# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF COOS BAY URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

# February 24, 2011

The minutes of the proceedings of a joint work session of the City of Coos Bay Urban Renewal Agency and Planning Commission, Design Review Committee, Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, South Coast Development Council, and the Downtown Association, held at 6 p.m. at the Coos Bay Library, 525 Anderson Avenue, Coos Bay, County, Oregon.

#### **Those Attending**

Those present were Chair Gene Melton and Board Members Jon Eck, Jennifer Groth, Joanie Johnson, Stephanie Kramer, and Crystal Shoji. Absent: John Muenchrath. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, Finance Director Rae Lea Cousens, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, Library Director Carol Ventgen, and Economic Revitalization Administrator Joyce Jansen.

## Discussion on the Vision for Downtown Coos Bay

Discussion focused on business development activities, marketing, and improving the streetscape to encourage people to shop downtown or to stop and participate in the area attractions. A pedestrian friendly environment would include close proximity parking to attractions and shopping; improved signage to direct people where to park. Additional goals would be to encourage historic building owners to apply to be on the historic register; develop a public square with murals, paintings, activities; restripe parking lots to accommodate recreational vehicle parking; and replace overgrown trees with maintenance free foliage or to-scale trees. No decisions were made.

## **Adjourn**

Attest:

There being no further business to come before the Agency Chair Melton adjourned the meeting.

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Jennifer Groth, Secretary