CITY OF PULLMAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 23, 2005

The City of Pullman Planning Commission held a regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 2005, in Council Chambers, City Hall, 325 SE Paradise, Pullman, Washington with Chair John Anderson presiding.

ROLL CALL: Present: Anderson, Bhatia, Martin, Streva, Volkening

Excused: Gruen, Wright Staff: Dickinson, Landers

Anderson Called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and took roll call.

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of January 26, 2005

Anderson requested a correction on the first page of the minutes to say "...he gave the Oath **or** affirmation... ." Martin moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Streva seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Zoning Code Text Amendment relating to radio and television studios in the c1 Neighborhood Commercial District Dickinson stated that at the January 26, 2005 Planning Commission meeting, the committee requested initiating a zoning code text amendment to allow radio and television studios in the C1 Neighborhood Commercial zoning district. Explained that the existing zoning code rules do allow radio and television studios in many of our commercial and industrial districts, but not the C1 Neighborhood Commercial District.

Remarked that this amendment was introduced in order to accommodate the needs of Radio Palouse radio station that is located on Wawawai Road.

Commented that staff recommends approval of this proposal.

MOTION

Martin moved to approve Resolution PC 2005-6 as prepared by staff. Volkening seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Amend Comprehensive Plan Map and Prezone classification on a parcel of land located at 1101 Wawawai Road on Sunnyside Hill Anderson read the rules of procedure and administered the oath or affirmation to anyone wishing to speak.

Dickinson noted that the City of Pullman initiated an amendment for the prezone classification for the subject property which involves the land where the Radio Palouse radio station studio is located. Stated that the request is to change the prezone designation from R2 Low Density Multi-Family Residential to C1. Remarked that planning staff recommends approval of this proposal.

Entered into the record Staff Report No. 05-6 with Attachments A through E as Exhibit No. 1.

Susan Weed 1525 NW Kenny Questioned whether the radio station is going to have to connect to the city utilities (water & sewer).

DICKINSON

Responded that the radio station would not be required to connect to utilities as a consequence of this zoning action.

Susan Weed

Also questioned whether the City Fire Department would be equipped to fight a fire at the radio station since they would be the first responding unit rather than the county. Explained that the current property owners have a well on their property and not a hydrant and that the City Fire Department may not have a truck large enough to hold a considerable amount of water as the county tanker truck does.

Michelle Dupler 405 SE Jordan Pullman Professed that she spoke with the Pullman Fire Department about Ms. Weed's concern and the Operation Officer at the Fire Department responded that this would be a new situation for the Fire Department to have property within the City where there is no water service. Remarked that the fire trucks owned by the City of Pullman are capable of carrying about 500 gallons of water which is enough water to extinguish a normal room and contents fire. Said that since there is no water service to this property if brought into the city, what has been indicated to her is that Pullman Fire would have to take along a truck or have Fire District 12 also respond to the fire. Commented that Fire District 12 is currently responsible to respond to that property since it is located in the county. Described that in connection with dispatch (911), operators have a system (computer) that will tell them which agency should respond to the emergency.

ANDERSON

Closed the public input portion of the hearing.

MOTION

With respect to Resolution No. PC-2005-4, Volkening moved to accept Finding of Fact Nos. 1 through 17 as prepared by staff. Martin seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION

Martin moved to accept Conclusion Nos. 1 through 8 as prepared by staff. Bhatia seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION

Martin moved to approve the requested Comprehensive Plan Map change from Low Density Residential to Commercial. Volkening seconded and the motion passed by roll call vote.

Secretary

MOTION With regards to Resolution PC-2005-5, Martin moved accept the Finding of Facts Nos. 1 through 17 as prepared by staff. Volkening seconded and the motion passed unanimously. **MOTION** Volkening moved to accept Conclusions 1 through 8 as prepared by staff. Martin seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Martin moved to approve the requested prezone change from R2 to C1. **MOTION** Bhatia seconded and the motion passed by roll call vote. **NEW BUSINESS** Dickinson commented that it is the Planning Commission's duty to Proposal to establish report to the City Council on the location, extent, and consistency with the Comprehensive Plan for any new park dedications. Itani Park and Itani Linear Park Explained that the parks in question are Itani Park located on SW Crestview Street near its intersection with SW Campus View Drive and Itani Linear Park which would connect Itani Park with Sunnyside Park. Noted that planning staff finds these proposals consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. **MOTION** Martin moved that the Planning Commission find the proposal consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. Volkening seconded and the motion passed unanimously. **MOTION** Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Streva seconded and the motion passed unanimously. ATTEST: Chair Planning Director