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TO: Board of County Commissioners
Scott Vargo
Jeff Huntley
FROM: Sara R. Lopez
RE: Work Session Meeting of September 22, 2020
DATE: September 22, 2020

Attendees:

Elected Officials: Karn Stiegelmeier, Elisabeth Lawrence (via Zoom) and Thomas C. Davidson – Commissioners

Staff (via phone or Zoom): Scott Vargo, County Manager; Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Julie Sutor, Communications Director; Jim Curnutte, Community Development Director; April Kroner, Planning Director; April Paige, Executive Administrative Manager; Brandi Timm, Planning Technician-STR; Dylan Graves, Planning Technician; Ian Corder, Planning Technician; Suzanne Pugsley, Planner and Lauren Gearhart, Health Promotion and Prevention Specialist.

Staff: Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Keely Ambrose, Assistant County Attorney and Sara R Lopez, Administrative Assistant.

Guests (via phone or Zoom): Libby Stanford and others who did not sign in.

I. 2021 Planning Department Program Presentation (Planning)

April Kroner gave an overview of the Planning Department Work Program priorities for the remainder of 2020, and 2020, focusing on the following but not limited to:

1. Review progress on the high priority planning projects previously identified by the Board.
2. Discuss potential new projects that the Board may want Planning staff to work on.
3. Provide direction to the Planning Department on the priority of the various projects to pursue in the remainder of 2020 and throughout 2021.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES FOR 2019 AND INTO 2020

1. Short-Term Rental Permitting Implementation.
2. Various Development Code Amendments:
 - a. Prioritize Housing (Sec 3809) Amendment
 - b. BOCC Public hearings on Addressing and Road Standards.
 - c. Continue work on Fee Schedule with updated salary and other expenses with goal of covering costs for each type of permit or review.
 - d. A General Code amendment to cover several smaller items should be pursued.

3. Rezoning of County-owned parcels to OS where development rights have been removed, and rezoning of parcels acquired by USFS to NR-2.
4. Countywide Comprehensive Plan, Lower Blue, Snake River, Ten Mile, Upper Blue Master Plan updates.
5. Sustainability Initiative and Climate Action
6. Updating the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) pricing methodology for the Countywide TDR bank.
7. Wetland Protection Code amendments.
8. Major Rewrite of the Keystone Planned Unit Development (PUD).
9. Planning Commission consolidation.

PROPOSED 2021 PLANNING DEPARTMENT WORK PROGRAM

1. Short-term Rental Regulation Code Amendments and Software Transition.
2. Housing Code Amendments.
3. Countywide Comprehensive Plan, Lower Blue, Snake River, Ten Mile, Upper Blue Master Plan updates.
4. Work on developing overall ideas for plan structure, process and timeline.
5. Work on outreach to specific neighborhoods / areas to identify key issues or concerns that could be addressed in near future and be incorporated into new plans.
6. Sustainability Initiative and Climate Action – Compact of Colorado Communities Implementation.
7. Updating the TDR pricing methodology for the Countywide TDR bank.
8. Wetland Protection Code Amendments.
9. Major Rewrite of the Keystone PUD.
10. Planning Commission Consolidation.
11. Economic Resiliency/Diversity Initiatives
12. Various Development Code Amendments:
13. Continue work on Fee Schedule with updated salary and other expenses with goal of covering costs for each type of permit or review.
14. Revise the Lighting Code to bring it up-to-date with current technology in lighting.

ANTICIPATED SUBSTANTIAL PLANNING CASES

15. Peak Materials New Gravel Pit Proposal.

PROJECTS FOR FUTURE WORK PROGRAMS

16. Rezoning of parcels acquired by US Forest Service (USFS) to NR-2.
17. County initiated amendments to various PUD's
18. Backcountry Road standards / Travel management
19. Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) / Joint Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Programs with the Towns (Silverthorne, Frisco, Dillon, Blue River): it may be an opportune time to revisit discussions with the towns about joint planning and TDR programs
20. Joint Upper Blue Master Plan update
21. Update the TDR / IGA between the County and Town of Breckenridge
22. Rezoning properties that are inconsistent with use and Lot Size requirements and / or Master Plans.

STAFFING & WORK LEVELS

Planning staff spends a significant amount of time on various current planning cases, ranging from administrative reviews for applications such as building and sign permits, to subdivisions and major PUD modifications; in addition to public interaction and code enforcement. The COVID pandemic has impacted activity in 2020; however, the inquiries and work on pre-applications is continuing at significant rates.

Commissioners asked questions and provided feedback. They thanked Ms. Kroner for her hard work.

II. Audit Report (Eide Bailly CPAs and Finance)

Marty Ferris and Kim Higgins provided an in depth review of the 2019 Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* for Summit County's grant programs.

Commissioners gave comments and inquired about specific details of the reports.

III. Nicotine Tax Recommendations

Scott Vargo and Lauren Gearhart gave an overview of the Nicotine Tax Revenue Recommendations from the Community Nicotine Group:

Problem

- Youth vaping still nowhere near traditional smoking rates within the last decade
- Of youth who vape, more than 1/2 tried to quit in the last year
- Raising nicotine taxes increase burden on smokers

Solution

- Provide tobacco users with referral and quit services
- Implement hard-hitting media campaigns including counter-marketing
- Update prevention education
- Upstream prevention strengthens social determinates of health
 - Mental health, affordable housing and childcare, job security and economic growth

Special Sales Tax Purposes Ballot Language

- Reduce teen vaping
- Improve the health of citizens of Summit County
- Lessen public health consequences from nicotine products
- Provide addiction, prevention and intervention programs and referral services
- Provide local enforcement of laws that prohibit the sale of nicotine products to underage persons
- Funded via licensing fees
- Improve availability of affordable public health services

IV. Managers' and Commissioners' Issues

Senior Management and Commissioners discussed several topics including but not limited to:

Scott Vargo reviewed a letter from Don Schroder, with CSU, regarding Xcel Energy's Wildfire Mitigation Plan and Wildfire Mitigation Rider with their strategy to prepare and protect against wildfire risks in Colorado.

Commissioners also reviewed schedules and upcoming calendar events.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:



Sara R Lopez, Deputy Clerk



Approved by:



Karn Stiegelmeier, Chair