MINUTES - Regular Meeting

Thurston County Planning Commission
Wednesday, August 2, 2000
County Courthouse Complex
2000 Lakeridge Drive SW
Building 1 - Room 152
Olympia, Washington 98502

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Bower, followed by introductions of Planning Commission members.

   a. Attendance

      Members Present: Leo Deatherage, Bob Bower, Peggy Paradise, Brian Fagernes, Janet Reiner, Liz Lyman, and Barbara Frost

      Members Absent: Tom Cole and e.j. Curry

      Staff Present: Fred Knostman, Jennifer Hayes, Sandy Norton

   b. Approval of Agenda

      The agenda was approved as submitted.

2. Public Hearing - 2000 Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Associated Regulations

   Chair Bower opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

   City-Initiated Joint Plan Amendment - CI-1 (Yelm) - Revise the location for future Y2" and Y3" roads, providing two bypass routes around Yelm to the west for State Route 510 and to the south for State Route 507.

   No testimony.

   Amendments Initiated by the Board of County Commissioners - CO-1 - Redesignate and rezone 12 acres in the Yelm Urban Growth Area from Light Industrial to Rural Residential 1/5.

   No testimony.
Amendments Initiated by the Board of County Commissioners - CO-2 - Redesignate and rezone 4.47 acres in the Nisqually Valley (Thurston County) from Neighborhood Convenience Commercial to Rural Residential 1/5.

Summary of Testimony:

Randy Strupp - 650 Old Pacific Highway SE, Lacey, WA
Mr. Strupp stated he is for this rezone and all of the property listed is his neighbors and his property. Mr. Strupp stated this a good move because the properties that are vacant nobody seems to be interested in because of the floodplain and some of the restrictions on the properties. Mr. Strupp stated he would like it to be known that he is for this rezone and he thinks it is a good move.

Site-Specific Amendments Initiated by Citizens - QJ-1 (Artus/Kaufman) - Redesignate and rezone 5 acres at 79th Avenue SE near Trails End Drive in the Tumwater Urban Growth Area from Multi-Family Medium Density to Light Industrial.

No testimony.

Site-Specific Amendments Initiated by Citizens - QJ-2 (The Betti Trust) - Adopt a new chapter, Light Industrial/Commercial, into the Lacey Urban Growth Area zoning code (Title 21). Redesignate and rezone 81.5 acres at 29th Avenue NE and Marvin Road in the Lacey Urban Growth Area from Business Park to Light-Industrial/Commercial.

Summary of Testimony:

Evelyne Betti - 2929 Marvin Road NE, Olympia
Ms. Betti stated she is putting her property back into the light industrial zone, which it was originally and what all of her warehouses were built under. She is beginning to build more warehouses and they do not fit into a business district. Ms. Betti stated that the County and Lacey were cooperating beautifully and she is delighted with them. Ms. Betti also stated she hopes the Commission cooperates with her and she thanks the Commission in advance for anything they can do to facilitate this and hurry it up as she is anxious to get started.

Jennifer Hayes - Associate Planner
Ms. Hayes stated she received a letter this week from David Burns, City of Lacey. Ms. Hayes stated the letter reiterates the Cities support of the rezone proposal. Ms. Hayes handed out a copy of the letter to each Commission member.

Amendments Initiated by the Board of County Commissioners - CO-3

No testimony.

Chair Bower offered a second opportunity for the public to provide testimony on any of the
proposed amendments. Hearing none, Chair Bower closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

**Having received public testimony on the amendment proposals, Commissioner Frost moved, seconded by Commissioner Reiner to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners adoption of the 2000 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposals, as follows:**

Amend the Transportation Plan of the Yelm Joint Plan with Thurston County to adopt the final alignment of the Y2/Y3 bypass routes around the City of Yelm;
Redesignate and rezone 81.5 acres in the Lacey UGA from Business Park to Light-Industrial Commercial, and adopt a new Light-Industrial Commercial chapter in the Lacey UGA Zoning Ordinance;
Redesignate and rezone 5 acres in the Tumwater UGA from Multi-Family Medium Density Residential to Light Industrial;
Update the Thurston County Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 6 (the Capital Facilities Plan);
Redesignate and rezone 4.47 acres in the Nisqually Valley Sub-Area from Neighborhood Convenience Commercial to Rural Residential 1/5;
Redesignate and rezone 12 acres in the Yelm UGA from Light Industrial to Rural Residential 1/5.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Planning Commission and Staff Updates**

Mr. Knostman stated that John Sonnen has been hired as the new Senior Planner and will be starting with the County on August 7, 2000. Mr. Sonnen comes from the City of Olympia and will be working on next year's work program, code amendments, and comprehensive plans.

Mr. Knostman gave an update on the Growth Management Hearings Board decision on the Cooper Point Wastewater Facilities Plan appeal. Mr. Knostman stated that the decision has been received and Ms. Hayes handed out a copy of the decision denying the extension of the sewer line to serve the Tamoshan and Beverly Beach area. Mr. Knostman stated that the Board of County Commissioners has determined they will be appealing the Growth Hearings Board decision. The news release was issued August 2, 2000. Mr. Knostman also stated that Jeff Fancher will be representing the County in this matter.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

July 5, 2000 minutes:

**Commissioner Paradise moved, seconded by Commissioner Reiner to approve the minutes for July 5, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.**
5. **Calendar (Tentative)**

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for August 16, 2000.

6. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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Bob Bower, Chair