept the Findings and Conclusions for Decision Criteria A-D and recommend the City Council approve Plan Amendment #ZON2003-00077 amending the text of the Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan, Volume I, Plan Policies, and Volume II, Inventory, to incorporate the Coos Bay Transportation System Plan with the following changes to the draft plan:

1. Include freight route connections from Lockhart to US 101 be revised;
2. Re-evaluate Bike Action Plan project list;
3. Include local street connectivity to K-Mart area (via Prefontaine Drive);
4. Show existing bike path on Broadway;
5. Include refinement study for Radar Road area;
6. Include a street improvement project for the Ocean/Central intersection to eliminate the need for the “Stop” sign coming into town;
7. Revise cost estimate totals in Summary (and Chapter 4) to reflect combined bike, ped and motor vehicle projects;
8. Include a footnote to “<1000 ADT” volume threshold in Figure 3-5;
9. Add 28’ local street cross-section with parking on one-side to Figure 3-5; and
10. Include Radar Road, Fulton, and the southern portion of Morrison to the Collector status on the Functional Plan map.

SECOND: Commissioner Spargo

VOTE: Unanimous

MOTION: Commissioner Coles – Accept the Findings and Conclusions for Decision Criteria 1-2 and recommend the City Council approve Land Development Ordinance Text Amendments #ZON2003-00090 as part of the Transportation System Plan, amendments to the Land Development Ordinance required for compliance with the Oregon Transportation Planning Rule.

SECOND: Commissioner Spargo

VOTE: Unanimous

ADMINISTRATIVE

Daily talked about the traffic on Anderson Avenue from 4th Street to HWY 101 South. He stated there has been two meeting to discuss a change in the traffic pattern without ODOT requiring the elimination of parking on one side of South Broadway.

ADJOURNMENT 9:25 p.m.

Bruce Harlan, Chairman
Planning Commission
City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon

ATTEST:

Debbie Erler Planning/Code Specialist
City of Coos Bay

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