

AGENDA ITEM

I. ROLL CALL

Chair Summerhays called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. In attendance were Commissioners Eisenhauer, Atkin, Couch, Farlow, and Chair Summerhays. There was a quorum. Staff in attendance were Planning Director Matt Brinkley and Assistant Planner Steffen Roennfeldt.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Brinkley said he would like to add an agenda item under New Business: Planning Commission representation on the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plans Update Committee.

III. NEW BUSINESS:
 A. DISCUSSION OF THE FINAL DRAFT OF THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY STUDY

Mr. Brinkley reminded the Planning Commission that the Regional Problem Solving Plan requires Phoenix to conduct a Regional Economic Opportunity Study before any amendments of the UGB.

The most important item of the final draft was the calculation of demand for employment land. Phoenix will have to demonstrate, as part of the UGB amendment, that there is an actual need for employment land over the next 20 years.

There was discussion about the results of the demand for employment land and the Regional Economic Opportunity Study in general

Mr. Brinkley said this study will get incorporated into the five conceptual land use and transportation scenarios which are in the process of being reviewed at the moment. He added that there will also be a local economic opportunity study.

B. DISCUSSION OF FINAL DRAFT OF THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN

There was discussion about the current state of all construction projects going on in town at the moment. Mr. Brinkley reminded the Commissioners that he would like any comments back as soon as possible and that there will be a joint study session with City Council in April.

C. PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATION ON THE PARKS, RECREATION & OPEN SPACE PLANS UPDATE COMMITTEE

Mr. Brinkley asked for a Planning Commissioner to volunteer and serve as a liaison on the parks, recreation & open space plans update commission. Commissioner Couch volunteered.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

VI. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Couch would like to have the Planning Commission to send a letter of appreciation to former Commissioner Weiss.

Commissioner Eisenhauer said that he thought the developer of the Storage Units at Exit 24 was supposed to retain as many trees as possible.

Mr. Brinkley responded that the trees along Payne Creek were removed because the entire streambank is going to be regraded. The developer and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife did work things out and additional trees will get added to the landscape plan to mitigate the loss.

VII. PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Summerhays adjourned the meeting at 7:15 pm.



Micki Summerhays,
Chair

Matt Brinkley, Planning
Director