

MINUTES-CITY OF ASHTON

PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, June 25, 2008

Approx. 7:00 p.m.

714 Main (west entrance)

*The purpose of the Agenda is to assist the Council and interested citizens in the conduct of the public meeting. Careful review of the Agenda is encouraged. Testimony from the public will be solicited for any item or issue listed under the category of **Public Hearings**. Any individual who wishes to address the Council on any other subject should plan to speak when **Item 3- Public Comments** is identified by the Mayor. The Mayor will not normally allow audience participation at any other time. Idaho Law prohibits council action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance.*

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Council Members Present: Councilwoman Janssen, Councilman Huntsman, Councilman Brady and Councilman Pincock.

Others Present: City Clerk Stegelmeier, Deputy Clerk Jan Warnke, P & Z Administrator Suzette Bollinger, Alex Besaris and Peter Young.

The Meeting was called to order by Councilwoman Janssen at 7:42 PM.

Alex Besaris of JUB Engineering reported to the public about the process the P&Z Commission went through to come up with an update to the Comprehensive Plan. In all areas, the commission took time to study and make decisions which they felt served the community well. First, Land Use goals were assessed for Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Open Space and Community Character. The commission then analyzed the existing plan. They then proposed changes and updates to the following; design standards, inconsistencies between zoning and land use, introducing new land use classifications and preparing future land use maps. With all this preparation, they brought it to public hearing to hear comment.

Councilwoman Janssen thanked Alex for his presentation.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes)

Councilwoman Janssen asked for comments in favor of the Update to the Comprehensive Plan. There were none.

Councilwoman Janssen then asked for neutral comments on the Update. Peter Young spoke up as being concerned with the commercial land use policy 2. The policy encourages the preservation of historic and cultural elements and structures. He does not want this policy to become a requirement.

Councilwoman Janssen asked for comments in opposition to the Update to the Comprehensive Plan. There were none.

Councilwoman Janssen then closed the public comment period.

2. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

A. Proposed Ordinance #434-08 – Comprehensive Plan Update 2008

Councilman Pincock made a motion to defer approval of the ordinance to the next meeting. Councilman Brady seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Councilman Pincock asked Peter Young if he would bring a written explanation of the problems he sees with the

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land use policy.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Janssen closed the meeting at 8:02 PM.

NEXT MEETING

Regular Council 7:00 p.m. – Wednesday, July 9, 2008 Council Chambers. Questions concerning items appearing on this Agenda or requests for accommodation of special needs to participate in the meeting should be addressed to the Office of the City Clerk or call 208-652-3987.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathy Stegelmeier, City Clerk.

Attest:

Cathy Stegelmeier
City Clerk

Theo R. Stronks
Mayor