



Airport Technical Advisory Committee
Commissioners' Hearing Room
June 6, 2012
9:00 am

Those in attendance: Ed Jeffko, Albert Losvar, Roy Skelton, Leroy Orr, Chris Branch, Ralph Malone, Kurt Danison, and Jim Detro.

Okanogan County Planning staff present: Director of Planning Perry Huston and Planner 1 Dalana Potter.

The meeting was called to order by Perry Huston, Okanogan County Director of Planning and Development.

Director Huston opened the meeting with a quick review of the agenda.

Director Huston explained the status of the Moratorium that went to the Board of County Commissioners May 21, 2012 at 10:00 am. The Commissioners had appealed the Moratorium based on the facts presented by Civil Deputy Steve ---. He stated that its defense was weak. Anyone could argueable combat on the grounds that it restricted property owners' ability to use the land. This would lead to an unnecessary feasibility report, as well as result in creating a race for lot creations and the vesting of projects adjacent to airport property, hostile relationship with the public, and would not be a positive way to introduce the Airport Zone Code. The conclusion was that a moratorium would cause more harm than good.

Following Moratorium discussion, the committee outlined the ideal projected process for adopting the Airport Zone Code Amendment:

1. Amend each of the seven airport maps.
2. Revise Zone Code based upon information generated by the Airport Technical Advisory Committee and address maps applicably.
3. SEPA Review and notifications.
4. Public City workshops which will result in official recommendations to County of the adoption of the Airport Zone Code Amendments and staff reports as supplementary support.
5. Public Hearing.
6. Board of Commissioners' review.

The Airport Technical Advisory Committee thought City outreach would be the best way to educated the public and therefore gain the most support for this effort.

In regards to technicalities of the Airport Protection Zone Code, the Committee had several significant recommendations. Firstly, airport and government facilities should be allowed in

Zones 1 and 3. Secondly, we need to gain more representation from city officials, airport managers, WSDOT, and the Smokejumpers. This would allow more support and valuable input that may be lacking. Thirdly, each airport should be adopted independently in order to ensure the smoothest and swiftest process possible.

The next meeting was set for June 20th, 2012 and the agenda was discussed:

- Review tailored maps and edited Zone Code.
- Address specific portions of the Airport Protection Zone Code including definitions, zones, and also permitted, conditional, and prohibited uses.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully submitted
Dalana Potter
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