

## **CITY OF GOLD BAR**

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### **CITY OF GOLD BAR PLANNING COMMISSION Tuesday, April 27, 2010**



#### **CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL**

Chair Norris called the meeting to order with all Planning Commissioners present. Public Works Director John Light and Clerk Treasurer Laura Kelly were also present.

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Planning Commissioner Strom made a motion to approve the agenda as written, with Planning Commissioner Blake seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as written by consensus of the Planning Commission.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Planning Commissioner Strom made a motion to approve the minutes from March 23, 2010 as written, Chair Norris seconded the motion. Minutes from March 23, 2010 were approved as written.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

Public Works Director John Light stated that the old Gold Bar entry sign had been removed and has been moved to Gateway Park and a new temporary sign had been put up on US2.

Mr. Light gave a brief update on the water tank project. Discussion ensued.

Planning Commissioner Strom stated that she would be out of town for parts of May and June.

Planning Commissioners Strom & Blake both stated that they have been getting Junk mail, and had questions on how to manage junk emails. Some discussion followed.

#### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Mayor Joe Beavers, 431 Linda Avenue, presented Planning Commissioner Strom with a picture and road side emergency kit from the Safety Corridor Coalition.

Mayor Beavers also stated that Puget Sound Regional Council would be making a presentation on Vision 2040 at a joint Council/Planning Commission Meeting to be held May 11, 2010. Some discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers stated that the city also has a new attorney, her name is Margaret J. King and she is with Kenyon Disend.

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **1.) Sign Permit Review & Discussion**

Public Works Director John Light gave a brief overview of what the Planning Commission was given in their packets. Mr. Light gave a brief description of the project and the location. Mr. Light read over the Gold Bar Sign Ordinance, parts of the Scenic Highway Vista Act and his staff report.

Sign Applicant Brad Sourbeer, 302 Desert View Place, Orondo, WA. Mr. Sourbeer stated that he planned on putting in two illuminated billboards that would be available for any advertising; the signs lights would turnoff at 11PM per agreement with the property owner. Mr. Sourbeers went on to read parts of the Scenic Vista Act and

Gold Bar Sign Ordinance. Much discussion and questions ensued between the Planning Commissioners and Mr. Sourbeer.

Chair Norris asked each Planning Commissioner for their point of view. All Planning Commissioners agreed in that for various reasons that these signs would not be allowed.

Chair Norris moved to recommend denial of the Sign Permit Application, based on provisions within 17.06, Planning Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The Sign Permit Application was recommended denial by consensus of the Planning Commission.

Public Works Director John Light asked that the Planning Commission write up a Facts & Findings document based on testimony from the applicant and what the Planning Commission had discussed. Mr. Light also asked if the planning Commission would go through his Facts & Findings document and change anything that is wrong.

There was a short recess at 8:07PM

## **2.) Animal Control Ordinance:**

Chair Norris briefly went over the reason for updating the City of Gold Bar's Animal Control Ordinance to match Snohomish County's Animal Control Ordinance. Much discussion ensued between Planning Commissioners on the Animal Control Ordinance.

## **3.) Exterior Construction Design Guidelines:**

Planning Commissioner Wood briefly went over the Exterior Construction Design Guidelines that he has been working on. Much discussion ensued amongst the Planning Commissioners on this document.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**None**

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Donna Strom, 39927 May Creek Road, stated that she would like to see billboards be written into the Sign Ordinance. Mrs. Strom will work on writing a revision to the Sign Ordinance.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Planning Commissioner Blake made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Planning Commissioner Strom seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned by consensus of the Planning Commission.

**ATTEST:**

  
**Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk**

  
**Chair Rich Norris**