

Meeting Notes for December 3, 2007

Planning Commission Members Present: Jon Akin, Suvia Judd, Steve Heick, Bob Henriksen, Janet Hohle and Danelle Forseth.

Planning Department Staff: Michelle Fuson

Action Items Identified in Meeting:

Each commission member is to compile a list of community groups to engage in the public participation workshops.

Each commission member is to review the public participation workshop notice.

Discussion Items:

JH and SJ conducted a run through of the public participation workshop with the Board of County Commissioners, Planning Department Staff, County Employees, and Planning Commission members. The workshop consisted of two person interviews on the parts of Latah County each enjoys and why. A larger group discussion reported on each paired interviews. After the workshop, the PC reviewed the process and discussed how to modify it. The PC discussed shortening the length of the workshop and developing a strategy for addressing negative observations. The PC recognized that community groups will have shorter time restraints. The PC discussed shortening the length of the workshop by moving through scribing faster and limiting the facilitator's role in the workshop. The PC felt it was important to allow for follow-up by the interviewees so that they were being heard correctly. The PC discussed ways to retain the information presented at the workshops including, scanning the large post-its, compiling a database of participant's answers, and retaining the original post-its.

In regards to the public announcement of the workshops, MF is investigating the possibility of a separate mailing. The PC is to consider the scope of the mailing.

Meeting notes for the November 6, 2007 meeting of the Planning Commission were approved as modified.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.