

**MOSES LAKE PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting on January 30, 2020**

Commissioners Present: Chair Nathan Nofziger, Vice-Chair Charles Hepburn, Commissioners, Gary Mann, Don Schmig, Commissioner, Roderick Davis.

Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Davis	A P											
Hepburn	P P											
Mann	P P											
Nofziger	P P											
Schmig	P P											

P = Present E = Excused A = Absent C = Canceled

Staff Present: Community Development Director, Kris Robbins; Associate Planner, Vivian Ramsey, Secretary, Jovita Cantu.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary Jovita Cantu called roll. Everyone was present.

Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes for December 12, 2019 and January 16, 2020

Community Development Director Kris Robbins confirmed that the previous minutes reflected the motion to approve Cox motion. It was seconded with two nay votes so it stood as an approved request.

Action: Commissioner Davis motioned to un-table the consent agenda from the 12th of January. Seconded, motion carried unanimously. A separate motion was made to amend the previous statement consent agenda from the 12th to include the previous consent agenda (January 16) as well.

Poth Major Plat Final Approval:

Associate Planner Vivian Ramsey stated they received the application to finalize the plat and mentioned that it was previously approved with certain conditions and there no objections from utility providers. Development engineers submitted comments, and the MDNS was reviewed. They can approve provided the conditions are met.

Community Development Director Robbins mentioned that all of the items noted have to be completed, bonded for and/or paid for in order for them to file and sign the mylar. However, if the bonds and fees paid for there is a benefit of the final plat; they can become legal lots and then he can sale them and then he can make the improvements.

Action:

A motion was made by Commissioner Mann to approve the final plat with staff recommendations one-five. Seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Code Amendments:

Community Development Director, Kris Robbins, spoke about Title 17 amendments and how there have been multiple requests for plat extensions. The current code states you cannot keep coming back for extensions.

To help fix the problems and allow plat extensions, the Council has requested to make amendment to Title 17 that will clarify the extensions that are available. There will be no limitations and the Council has the prerogative in their ordinance to determine how many extensions they want to grant.

The only provision they are looking to change is 17.12.100 in regards to expiration. It allows the ability for the Community Development Director to approve up to a three year extension. The extension can be conditioned based on comments. Anything after that first request has to be submitted to Council.

Commissioners expressed concern stepping into litigation with regards to terms of vested interest.

Community Development Director Robbins stated that multiple codes are being modified at this time. She has been having lots of meetings with the City Manager as she just started this week.

Questions/Comments:

Commissioner Mann asked what the proper procedure was for the fire department or any capital facilities with regards to additional things that need to be done down the road?

Community Development Director Robbins responded that within the comprehensive plan the capital facilities portion is your budgeting tool and it is reviewed and updated on an annual basis. They are within that range. Those elements are important to rate studies and impact fees. There is not a lot of information within the capital facilities plan that the departments looked at when they were talking about levels of service and levels of service are what determine your needs.

Commissioner Schmig commented on the zoning on Highway 17 and Grape, the easement was executed on Burley Estate on Nelson Road and that the Welcome Center was moving in to the old museum.

Community Development Director Robbins stated that staff and Chief Fuhre (acting City Manager) approached our state legislature about funding to extend Yonezawa across Highway 17 turning into Moses Lake Blvd that goes North to where the school is. The improvements at the Mae Valley Laguna have also gone to the state legislature. Residents will be impacted in the way that they circulate.

They had a meeting a week ago with the intent that Commissioners and Council will support staff working on a scope of work and a needs analysis and the roles of each of the different entities.

Earlier, Commissioner Schmig had given everyone a copy of an article he found online. He stated that we need to start thinking about how Moses Lake is growing. We have Ubers, Walmart Online Shopping and Transit so with no need for parking, the developers can develop more land and use less space for parking.

Community Development Director Robbins asked that as everyone thinks of things that are regarding zoning impacts to please jot them down so that we can discuss them.

Commissioner Roderick mentioned his concern for Yonezawa Boulevard as it exists. He stated that road engineers should be looking at turn lanes and stop lights. He also asked about the landscaping bonds for Wendy's and Denny's.

Community Development Director Robbins confirmed that they have been completed and all of the bonds have been signed off. She also mentioned that the Hospital will be bringing in Boundary Line Adjustments and a Conditional Use Permit. They have had a couple pre-application meetings and are waiting for drawings to come in.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM

Chair, Nathan Nofziger