

MINUTES
CITY OF LANGLEY
PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD
May 14, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE: Gail Fleming, Sue Walsh, Dominique Emerson, Paul Goldfinger, Aaron Simpson, Roger Gage

Staff: Jeff Arango, Cheryl Knighton, Katie Haima.

Motion by Aaron to approve the April 2nd minutes, second – Dominique, approved.

Public Hearing – Code Amendments

Sue opened the Public Hearing at 3:05.

There was some discussion among the board regarding lounges and restaurants in neighborhood districts. Wine bars etc. These are some areas that can be talked about and changed at a later time if needed. Marianne Edain pointed out some typos, Jeff will correct. Also was concerned about the “forester” verses an “arborist”. Paul pointed out a couple changes in wording, Design Review Board needs to be changed to Design Advisory Board in a couple places. Jeff will correct.

Motion: to close public hearing at 3:36PM – Aaron, second Roger. Public hearing closed.

The amendments will be forwarded to the council for approval and adoption.

Project Updates:

Everyone was concerned about the newspaper articles in the paper regarding the Dog House. Jeff gave the history of what has happened and the paperwork that has been filed since 1975. Some discussion on possibly creating a Historical District and develop a code on neglected and abandoned buildings.

Some discussion on the Upper Langley Project.

Discussion on the Public Hearing on May 13 regarding Richard Francisco and his proposed 1st street project. Jeff gave an overview of the presentation. Overall he thought it was a good one. There was some concern regarding the loss of view. What will the impact be, height restrictions, 2 story verses three story, bluff stability. Jeff gave examples of shoreline regulations were pointed out. Everyone agreed they hoped that it would be community oriented and will “fit” Langley as far as the store fronts etc. Aaron spoke on how he thought even though everyone does not want to see growth or change, it is inevitable. And from what he has heard and seen about this project, Langley would benefit.

Sue would like to see a “historical downtown”.

Meeting adjourned 4:38PM.