

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

September 8, 2008

7:00 P.M.

DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE (DP&Z)

- RE: 1) Environmental and Sustainability Initiatives – Draft Report
 2) Prospect Avenue SSA and City Boundaries (Proposed Sewer and Water
 Improvements)
 3) Other Business

Committee Members Present: Rose, Leader, Gutenkauf

City Staff Present: Said, Spiroff, Streicher (part time)

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Committee began discussion of item #1, Environmental and Sustainability Initiatives – Draft Report and Policy. The Committee agreed that it is important to update the report, but more important to update the policy on sustainability. Chairman Rose stated that she spent a lot of time reviewing the draft policy and believes that it is important to implement, monitor and evaluate the policy going forward. The Committee agreed and after much discussion of the policy and procedures and the role of City Council and City staff, they decided to work on additional development of the policy document and continue discussion to the next regularly scheduled committee meeting on September 22nd.

The Committee then began their discussion of the Prospect Avenue annexation. Assistant City Attorney Spiroff provided background on this issue. Out of the 17 homes in the area currently on well and septic, 14 would like to be annexed and receive City sewer and water through a special service area. The City Attorney reported that of the remaining three property owners, two are reconsidering annexation and the heir of the last one has since died, leaving current ownership unclear. After much discussion, including the cost to the homeowners, it was agreed that it makes sense to annex these homes from a planning and SSA perspective. The Committee asked for an update on the status of the property owners' decisions regarding annexation at the next regularly scheduled committee meeting on September 22nd before moving forward on annexation.

Under Other Business, the Committee discussed the Comprehensive Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Submitted by: John D. Said, Director of Planning, Zoning and Economic Development