

TOLEDO PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Toledo Planning Commission was called to order at 6:30 pm by Vice President Cora Warfield. Commissioners present: Jonathan Mix, Ruthanne Morris, Terri Neimann, Ricky Dyson, and Brian Lundgren. Excused was President Anne Learned-Ellis.

Staff present: Contract Planner (CP) Justin Peterson, City Manager (CM) Judy Richter, City Attorney (CA) Mike Adams, and Secretary Arlene Inukai.

VISITORS: None

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 12, 2022, MINUTES:

Corrections were noted to Page 1, Paragraph 5 to correct "updated" to "update". It was moved and seconded (Mix/Morris) to approve the January 12, 2022, minutes as circulated and corrected by the Planning Commission. The **motion passed** unanimously, noting the absence of Learned-Ellis.

DISCUSSION ITEM: COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN REVIEW:

CP Peterson reviewed the updates that have occurred to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Comp Plan) over the last few years. Several chapters are still in need of review and some must wait until studies are completed. In reviewing the various chapters, CP Peterson noted that the Natural Hazards chapter can include an updated Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan, but it references an older wetlands map. Commissioners discussed a wetlands study and if new data is available for updates. A Housing Needs Analysis and Estuary Management Plan have also begun. In answer to Commissioner questions, CA Adams reviewed the State's wetland definition. The Comp Plan establishes the goals over a 20-year planning period and the last plan was adopted in 2001. The group reviewed the Goals and Objectives and process to move forward for adoptions. The City Council will need to approve the work plan and proposed timeline. It is expected that a community meeting will be needed to begin work for the visioning process.

DISCUSSION ITEM: HOUSING NEEDS ANALYSIS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

CP Peterson asked if additional members are able to participate in the Housing Needs Analysis advisory committee. At the last meeting, Commissioner Dyson volunteered on the advisory committee, but the consultants would like to see two members. Recently, Commissioner Neimann's name was provided as second member on the advisory committee. After discussion, Commissioner Neimann declined the role, due to time constraints. CP Peterson reviewed the meeting schedule, which includes five meetings between April and October, 2022. Commissioners can provide staff with potential members.

DISCUSSION ITEM: FUTURE MEETING LOCATION:

The City Hall Council Chambers had technology upgrades for electronic meetings and is available for future meetings. Staff asked if Commissioners wish to go back to meeting at City Hall or to stay at Toledo Fire Department. Several expressed no preference, but two Commissioners would like to have meetings at City Hall again.

DISCUSSION ITEM: UPDATES AND REPORTS:

CP Peterson provided an update on the Safe Routes to School grant program. The consultants are wrapping up the project and a plan should be available for review next month. The recommendation will lead to the ability to apply for construction grants. At this time, the discussion has been to provide feedback speed signs, sidewalks from Chedester to 10th Street, on-campus improvements, and crosswalk striping. There is a local match for the construction grant. Commissioners discussed the ability to provide a bike lane to the north to the high school and the pedestrian link to East Slope Road. CA Adams noted there are some funds available for the East Slope pedestrian link and a bridge was constructed. However, there is a lot of work that still needs addressed to complete this project.

Discussion was held on the new apartment building's proposed street improvements along Sturdevant Road. It was noted that there could be some widening and guardrail work at the development site.

STAFF COMMENTS:

In answer to Vice President Warfield's question, CA Adams noted that he has been on military leave for four years, nine months.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Vice President Warfield reported that the Estuary Management advisory committee will be meeting on February 24th.

It was noted that President Learned-Ellis was away tonight because of a family illness.

Commissioners welcomed CA Adams back to the City.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Secretary

Vice President