

MEETING MINUTE SUMMARY
MOUNTAINOUS PLANNING DISTRICT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, September 1, 2016 4:00 p.m.

****Meeting minutes approved on November 3, 2016****

Approximate meeting length: 1 hour 7 minutes

Number of public in attendance: 2

Summary Prepared by: Wendy Gurr

Meeting Conducted by: Commissioner Persing

***NOTE:** Staff Reports referenced in this document can be found on the State and County websites, or from Salt Lake County Planning & Development Services.

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners	Public Mtg	Business Mtg	Absent
NEIL COHEN		Tele-conference	
BRYAN O'MEARA			x
TOD YOUNG (Chair)			x
LIBBY ELLIS		x	
LINDA JOHNSON		x	
DON DESPAIN		x	
REID PERSING		x	
CATHERINE KANTER		x	
JAMES PALMER		x	
CHRISTIE HUTCHINGS			x

Planning Staff / DA	Public Mtg	Business Mtg
Wendy Gurr		x
Max Johnson		x
Spencer Hymas		
Curtis Woodward		x
Wilf Sommerkorn		x
Chris Preston (DA)		
Rolen Yoshinaga		
Zach Shaw (DA)		x

County Counsel Zach Shaw advised the commission needs to elect a chair pro-tem from the regular members. Commissioner Ellis nominated Commissioner Persing, Commissioner Johnson seconded that motion. Regular members voted unanimous in favor (of commissioners present)

BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting began at – 4:02 p.m.

- 1) Resource Management Plan and the Canyons Plan update – Wilf Sommerkorn

Wilf Sommerkorn with Salt Lake County Regional Development office provided an update that state legislature passed about a bill that every county in Utah adopt a general plan, called a resource management plan. Intended to be within public lands within Wasatch Mountains and

southwest of the county. Salt Lake County doesn't have a general plan, but plans for various areas of the county. Amended and adopted into the plan. Number of issues and long list of items from house bill 219 from 2016. Mr. Sommerkorn handed out a copy of the plan. State legislature allocated up to 50,000 in the development of the resource management plan, deadline May 1, 2017. Legislative body adopt by August 1, 2017. Salt Lake County Township Services Principal Planner Max Johnson will assist in this.

Mr. Johnson said the resource management plan is in contracts for a week and issued end of next week. Start date of October 1st and tentative date of November 1st.

Mr. Sommerkorn said assembled all of the existing policies. Work done contract out by WFRC and has identified all existing policies. Under state code, it is their responsibility as a planning commission to prepare and a recommendation is their responsibility. This all relates to manage federal lands and the state legislature has taken a number of steps to show the state can manage the lands. There is a lot more sensitivity to the state and there is a good relationship. Since this relates to all federal lands, the state requires this be done. Commissioner Kanter asked what the scope of work will be.

Mr. Johnson said the bill identifies twenty-eight areas that need addressing, that are more germane to them. The scope of work is general. They are looking at a huge public component and engagement. Qualifications include social media, experience conducting public events and qualify with managing federal lands.

Mr. Sommerkorn said he sees this as a two-step. First part, identify existing policies and get in the format called for by the state. Second, readdress the plan that was done in 1989 and probably a lot has changed. In 2010, there was a process started with Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow. The document was not an official document, but more recommendations. This was put on hold as a general consensus. Mountain accord process proceeded. Mountain accord has wrapped up and is proceeding with doing additional studies with issues. Need a reexamination with regards to canyons plans. The resource management plan is a prod to help them accomplish that. The office of regional management is looking to budget and fund this project. Assignment is to go through the process. Get these items on the resource management plan and readdress and read all of the plans.

Commissioner Ellis asked timing for the general process. Mr. Sommerkorn said they don't know yet, but his biggest concern is having a large budget for public engagement. Commissioner Johnson said it is her opinion that the staff in the planning department killed themselves working on this and would like to see staff not part of process. She thinks the planning department needs additional staff. Commissioner Despain said a lot of staff work and training on them. Mr. Sommerkorn said every county is tied in the vote. Commissioner Kanter said they could schedule a working session. Mr. Sommerkorn said will do that and use regular meetings to do that. Commissioner Johnson asked for the links to review the documents.

Barbara Cameron representing Big Cottonwood Canyon Community Council said she is grateful working on this behalf. She worked in 2013 with staff and has a hand out that was put on hold in 2013. Commissioner Cohen said it is this commission's responsibility to create the general plan.

Commissioner Cohen motion to start initiating the planning process for resource management plan as presented and staffs approach concur for staff to proceed in that manner. Commissioner Johnson seconded that motion. Commissioners voted unanimous in favor.

2) Review of minutes and written motion regarding file 29717 – Mountain Resort Zone

Salt Lake County Zoning Administrator Curtis Woodward confirmed the redlines in the recommendations and forwarded to the county council to begin studying.

Commissioner Kanter said there is a difference on the redlined version between their recommendation and Salt Lake County Planning Commission. 19.13.030, she said whatever Salt Lake County Planning Commission wanted to do is fine.

Mr. Woodward said this is just for view and they are more than welcome to call him. They are here to approve minutes. Commissioner Ellis asked why tennis courts were added back in. Commissioner Cohen explained because they already exist in the village district. Mr. Woodward explained what the green in the document means.

3) Approval of Minutes from the June 2, 2016 meeting.

Motion: To approve Minutes from the June 2, 2016 meeting as presented.

Motion by: Commissioner Palmer

2nd by: Commissioner Johnson

Vote: Commissioners voted unanimous in favor (of commissioners present)

4) Approval of Minutes from the July 7, 2016 meeting.

Motion: To approve Minutes from the July 7, 2016 meeting as presented.

Motion by: Commissioner Palmer

2nd by: Commissioner Johnson

Vote: Commissioners voted unanimous in favor (of commissioners present)

5) Approval of Minutes from the August 4, 2016 meeting.

Motion: To approve Minutes from the August 4, 2016 meeting with accepted changes.

Motion by: Commissioner Kanter

2nd by: Commissioner Johnson

Vote: Commissioners voted unanimous in favor (of commissioners present)

6) Election of Vice Chair for 2016

Motion: To table Election of Vice Chair until the next scheduled meeting.

Motion by: Commissioner Despain

2nd by: Commissioner Johnson

Vote:

7) Other Business Items (as needed)

No other Business Items to discuss.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Time Adjourned – 5:09 p.m.