

Payette Comp Plan Meeting #16 Notes

From March 8th, 2018

Attending –Committee members Markita Williams, Jessica Lowry, John Daniel Lopez, and Tim Gerdes. Staff: Mairel Rodriguez, Jerome Mapp, Laura Alvarez Schrag, Jim Birdsall, and Dick Gardner.

Welcome and Introductions: Jim opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Mairel explained that several members could not make the meeting.

Dick explained that the purposes of today's meeting were then to conduct quick reviews of the changes made and yet to come for the School Facilities and Transportation, and Community Design second draft comprehensive plan chapters, and to do the first review of the Land Use chapter. Gardner noted that the draft chapters, especially the first drafts, contain numerous grammatical errors that will be fixed by our copy editor, Eberle Umbach. We will not focus on grammar here. The School Facilities and Transportation Chapter was reviewed first.

New Chapters

Chapter 12, School Facilities and Transportation

- P. 4 - Added language about eligibility for reduced price school lunches, which is a measure of poverty.
- P. 5 - Added a section on home-schooled children in Payette.
- P. 7 - The buildings and facilities map was reviewed.
- P. 9 – Goal 4 language was reviewed regarding collaboration with the District. Re-write about the City reaching out to Schools regarding cooperation.

Community Design

- P. 5 – The Payette Greenway is currently under development.
- P. 10 – Note there is just one Goal and 14 Objectives. This was purposeful to keep the focus on the Goal of improving the physical appearance and image of Payette.

Land Use

- The new aerial photos taken for this project were reviewed in depth. The group agreed they aided understanding of airport development.
 - There is some potential residential development areas near the golf course, but there was concern about some locations being too close to air traffic.
- There were questions about projected housing growth (1,484 additional units through 2045) (**Inaccurately reported in the meeting to be 11,000 units**)
- There was a general question by some regarding the validity of the airport being an attraction for re-location to Payette. Staff explained it required thinking through the perspective of an airplane owner.
- Some noted that Payette can attract people for re-location from the more urban areas of the Treasure Valley.

- P. 5 – Payette Greenway – There was a question regarding maintaining security along the Greenway. Payette needs a mutual aid agreement with the County as a strategy to promote the Greenway and increase public safety.
- P. 5 – What does Development Reserve mean exactly? There should never be development of this land as it is prime farmland and exists within a floodplain. (*Jerome will find out.*)
- P. 6 – Need staff answer to why City has a policy of not expanding city services beyond city limit.
- 2045 housing projection of 4,653 housing units within Payette City by 2045, means that an average of 49 housing units per year would need to be built. Is this feasible? Mairel, and later Mary Cordova, reported that it is larger than recent history of about 30 units, but seems possible.
- P. 6 – second bullet point, change wording *To help discourage non-agricultural development in prime agricultural lands,*
- Why is the Washoe District within the impact area? It should never be developed.
- Why is the city priority to extend water and sewer to the airport and golf course?
- Need to develop a Central Business District (CBD) Plan.

Economic Development Chapter

- *Please do a quick review of the Goals in the Economic Development Strategy document as preparation for the next meeting.*

Next Steps – The group discussed how to get the entire draft comp plan for review. *The group decided that getting the plan on a CD or memory stick would be best.* Laura will also finalize the separate document that just lists Goals and Action Strategies by chapter. This is the simplified set of actions that we are recommending the City implement. *The group accepted the dates of the last two Advisory Committee meetings. Mairel will do her best to improve attendance.* There may be additional requests to attend the public hearing process.

Future Meetings –

Meeting #17, Thursday, April 12, 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Review Draft Chap 4 Economic Development
Goals, Objectives and Strategies Review (Round 1)

Meeting #18, Thursday, May 10, 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Final Plan Review & Crosswalk of Chapters
Finish Goals, Objectives and Strategies Review (Round 2)
How to Use This Plan
Recommend Comp Plan for Approval

Meeting #16 was adjourned at 3:30.