

August 23, 2021

CITY OF WASHBURN PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

5:30PM Washburn City Hall & Remote Video Conferencing

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Dave Anderson, Mary Motiff, Matt Simoneau, Britt Serrine, Adeline Swiston

ABSENT: Leo Ketchum-Fish, Vacancy

MUNICIPAL PERSONNEL: Scott Kliver City Administrator, Tammy DeMars City Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by Motiff attendance as recorded.

Approval of Minutes – July 19, 2021, Minutes – Moved by Swiston, to approve the July 19, 2021, minutes, second by Anderson. Motion carries 5-0.

Discussion & Recommendation to Vacate the South Half of S. 10th Avenue West, Adjacent to Lot 12, Block 1 in Wing's 1st Addition to the Townsite of Washburn and Lot 30, Block 7 of Neill, and Wings Addition to the Townsite of Washburn – Mark and Lisa McGinley, Petitioners – McGinley present by zoom. Moved by Anderson to recommend approval to Vacate the South Half of S. 10th Ave West, Adjacent to Lot 12, Block 1 in Wings 1st Addition to the Townsite of Washburn and lot 30, block seven of Neil, and wings addition to townsite of Washburn, second by Swiston. Discussion held. Anderson moves to amend his original motion to include the city of Washburn retains all utility rights Swiston accepts amendment. Motion carried 5 to 0

Continued Discussion and Action on Comprehensive Plan Re-Write Project – Land Use Evaluation and Mapping Review of the Visioning Elements – Jason Laumann of NWRPC – At the June 9, 2021, Meeting the Commission completed the land use objectives 3.1 through 4.3. Jason started tonight with an update on the overall project. The Commission than started to review the objectives where we left off with Transportation. The following changes were made to goals and objectives; Utilities and Community Facilities: Objective 6.1 remove the word “renovations” and replace with “Maintenance of existing infrastructure”. Goal 2 remove “by meeting the needs of residents in a fair and efficient manner”. Objective 6.5 after opportunities add “and facilities”. Objective 6.6 Remove “educational”. Natural, cultural, and agricultural resources: Goal 1 and objective 7.1 will need to be reviewed later. Objective 7.2 change to “Support agricultural opportunities in the city”. Objective 7.3 change “natural value” to “cultural value” and remove the remainder of the sentence. Housing: objective 8.1 replace “preservation and enhancement” with “rehabilitation and maintenance”. Economic Development: replace “to provide adequate jobs, meet the retail and service needs of residents and visitors, provide a strong municipal tax base, and enhance the quality of life in Washburn” with “provides adequate jobs, meets the retail service needs of residence and visitors”. Objective 9.1 change to “Retain encourage and support the expansion of local business and industry”. Objective 9.2 replace “Recruit” with “Welcome”. Objective 9.3 change to “Support and encourage entrepreneurship”. No other changes were noted, and we did not review the individual policy. Jason will make the updates and send updated copy.

Next meeting for work session was scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2021, at 5:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tammy L. DeMars
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk