

LATAH COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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Meeting Notes May 5, 2009

PC meeting began at 5:35 PM

Planning Department Staff: MF

Planning Commission Members: BH, SJ, DF, CA, SJ, JA

PC reviewed minutes from April 21, 2009. The Minutes were approved as submitted

Presentation by Dave Trail Regarding Inclusion of "Ring Road" in City's Draft Comprehensive Plan

Mr. Trail voiced several concerns regarding the City's inclusion of the "Ring Road" in its Draft Comprehensive Plan ("CP"). Mr. Trail is a County resident and owns approximately 500 acres some of which would be impacted by the development of the "Ring Road" as it is currently presented in the City's Draft CP. Mr. Trail expressed concern with the lack of data on costs to develop the road, increased operation and maintenance (e.g., snow removal, trash pick-up), impacts to homeowners and farmers, impacts on property tax assessments, increased traffic, increased road noise, impacts to local merchants, lack of attendance at public meetings by county residents, impacts to the tax base by property coming off tax base and devaluing of property, eminent domain lawsuits, impacts to historic trees, and that the City's consultant is featuring the project (City's CP) on its website.

In response to the issues and concerns raised by Mr. Trail, the PC heard a motion and unanimously voted to draft a memorandum to the BOCC to bring the "Ring Road" issue to its attention and requesting that the BOCC contact the City and request that the City refrain from planning outside of its municipal boundaries without contacting those affected property owners and the county and involving those entities in its planning process. MF was to draft a memorandum on the PC's behalf and transmit it to the BOCC prior to its meeting with Mr. Trail.

Review of letter to legislative representatives regarding Upper Lochsa Land Exchange

The PC approved the letter as amended and it was given to MF for transmission to the BOCC.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22