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CASHMERE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021
5:00 P.M.

AGENDA

THE PUBLIC CAN ATTEND IN PERSON, CALL-IN OR LOG-IN TO ZOOM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING. PLEASE CALL-IN OR LOGIN 5 MINUTES PRIOR TO MEETING.

To Join the Meeting Go To: <https://zoom.us>
Meeting ID: 882 719 9871 Passcode: 788276
Audio Only: PH# 1-(253)-215-8782

CALL TO ORDER:

ATTENDANCE:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of November 1, 2021 meetings minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION:

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan
2. Lagoon Development
3. Topics for next meeting

ADJOURNMENT:

TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL, PLEASE BE RECOGNIZED BY THE MAYOR AND STATE YOUR NAME WHEN YOU BEGIN YOUR COMMENTS
Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodations provided upon request (48-hour notice required)

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2021 5:00 PM

OPENING

The meeting began at 5:07 PM and Croci recorded the meeting minutes.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Board:	Maureen Lewison Paul Kinser Kirk Esmond Paul Nelson	Matthew Walgren Charlie Cruickshank

Staff: Director of Operations, Steve Croci
Perteet Inc, Christina Wollman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Minutes from May 3 and June 7 were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE Nothing new to report.

ANNOUNCEMENT & INFORMATION

City Council approved an ordinance for a code change which will allow ADUs in multifamily zones only, most other recommendations by the Planning Commission were incorporated into the new code.

The water main on West Pleasant Street will be replaced to accommodate future growth including multi-family development.

Developers are moving forward and hope to break ground this spring for residential development in the orchards off Olive Street.

AGENDA ITEMS

1) Parks Plan –

The PC wants to identify and engage citizens, potential partners and interest groups like the School District, rafting community, sports organizations (soccer, baseball, football, etc.), and students to develop the Parks, Recreation and Open Space plan (PROS). Solicitation for input needs to be multi-faceted including public meetings and online surveys. The former lagoon property should be part of the PROS plan; however, a separate redevelopment plan will be necessary for the lagoon property. Pathways/trails are important to incorporate, and consistency with Chelan County Multi-Use Pathways Plan should be considered. For the next meeting Staff will develop a pathway forward for completing the PROS plan and a Lagoon Redevelopment Plan in 2021.

Meeting adjourned by 6:17 PM.

Summary Report of January 2019 Community Forum

All comments received at the forum as well as submitted by email have been reviewed. Comments are grouped into common topic areas, consolidated to provide a method to consider public comments as the City considers land use growth, infrastructure development and budget needs.

Many of the comments have been considered in the 2019 update Cashmere's Comprehensive plan which is now available for public review. Comments will now be used to help determine what or if updates are needed to city zoning codes, plans for future park facilities, transportation projects and economic development.

Economic Development:

Comments indicate a strong interest to encourage business development specifically in the downtown area. Working with the Chamber and businesses to increase local customers, employees, and available business resources so new business owners choose to be in Cashmere.

- Suggestions for new business included a hotel, brew pub, bike shop, art galleries, more business things other than restaurants, places that create experiences
- Recommended marketing to create a city entrance archway, signs, a fruit box label theme, agri-tourism, outdoor recreation attractions, hiking guides to local trails and help market downtown business.
- Other topics: support businesses with mentoring; do something with empty downtown store fronts. make downtown more inviting, provide incentives, light industrial, discount prices, public restrooms downtown,
- Build tax base

Parks & Recreation:

Ideas for new or expanded park facilities will be considered when updating park plans and budgets for park improvements. The City will seek grants for new facilities and partnerships with other agencies or private business. All park improvements must be able to operate and maintain facilities within existing revenues.

- Along the Wenatchee River: White water park, boat launch, kids fishing pond
- Sports fields: disc golf, volleyball courts, climbing wall, Futsal field
- General park facilities: Picnic sites, playgrounds, splash pad, equipment for older kids, shade at skate park, dog park,
- Trails: hills around town, trails along river, be part of bike route Wenatchee to Leavenworth, pedestrian/bike bridge across Wenatchee River to Monitor Road
- City pool: cover for year around swimming

Environmental:

Expressed ideas as part of the quality of the environment in and around Cashmere may be accomplished by preserving existing sites or by enhancing sites that have been impacted by other developments.

- Habitat conservation along river, birdwatching area.
- Move levees along old sewage lagoons, river access, salmon habitat, kids fishing area
- Brender Creek habitat area (Port property and old Shotwell ditch) trails, birding.

Housing:

A mixed discussion of increasing housing yet protecting a small-town attribute. These ideas are not easily defined as specific activities. This information will be of help in reviewing Cashmere's existing zoning codes relative to availability of a variety of housing types and densities of future residential developments. Both the Planning Commission and City Council will have additional public meetings and hearings on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and any proposals to change existing zoning codes.

- Define affordable housing for Cashmere
- Zoning codes standards for large lots or small lots, accessory dwelling units, air B&B, mixed use, apartments, high or low housing density
- Consistent land use permitting and answers, community sustainability efficient/maximize limited land availability, community buy in and activities
- Hard to find available land for multifamily or senior residential.
- How industrial activities impact residential areas

Quality of Life:

These comments can be consider as helping to explain the attributes that make Cashmere a special small community.

- Family town, safety for kids and elderly, stop gang activity/graffiti
- Historic assets, photos of old Cashmere, Museum
- Stay a small town, not like Leavenworth, preserve small town vibe, manage growth e.g. Snohomish vs. Monroe
- Industrial noise problems, Railroad stop the horn noise
- Include green space in developments

Transportation and Services:

Ideas for improving city streets, sidewalks and facilities.

- Sidewalks: Add sidewalks along Mission Creek Road, along Olive to Rank Road, W. Pleasant Ave. Tigner/Binder area. Stop parking that block sidewalks, fix sidewalks. Cross walks for schools
- Add Second floor to library
- Bring back brush dump
- Crews do a good job of maintaining parks & streets - hose sidewalks too early in season sometimes,
- Cashmere Pride - have residences sweep sidewalks
- A City Police Department
- More parking downtown and along Mission Street
- Reopen Angier St. bridge
- Fix Cotlets-Titchenal-Hwy 2 intersection mess, round about?
- Alternate route around S. Division from Pioneer to Sunset
- Traffic enforcement
- New LED lights are too bright

Employee Meeting – January 15, 2019

Bio Solids Management

Dredge river

Water Park

BVF future use

Lodging – Motels

City staffing to adjust to changes

Casino

Snow removal in new developments with cul-de-sacs

City Police Department

City Garbage Service

Relax VRBO and B&B regulations

Boat launch improvements

South Douglas – pave, sewer, water, fire

Consolidate City offices and utility buildings

More businesses

Food truck festival – live music – merge with Founders Days and Apple Days

Buy local

Marijuana business next to WW plant

Tourist business

New Zealand sprint boats at lagoons (pond with maze)

Hire a community development firm

ATV park

Work with Forest Service to be recreation hub

RV park

Remote control track

Mobile food and pot trucks at parks