

Oroville Planning Commission

Monday, August 21, 2023

Commissioners Present: Arnie Marchand, Heather Marthaller, Jeff Bunnell, Suzi Seger

Alternate Alan Freed.

Absent: Valorie Johnston

Staff: Kurt Danison and Cindy Boyer

Arnie called the meeting to order at 4:32.

First on the agenda was going over the July 2023 draft of the Comprehensive Plan, we will need to make changes to the population data, the number of citizens in the city limits and the surrounding area.

Kurt went over the seven elements of the Comprehensive Plan and the maps he provided for everyone to look over. The Land Use Designations are detailed and colored to show what they represent in our urban growth boundary.

Suzi brought up the trail at Sandalia and will be looking into it for more information to bring to the commission.

With the fires in the area, Heather wondered about the City's Fire Response Plan, Kurt stated that the city has a part in the County's response plan, and that Maurice Goodall is the director of the Okanogan County Emergency Management. The City of Oroville needs to update their plan, but the Commission does not have anything to do with that.

The Land Use Designation is done, and we can work on the open space plan next spring. The Housing Element is out of date and Heather is trying to get in touch with Ashley Range, from the Oroville Housing Authority, to get some more information from her about that.

The Downtown Enhancement Element and the Economic Development Element need to be combined, it will show where Oroville is today and to assess what we have and what do we need. The maps showing the city's core, Eastlake, and Westlake are color coded for every piece of property to show whether it is residential, commercial, or recreational. Kurt needs more comments to help update the elements and with the names of all the city parks.

Dollar General was getting their Shoreline permit and now they will need to do a mitigation plan, with all the extra paperwork they are having to do, the project will probably not be going forward. The owner of the property, Gordon Taylor, is hoping something else will be developed there instead.

The Comprehensive Plan is good to go, we just need some more comments from the public so it can be finished by the end of the year and start zoning next year.

The park survey needs more people to fill out the survey and send them in, right now we only have had 47 turned in.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15

