

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2022
Time: 6:00 PM
Location: Hybrid - In-Person: Hearing Room 1st Floor, 200 West Oak Street, Fort Collins or Virtual, Zoom Link: https://larimer-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1tLG_HhqSaO-rfyYWW1H2Q

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

The Larimer County Planning Commission met in a session on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room as well as virtual video. Commissioners Gary Green attended virtually. Commissioners John Barnett, Sean Dougherty, Patrick Rowe, Jon Slutsky, and Conor Duffy physically attended with Commissioner John Barnett presiding as Chairman. The Larimer County staff that virtually attended were Lea Schneider, Environmental Health Planner; Traci Shambo, Senior Civil Engineer; Laurie Clark, Civil Engineer II; and Heidi Pruess, Climate Smart Program Manager. The Larimer County staff that physically attended were Don Threewitt, Planning Manager; Tracy Hicks, Planner II; Doug May, Planner II and Christina Scrutchins, Recording Secretary.

COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE COUNTY LAND USE CODE OR REGARDING OTHER RELEVANT LAND USE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA OR FUTURE PROPOSALS

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 22, 2022, PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING

MOTION by Commissioner Dougherty to approve the minutes.

Commissioner Slutsky seconded the motion.

This received unanimous voice approval.

Motion passed 6-0

AMMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Commissioner Dougherty recommended the agenda to be arranged as followed:

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Public Comment on the County Land Use Code or Regarding Relevant Land Use Matters not on the Agenda or Future Proposals
- Approval of Minutes
- Amendments to the Agenda
- Items Tabled to October 19, 2022
- Consent Items
- Items Tabled from July 20, 2022
- Discussion Items (Addendum Item)
- Reports From Staff
- Adjourn

ITEMS TABLED TO OCTOBER 19, 2022

ITEM NO. 1 – CYO AMENDED SPECIAL EXCEPTION, FILE NO. 22-ZONE3204:

MOTION by Commissioner Dougherty to table the CYO Amended Special Exception, File No. 22-ZONE3204 to October 19, 2022.

Commissioner Duffy seconded the motion.

This received unanimous voice approval.

Motion passed 6-0

CONSENT ITEMS

ITEM No. 1 – CSU USDA BIOARCHIVE FACILITY LOCATION AND EXTENT, FILE NO. 21-ZONE3325:

Ms. Hicks gave a brief presentation regarding the applicants' request for a Location and Extent Review for CSU Foothills Campus USDA at the National Wildlife Research Center for a BioArchive Storage (BAS) Warehouse. The new facility will provide a support space to adequately and properly store biological samples that will be collected by the USDA and collaborative partnerships, increasing overall research opportunities. Ms. Hicks closed the presentation with additional comments, review criteria, the summary of the Development Review Teams Findings and Development Services Team Recommendations.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MOTION

Commissioner Dougherty moved that the Planning Commission adopt the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Commission approve the CSU USDA BioArchive Facility Location and Extent, File No. 21-ZONE3325.

Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion.

VOTE

Commissioner Slutsky, Rowe, Dougherty, Duffy, Green, and Chair Barnett voted in favor of the motion.

Motion passed 6-0

ITEMS TABLED FROM JULY 20, 2022

ITEM NO. 1 – ELECTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, AND SECRETARY:

MOTION FOR CHAIR

MOTION by Commissioner Dougherty to nominate Commissioner Best Johnson.

Commissioner Green seconded the motion.

This received unanimous voice approval.

Motion passed 6-0

MOTION FOR VICE CHAIR

MOTION by Commissioner Rowe to nominate Commissioner Dougherty.

Commissioner Duffy seconded the motion.

This received unanimous voice approval.

Motion passed 6-0

MOTION FOR SECRETARY

MOTION by Commissioner Dougherty to nominate Commissioner Barnett.

Commissioner Green seconded the motion.

This received unanimous voice approval.

Motion passed 6-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM No. 1 – CLIMATE SMART AND FUTURE READY MEMBER:

Ms. Pruess gave a brief presentation of the background regarding the Board of County Commissioners adoption of the Climate Smart Initiative that will be a three-phase process. The first phase was creating a framework that was developed by staff, the second phase was gathering public feedback, and the third and final phase is to develop the action plan. The initiative will have four focus areas throughout the three-year phase process. Area one will focus on built environment for waste and energy. Area two will focus on mobility for delivery of goods and digital services. Area three will focus on natural environment for wildlife, agriculture, and water issues. Area four will focus on well-being and resiliency for air quality, water quality, and disaster preparedness. Ms. Preuss closed the presentation with additional comments and information that the Planning Commission would need to identify a member and an alternate member that can participate in the work groups throughout the last phase of the Climate Smart Initiative.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

The Planning Commission nominated Commissioner Barrack and Chair Barnett as the identified member to participate in the work groups throughout the last phase of the Climate Smart Initiative.

REPORT FROM STAFF

Mr. Threewitt informed the Planning Commission of the APA Colorado Conference that will take place on September 28th through the 30th, 2022.

ADJOURN

With there being no further business, the hearing adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

These minutes constitute the Resolution of the Larimer County Planning Commission for the recommendations contained herein which are hereby certified to the Larimer County Board of Commissioners.