

Meeting Notes

Friday, September 8, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Jeff Niten – City of Ridgefield; Mitch Kneipp – City of Washougal, and Eric Eisemann – City of La Center, Robert Maul– City of Camas; Mark Harrington – Regional Transportation Council County Staff: Gordy Euler, Jacqui Kamp, Colete Anderson, Matt Hermen and Jose Alvarez Meeting Notes by: Jose Alvarez

Welcome & Introductions:

Gordy welcomed everyone to the meeting.

□June meeting notes accepted.

Status of the Community Framework Plan

Euler updated the group that the Board has not taken up the issue or provided any additional guidance.

Status of the GMA Appeal:

Euler updated the group that there is a hearing date for November 7th with location to be determined. Niten mentioned that briefs were due on the 12th of September.

Update/discussion of the Buildable Lands Bill:

Since Gary, Oliver and Bryan were not in attendance no new information on the status.

Discussion of ESB 5517 - Rail Dependent Use Bill:

Euler gave the group an overview of the Bill and let them know that a work session was scheduled for the 20th of September to review a proposed scope of work with the Board and that staff would be meeting with the Railroad Advisory Board on the 11th of September.

Historic Preservation Commission update

Kamp said that she will be doing outreach to each of the City Councils regarding the benefits of the program. She will send out the scheduled dates for each jurisdiction. She also let them know that the Intergovernmental Agreements need to be updated to reference title 40 instead of title 18. Some city codes may also need to be amended for the same reason.

Commission on Aging

Kamp told the group that the Commission wanted to follow up on the February housing summit and see how they were doing in regards to providing Age Friendly housing. The Commission will be hearing from Vancouver's Alisha Topper at their next meeting. Ridgefield is adopting a green building code and their council is debating what percentage of new homes should meet the visit-ability standard. Camas is updating their ADU code. Anderson mentioned the County's efforts to add "tiny homes" to the code, update the ADU standards in the urban area and create code for ADUs in the rural area. Also looking at inventory of county owned land for potential surplus for housing; working with internal and external partners on potential pilot or demonstration project for cottage housing.

Roundtable:

County: Upcoming work sessions on Current Use program and Transfer of Development Rights – September 13th and ESB 5517 Rail dependent uses on September 20th. Providing input to Ecology on new guidelines for SMA update, updating CARA ordinance process, base flood elevation for Washougal, Gorge code amendments for cumulative effects; interest in possible circulation plan around casino.

RTC - Regional Transportation plan update in 2018, State Freight plan out for review, Washington State Transportation plan high level policy, provided update on ODOT value pricing in I-5 & I-205 corridor.

Camas: Tree Ordinance is being worked on; Grass Valley Sub-Area plan being revisited. Water and sewer infrastructure in process on the north side of Lacamas Lake; Transportation infrastructure is needed; drive-thru waffles coming to downtown.

Ridgefield: Heritage Tree Ordinance is in process; self-storage facility moratorium; Gee Creek sub-area plan in process may remove donut hole; Mixed use project south of Clark College site; 145,000 sq. ft. school facility under construction.

Washougal: Mixed Use 3 commercial and 9 residential units ready to break ground; secured money for council to complete downtown redevelopment code; updating floodplain elevation ordinance.

La Center: New code for park exactions in addition to impact fees; Sign code approved; Hybrid form based code for junction area approved; sewer line at the junction is done water line being installed; 400 units at 12 units/acre being developed; Kayak launch opens in fall; working with Ridgefield on water trail; code for temporary signs with 90 day renewals.

Next Meeting: December 11, 2017, 10:00 - 12:00, Battle Ground.