

McCALL AREA
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
Minutes (Special Meeting)
March 15, 2010 – 5:30 p.m.
McCall City Hall – Lower Level
216 East Park Street, McCall, ID 83638

COMMISSION MEETING – Begins at 5:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Feinberg called the meeting to order. Staff called roll. Commissioners Corder, Russell, Jessup, Betts, Spencer, and Chairman Feinberg were present

2. NEW BUSINESS

DR-10-04

Pine Street, Mill Street, and Fir Street
McCall Urban Renewal Agency

City Staff representing the McCall Urban Renewal Agency: A Design Review application for numerous street upgrades to various streets and parking facilities in the URA district.

Chairman Feinberg opened the public hearing, so that attendees could comment throughout the presentation.

Nathan Clever presented the plans. He noted that circulation was not a part of the current discussion, but would be a part of a future discussion. He explained the scope of the project, noting the major rights-of-way that would be affected by the improvements.

Mr. Cleaver further explained the details of each portion of the project, including sidewalk details, the extent of the improvements, and so forth. He also explained the way in which an Urban Renewal district operates regarding funding and/or taxation.

Commissioner Betts inquired about the circulation of Fir Street near Roosevelt Ave., specifically the crossing of one-way traffic with two-way traffic. He noted that individuals will likely want to turn the wrong direction down the one-way boat trailer lanes. Mr. Cleaver indicated that the Urban Renewal Agency had already discussed the Roosevelt Ave entrance and that a two-way option had been preferred.

Commissioner Jessup inquired about limitation of the discussion to non-circulation related issues. Staff explained a couple of reasons for constraining the discussion, including the fact that materials discussing circulation had not been prepared for the Commission, but that the Commission could discuss the circulation.

Commissioner Russell inquired about the center-lane, through-traffic lane on Fir Street. Mr. Cleaver noted that a boat ambassador would be present, to regulate traffic, during peak usage.

Commissioner Spencer inquired about whether the medians in the parking lot would be planted. Mr. Cleaver explained that they would be planted.

Commissioner Jessup inquired as to whether the new sidewalks would be cleared during the winter. Mr. Cleaver indicated that the question had not been posed to the Public Works Department.

Chairman Feinberg indicated that some new, existing sidewalks were not weathering the winter well and that attention should be paid to making sure that they were well constructed. Mr. Cleaver and Commissioner Spencer indicated that the cement mixture determined durability and would be accounted for.

Mr. Cleaver discussed the business parking on Pine Street. Travis Hatfield, owner of the Gravity Sports building, indicated that he would like to retain the two entrances into his parking lot. Mr. Cleaver indicated that his recommendation, for congestion reasons, was to only have a single access point.

Mr. Cleaver introduced the Mill Street improvements. Commissioner Feinberg noted that there is an existing structure in the Mill Street right-of-way, but that the owner could be approached to negotiate the removal of the structure.

Commissioner Feinberg inquired about the Urban Renewal Agency's funds. Robert Youde, of the Agency, indicated that sufficient funds existed to do a large portion of the proposed projects, but that ultimate construction would be dependent on bidding.

Commissioner Spencer noted the alignment and grade of the parking lot into Fir Street, indicating that it would be a major source of pollutants to the Lake. She inquired about any design attempting to intercept these pollutants. Mr. Cleaver indicated that there would be a valley gutter at the western edge of the boat trailer parking on the Fir Street right-of-way, to divert runoff into existing facilities.

Commissioner Corder inquired about which portions of the presentation were actually to be constructed this coming summer. Mr. Cleaver provided an overview of the previously presented improvements.

Mr. Hatfield reiterated his concern about the limiting of his access to only a single point.

Commissioner Spencer inquired about the sidewalk within the parking lot, indicating that it may create pedestrian/vehicle conflicts. Various individuals explained the reasoning behind the design.

David Carey, 1101 E. Lake Street, inquired about whether or not the design of the southeast corner of Pine Street and E. Lake Street is included in any motion. Rick Fereday, chairman of the Urban Renewal Agency, indicated that this portion of the presented design would be included in the motion.

The Commission discussed what elements of the plan would be fixed, and decided upon, as a result of the Commission's motion.

Chairman Feinberg, hearing no further comments, closed the public hearing.

Chairman Feinberg offered a motion to approve the roads, sidewalks, parking lot, and landscaping medians, as presented on the concept plan, with any issues regarding the property owners on Pine Street to be worked out with Staff. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. ADJOURNMENT


Chairman Feinberg adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Signed: April 6, 2010

Attest:



Phil Feinberg
Chairman P&Z Commission



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