City of Kittitas Council Meeting Minutes May 14, 2007

There was not a quorum for an official meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Huber opened the unofficial meeting of the Kittitas City Council at 7:00 p.m., May 14, 2007. Councilmembers present; Gilmour and Gay. Mayor Cousart, Councilmember Helland, and Councilmember Simpson were absent.

Staff present was City Clerk/Treasurer Robin Newcomb, Public Works Lead Bosch, and WWTP Operator Howard.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

Lisa Parks, our planner, discussed the progress of the comp plan amendment, zoning code amendment, and the amendment to the development regulations. She explained small cities were given a 3 year deferral after the required due date of December 2006. The last comp plan amendment was in 1997.

The Planning Commission has spent the last several months revising the comp plan and zoning code. Some of the major sections are:

- 1. Land Use This is a big item as it designates land use areas. The zoning code has not been revised since 1994 and the GMA requires this to be done at the same time as the comp plan amendment.
- 2. Capital Facilities There will be a staff meeting May 15, 2007, at 3:00 p.m. to discuss this element.
- 3. Transportation An important item in this element is cities can make their own "arterial" street designations.
- 4. Utilities Includes power, telecommunications, and cable.
- 5. Housing Based on the 2000 U.S. Census.

The meeting ended at 8:55 p.m.

6. Critical Areas – This must include the state environmental policy act.

Lisa also explained the capital facilities element should be reviewed annually about this time and the comp plan every 1-2 years.

Councilmember Gay had some suggestions to changes of the vision statement and other areas. The various zoning areas were also discussed including rural residential, central business district, and industrial/commercial.

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