

REVISED
LA PINE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA
Wednesday June 19, 2013
6:00 PM
City Hall
16345 Sixth St, La Pine, Oregon 97739

1. Call to Order
2. Establish Quorum
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Added Agenda Items
Any matters added to the agenda at this time will be discussed during the “Other Matters” portion of this Agenda.
5. Public Comments
6. Approval of Meeting Minutes
7. Industrial Lands and Public Facilities that Serve Them or Not
- Deborah McMahon, DMC Consulting
8. Other Matters
Only those matters properly added to this Agenda under line item No. 4
9. Planning Commissioner Comments
10. Adjourn

Pursuant to ORS 192.640, this notice includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered or discussed at the above-referenced meeting. This notice does not limit the ability of the Planning Commission to consider or discuss additional subjects. The meeting is subject to cancellation without notice. The meeting is open to the public and interested citizens are invited to attend. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting Patti Morgan at (541) 536-1432.

7. Industrial Lands and Public Facilities that Serve Them or Not
- Deborah McMahon, DMC Consulting

Deborah McMahon, City Planning Consultant, discussed the need for adequate lands for economic development and specific to industrial land. Karen Swirsky, DLCD Representative, was also a participant in the discussion. Ms. McMahon said it is hard for La Pine to be competitive because it is outside of the Bend area. She said therefore La Pine has to be more competitive with pricing. Ms. Swirsky discussed her involvement in the Regional Solution Teams. She said it was determined that a large issue facing Central Oregon is a shortage of available industrial land. Ms. Swirsky said there may be up to \$2,000,000 available to apply for projects that accomplish the goal of resolving the availability of industrial land in the area. Ms. McMahon said that there are all kinds of things that can be done from a planning perspective to improve the inventories of available industrial land.

Interim City Manager Allen said that LED (La Pine Economic Development) will be hiring a half time person to handle marketing of the La Pine industrial lands. He said this person will concentrate on marketing, only. There was also a discussion on the proposed airport in La Pine. Interim City Manager Allen said that the airport was not likely to happen anytime in the future. Ms. McMahon said she expected to see health care businesses expand in La Pine as well as government agencies. She said those are the growth industries along with leisure. There was also a discussion about the railroad and the Industrial Park. At present the railroad will not stop in La Pine. Ms. Swirsky said that they wanted to see if there was something they could do around the railroad spur. She also said that she would explore site certification to make an industrial lot more appealing. Interim City Manager Allen also discussed the problems associated with so many home businesses in La Pine and how they need to be transitioned to the commercial/industrial lands.

8. Other Matters
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Chair Ward asked the City Manager and Planning Consultant as to what the mission was for land use issues that the Planning Commission is designed to address. Ms. McMahon said that the Commission is responsible for updating and reviewing and making sure that the specific policies (from the Comprehensive Plan) are implemented through the codes. She said the big issues will come to the Commission (like changing land use) but smaller issues (like a lot line adjustment) will go through the planning staff. There was also a discussion on the need for public involvement in planning decisions.

Interim City Manager Allen discussed the smokehouse in the Cagle neighborhood and also the remodeling work at the old Homestead Tavern building on Highway 97. He also discussed some code violations at a particular address and that the City had sent the landowner a letter and received a positive response to the request for clean-up at the site.

Deborah McMahon discussed the need for consistency when evaluating land uses in the City. She said home occupations should not be noticeable outside of the building. Interim City Manager Allen stated that the City will have codes to enforce by the first of next year. He said the City also needs a Nuisance Abatement Ordinance. There was also a discussion on people living in camp trailers on vacant land or living in a building that was not hooked up to sewer and water. Chair Ward mentioned how nice the Whispering Pines trailer park now looks since improvements have been made. Interim City Manager Allen discussed the RFQ (Request for Qualifications) that is being put out for planning services.

9. Planning Commissioner Comments

None

