

MINUTES
CITY OF LANGLEY
PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD
February 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 PM.

ATENDANCE: Gail Fleming, Sue Walsh, Dominique Emerson, Roger Gage, Colin Campbell, Aaron Simpson
Staff: Michael Davolio, Cheryl Knighton

Motion by Roger to approve the January 7, 2015 minutes with changes, second – Dominique.

Discussion:

Countywide Planning Policies

Michael had distributed the proposed County Wide Planning Policies to the board members for them to review. Michael recommends not delaying updating Langley's Comp Plan, and to move forward with it in 2015.

Langley Urban Growth Area

Dominique feels that maybe the retirement community was not taken into account for the population growth statement. Michael explained how the UGA is calculated and feel we have plenty of room with decreasing our UGA. There was consensus in to looking into more affordable housing, and more housing choices. There was an affordable housing provision in the zoning ordinance that expired in 2014. Michael will look into reinstating it. Michael passed out maps of the current zoning boundaries. He also passed out the Public Works utility map showing the urban growth areas outside city limits where the water, lines run. He explained that the UGA needs to include these areas.

He mentioned that the county is keeping him updated on any building permits that are being issued. Next on the agenda for the UGA will be lot policies, new boundary line recommendation and layout of timeline of the Comp Plan. He mentioned he did not want to reduce the boundaries of the Joint Planning Area.

Funicular

Michael proposes a Charette. A public planning meeting where advocates of different options will present their ideas to the public. Colin asked why is the board moving forward on something where the need has not been analyzed. Aaron pointed out the legality issues have not been brought forward. Issues like ADA requirements, Shoreline management, and the Victoria Clipper's request for transporting passengers in to town from the boat before they would come to Langley. Dominique recommended Ursula Roosen-Runge to facilitate. It was decided the Charette will be held on March 25th from 5-8:00PM possibly.

Michael has met with the Port regarding this issue. He indicated that they are in the beginning phase of their Comp Plan. He will continue to meet with them and keep open communication on the Funicular.

Gail would like a copy of the letter from the Clipper to the Mayor. It was decided that the Funicular will be the first item on the agenda at the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned 4:20PM

Dominique asked if the Tree Ordinance applies to the City. Someone was buried in the cemetery too close to a tree and the roots were damaged. The tree could die.

Meeting adjourned 4:12PM