

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

JUNE 12, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Public Services Building in East Wenatchee, Washington. Commissioners Sutton, Steinburg, Straub and the Risk and Records Manager Tiana Rowland were present. County Administrator Jordyn Giulio and Civil Prosecuting Attorney James Mitchell in attendance.

I. 08:30 AM Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order.

II. 08:31 AM Public Comments.

A. No public was present, and no written comments were received.

III. 08:32 AM The Board Met with Administrator Jordyn Giulio.

1. Staff Report

Administrator

Jordyn Giulio, Administrator:

A. There have been a few inquiries regarding the development of Electric Vehicle charging stations, specifically county employees have requested the use of county facilities to charge their vehicles. The Board is in agreement at this time not to allow for this use, however are open to the development of this public infrastructure in the future with proper grant funding.

B. Discussion held on the loop trail boardwalk structure and the maintenance of the structure. There has been a decline in the structural integrity, the Board is in agreement to continue monitoring of the structure and potential demolition and rebuild when funding is available.

C. Update to the Board on the Union Hill Cider Works event facility, the facility is currently permitted as RV storage, however a commercial kitchen has been built and approved by the Chelan Douglas Health District. The property owner has agreed to a conditional Certificate of Occupancy for compliance improvement plan. The Board is concerned about the life safety issue of not having the proper permits in place, ingress and egress for emergency response. Staff will have an update to the Board in the coming weeks as to the property owners progress toward remediation.

D. Update to the Board on the grading of the Fairgrounds parking lot, gravel is being hauled now, the project will be complete prior to the July 4th event.

E. Update to the Board on the AV upgrades to the Superior Court and TLS Conference rooms, an Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) grant will be used for the project in the courtroom and ARPA funds for the other offices.

2. Personnel

Administrator

Jordyn Giulio, Administrator:

- A. Discussion ensued regarding staff coverage on Fridays, and field employee coverage with alternating 4-10 coverage the county has expanded their services for building inspection.
- B. The Board is in agreement to move forward with the potential separation settlement agreement in the amount of \$19,000.

IV. 09:00 AM The Board Met with Transportation and Land Services.

Aaron Simmons, County Engineer:

- A. Overview of the RAP grant and consultant agreement for Alstown Bridge.

1) Coffman Engineers Consultant Agreement

Whitehall & Alstown Bridges

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg motion to approve Coffman Engineers Consultant Agreement for the Whitehall & Alstown Bridge Painting Project; Commissioner Sutton seconded; and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

Tanner Ackley, Land Services Planner and Perry Houston, Interim Land Services

Director:

- A. The Planning Commission recommended approval on 4 of the presented projects. The two applications that have generated additional review by the Planning Commission with the recommendation to deny the application is for the VZS LLC Stimac commercial zoning district, and would recommend neighborhood commercial zoning instead. The Planning Commission recommends a development agreement prior to the approval of the rezoning for the Dufenhorst project. The Future Wise agency has provided comment opposing the project citing violation of the Growth Management Act (GMA) and lamird standards, There are three types of lamird, one includes residential and the other two involve tourist areas, Douglas County's Rural Service Center code allows for all three lamird zoning to occur.
- B. The Comprehensive plan amendment will go to the Hearings Board, the zoning application would need to be challenged under LUPA with the superior court.
- C. The Board made the following directive to staff to explicitly move forward with the hearing board approval process as soon as possible.

V. 09:30 AM The Board Held an Administrative Session.

- A. Okanogan County has reached out to provide support in assisting with the implementation of SmartGov. Okanogan County will need to provide the employee on site as staff does not have the availability to provide onsite support at Okanogan County.
- B. Discussion held on the Wenatchee Valley Fire District off set assessment for tax exempt parcels payment of the 70% levy rate assessment. This is a practice that Chelan County Fire District has conducted for many years and would like to be consistent across both counties with the consolidation of the fire districts.

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C. The Board has requested a letter be drafted to the Regional Port Authority opposing House Bill 1663 regarding the adoption of the unified tax levy. The Port is looking to raise the tax levy for Douglas County constituents to match the rate of Chelan County. The Board would appreciate the Port Authority to consider other equalization models.

D. Stormwater fee reminders will be issued this week. The Stormwater manager will be reaching out to the Treasurer requesting the assessment be included with the bi yearly tax statement rather than separate.

E. Commissioner Straub requested a proforma be conducted for the cost benefit for the development of a decant facility at the county parcel located near Pangborn industrial area.

G. Update provided on the AOC courthouse grant, the grant is reimbursable with a match allocated for Douglas County at 40%.

H. Commissioner Straub provided an update regarding the Opioid Settlement grant, the Interlocal agreement has been finalized, the agreement will formulate the Opioid Abatement Council with the Chelan, Douglas, Grant and Okanogan Counties along with the Cities of East Wenatchee, Wenatchee, and Moses Lake. The agreement will be presented for Board adoption tomorrow.

VI. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Steinburg made a blanket motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

1) Out of State Travel Authorization-WSU Extension

Margaret Viebrock

2) Correspondence

With no further business, the Board Chairman called to recess the meeting at 11:45 PM, and will resume again on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at the Douglas County Public Service Building in East Wenatchee, Washington.

JUNE 13, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Commissioners Chamber Waterville, Washington. Commissioners Sutton, Steinburg, Straub and the Risk and Records Manager Tiana Rowland were present. County Administrator Jordyn Giulio and Civil Prosecuting Attorney James Mitchell were in attendance.

I. 09:59 AM Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order.

II. 09:59 AM Public Comments.

A. Mr. Robert Revees provided comment opposing the VZS application.

III. 10:00 AM Bid Opening

A. Bids were open for Resolution CE 23-21A Request for Qualification Solid Waste and Moderate Risk Waste Management Plan Update and Residential Use HHW Facility. The Board received two Requests for Qualifications. Staff will review the statements and provide a recommendation next week.

Company:

- HDR
- Herrera

IV. 10:05 AM Public Hearing

Resolution TLS 23-34A

Following is a summary of the public hearing; and action taken by the Board of Commissioners. The summary is not intended to be a verbatim transcript. A recording of the hearing is available by contacting the Clerk of the Board.

Present

**Staff Present: Aaron Simmons, Perry Huston, James Mitchell, Jordyn Giulio
Public Present: Jeff Hamilton, Ron Carstensen, Derene Carstensen, Robert Reaves, Jeff Rowbtham, Gayle Rowbotham, Rachel Peterson, Dee Miller, JoAnne Little, Hank Lewis, Kathy Hager, Brian Hager, David Dufenhost, Jan Bromiley, Tricia Maben, LaRhonda Kinzebach, Bill Grimes.**

Zoom Attendees: Teresa, Scott Painter, Lori Brennan, JoAnne Wright, Don Zender, Brandon Mauseth, Peggy Rice, Zoom User, 425-533-6830.

Staff Report, Principal Planner Tanner Ackley and Interim Land Services Director Perry Huston:

Overview of the quasi-judicial process with the Planning Commission, Mr. Huston requested if the Board would like to declare any ex parte communication with the Board. Chairman Sutton requested if Mr. Straub has had any contact with regard to the Comprehensive Plan Rezoning applications; Commissioner Straub provided contact with a constituent requesting when the public hearings will be occurring, only the date and time of the meeting was discussed. The Fraley Ranch LLC application was identified by Mr. Steinburg as an application he was involved with privately he will abstain from voting on this project.

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Tanner Ackley provided an over view of the following: Resolution TLS 23-34A to Consider Recommendations of the Douglas County Regional Planning Commission Regarding Adoption of the Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments for 2022.

- CRPZ-2022-01 Request for rezoning from low residential to medium residential density. The Planning Commission provided a recommendation of approval for the application.

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the application and uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

- CRPZ-2022-02 Request for rezoning from medium residential to high density/office density. The Planning Commission provided a recommendation of approval for the application.

Motion:

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the application and uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission; Commissioner Steinburg seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

- CRPZ-2022-03 Request for rezoning from Rural Resource 5 to Rural Resource Center. Summary of the comments received from the Planning Commission Hearings. The Planning Commission provided a recommendation of approval pending the development agreement restricting the lot size and development restrictions for the application.

Public Comment:

- Bill Grimes-SCJ Alliance provided an overview of the Planning Commission process and cooperative efforts with adjacent property owners to address their concerns as well as meet the development needs to achieve the RSC designation.
- David Dufenhorst, Applicant- Provided comment in favor of the application citing the development plan and efforts to restore the property as well as the infrastructure improvements.
- Don Zender, Property Owner provided comments in favor of the application stating the infrastructure improvements to the community and the value it has brought to the community.
- Kathy Hager-Provided comments opposed to the program
- Benjamin Serr, Department of Commerce provided comments opposing the application and stating this zoning amendment would develop additional lamirds in conflict of the Growth Management Act.

Public Comment Closed and Commissioner Deliberation

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Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to continue the hearing until July 11, 2023 for the development agreement to be reviewed by the Board of Commissioners; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

- CRPZ-2022-05 Request for rezoning from low residential to medium residential density. The Planning Commission provided a recommendation of approval for the application.

Public Comment:

- Hank Lewis- provided comments in favor of the application.

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the application and uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

- CRPZ-2022-06 Request for rezoning from 22 acres low residential to 15 acres medium residential and 7 acres general commercial density. The Planning Commission provided a recommendation of denial for the application.

Public Comment:

- Hank Lewis- provided comments in favor of the application stating the long range planning needed for the Fancher Heights area.
- Rachel Peterson-provided comments opposing the proposed commercial zoning location. Concerns were raised regarding the safety issues additional commercial zoning will bring.
- Gale Botham- provided comments opposing the application. Stating road infrastructure is lacking for the area.

Public Comment Closed and Commissioner Deliberation

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to deny the application and encourage the applicant to reapply with the removal of the general commercial component; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

Commissioner Steinburg abstained from voting and left the bench.

- CRPZ-2022-07 Request for rezoning from medium residential to high density/office density. The Planning Commission provided a recommendation of approval for the application.

Public Comment:

- Bill Grimes-SCJ Alliance provided comments in favor of the application

Motion:

Commissioner Straub moved to approve the application and uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion and concurred.

V. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Steinburg made a blanket motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

1) Interlocal Agreement formation of Opioid Abatement Council

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the interlocal agreement with the Cities of East Wenatchee, Wenatchee, Moses Lake, Chelan, Douglas, Grant and Okanogan Counties for the formation of the Opioid Abatement Council; Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and Commissioner Sutton concurred.

2) Settlement Participation Agreement

Washington State Attorney General

- a. Teva Settlement Form
- b. Walgreens Settlement Form
- c. Walmart Settlement Form
- d. CVS Settlement Form
- e. Allergan Settlement Form

3) Notice on the Voluntary Stewardship Program Agreement Renewal Conservation Commission.

4) Letter of Approval for Twin W Irrigation District for CS4-26143C

5) Approved Vouchers

		Check Numbers	Total Amount
1.	Vouchers	00367656-0037786	\$951,288.38
2.	ACH	80008077-80008079	\$1,796.63

With no further business, the Board of County Commissioners recessed at 12:12 PM to meet again on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at the Douglas County Courthouse, Waterville, Washington.

JUNE 14, 2023

There were no appointments scheduled, no session was held. There being no further business, the Risk and Records Manager Tiana Rowland in accordance with RCW 42.30.90 adjourned for the Board of County Commissioners to meet again on Monday, June 19, 2023 at the Douglas County Public Services Building, East Wenatchee, Washington.

The minutes are hereby read and approved.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Dan Sutton Chair



Kyle Steinburg Vice-Chair



Marc S. Straub Member

ATTEST:



Tiana Rowland, Records and Risk Manager