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Present: Angie Zetterquist, Josh Runhaar, Lane Parker, Brady Christensen, Nolan Gunnell, Chris Sands

Start Time: 05:30:00

Christensen welcomed and Parker gave opening remarks.

05:31:00

Agenda

Approved with no changes.

05:36:00

Minutes

Gunnell motioned to approve the minutes from March 7, 2019; Parker seconded; Passed 4, 0.

05:33:00

Consent Items

#1 Richmond Valley Subdivision 3rd Amendment

Sands motioned to approve the Richmond Valley Subdivision 3rd Amendment with the stated findings of fact, seven conditions, and two conclusions as written; **Parker** seconded; **Passed 4, 0.**

05:34:00

Regular Action Items

#2 Hills of Home Subdivision

Zetterquist reviewed the staff report for the Hills of Home Subdivision.

Staff and **Commissioners** discussed the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), and needed road improvements.

Lee Nelson commented on the contract with Johnson's and the existing gravel pit, the bridge and signage for weight limits, and the need for grading on the road.

Gunnell and Parker asked about reclamation for the gravel pit.

Mr. Nelson responded about the plans for reclamation of the gravel pit.

Staff and **Commission** discussed the reclamation and how much of the gravel pit will be left open for personal use.

Christensen asked about the contract on the gravel pit.

Mr. Nelson responded they are working on ending the contract.

Staff and **Commission** discussed the contract and CUP for the gravel pit, and when reclamation would start.

Gunnell motioned to approve the Hills of Home Subdivision with the stated findings of fact, six conditions, and one conclusion as written; Sands seconded; Passed 4, 0.

05:50:00

#3 Specific Criteria for Rural 2 and Rural 5 Zone Rezone Requests

Zetterquist reviewed the information for the Rural 2 (RU 2) and Rural 5 (RU5) Zone rezone requests.

Staff and **Commission** discussed the specific criteria for RU 2 and RU 5 zone rezone requests. Staff reports will contain more information to help answer the questions regarding criteria. Density, size of rezones, and noticing were also discussed.

06:15:00

Gunnell motioned to recommend the Rural 2 and Rural 5 Zone Rezone options to the County Council; Sands seconded; Passed 4, 0.

Cheryl Burgess asked what defines a small rezone?

Runhaar responded a small rezone is fewer than 3 lots created.

Sands stated that is not a set-in-stone definition.

Christensen commented that this is a concession.

Ms. Burgess commented against not having stricter criteria for rezones and that developers should be held to a higher standard.

Runhaar commented that the issues with private and public roads are being addressed currently.

Christensen stated some of the concerns Ms. Burgess has raised regarding developers and how they develop is out of the control of the Planning Commission.

Ms. Burgess asked if the Planning Commission could set standards for a single home owner and a set of standards for a developer.

Runhaar responded that there cannot be one set of standards for a single home owner and one set of standards for a developer. The standards legally have to be the same.

Ms. Burgess commented that developers are causing problems by hanging onto land that would be developed once the initial development is annexed into a city.

Runhaar responded to Ms. Burgess about annexation and a subdivision amendment.

Ms. Burgess asked about the exception 960 West on Hwy 218 for a fourth home.

Zetterquist stated the developer had obtained a design exception for four homes on a private road instead of the maximum three; it was not an exception for a fourth lot.

Ms. Burgess commented on the needed infrastructure for development, specifically water.

Christensen commented that water is the developer or property owner's risk.

Sands stated that the Planning Commission has no jurisdiction over water.

Runhaar stated the only thing the Planning Commission and Planning and Zoning can confirm is that they have a water right. Water rights and wells are overseen by the state.

Christensen responded that it would be beneficial for Ms. Burgess to discuss water concerns with the state water engineer.

Ms. Burgess responded she had. There are problems with developers who develop on the edge of the city.

Mr. Burgess asked about the master plan that is being developed and if that will have public comment.

Runhaar responded that there would be a series of public hearing.

Mr. Burgess stated he wants to remain agricultural and with the changes to the RU2 and RU5, agriculture is going to disappear, as well as water.

6:03:00

Adjourned