

April 24, 2024

THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, met in a Joint Special Meeting in the Bell Building Second Floor Conference Room at 215 D Street. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:41 PM.

I. CALL TO ORDER

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mayor Johnson; Council President Kleeburg; Councilor Forsmann; Councilor Klein (5:40 p.m.); Councilor Schroeder.

COUNCILORS EXCUSED: Spickelmire; Liedkie.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cynthia Ball, Chair; Gabriel Iacoboni, Vice Chair; Kevin Kelly; Kathy Branson; Shaunita Cable; Emily Wolf

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Maureen Anderson.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Community Development Supervisor Ortiz read an email received from Noah Prescott into record, which was in support of the new Comprehensive Plan.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS ABOUT ENVISION LEWISTON 2044, LEWISTON'S DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

The Comprehensive Plan is a community-informed land use plan, required by the state, that offers guidance for decision-makers to best accommodate the challenges and opportunities associated with growth and quality of life. The Plan considers many facets of the community, including, but not limited to, land use, jobs, housing, transportation, recreation, community design, well-being, resiliency, and more.

City Planner Plaskon provided a brief history of the Comprehensive Plan process and introduced consultant Joe Moss from Logan Simpson.

Joe Moss, Planner at Logan Simpson, provided a presentation and verbal overview of the Comprehensive Plan process and phases. Mr. Moss informed Councilors and Commissioners of the next steps in the process, which consists of a final draft presented in May to the Planning & Zoning Commission, a public hearing at the City Council meeting in June and resolution at the City Council meeting in July at the City Council meetings.

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A. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

B. PROJECT OVERVIEW

C. DRAFT PLAN OVERVIEW

D. QUESTIONS

E. NEXT STEPS

V. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

A. PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Iacoboni commented that the Plan is a vision for what the City could look like in the future.

Commissioner Cable had some technical comments that she would provide to City Planner Plaskon, and that revitalizing the Waterfront would be a great goal.

Chair Ball requested a recap of the accomplishments of the 1999 Comprehensive Plan.

B. CITY COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Council President Kleeburg commented that the Waterfront Plan has not been followed up on like it should have, and the Plan is the big picture.

Councilor Schroeder asked clarifying questions about the priorities of the Plan and emphasized her desire to focus on the redevelopment of the Twin City Foods site. She further noted there should be a central focus in the Plan, as there are a lot of goals and objectives listed.

Councilor Forsmann commented that the Plan is a great starting point and having a direct focus would help, such as the Waterfront.

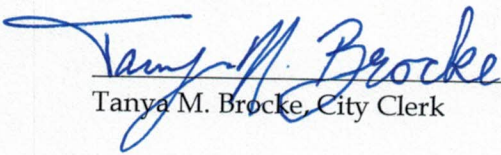
C. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Johnson commented that the Port of Lewiston should be viewed as a partner and could play a key role in the development of the water ways, and agreed with Chair Ball about property acquisition or disposal being a great opportunity to move forward.

VI. ADJOURNMENT - Action Item

There being no further business to come before the Lewiston City Council and Planning & Zoning Commission, Councilors Forsmann and Schroeder moved and seconded, respectively, to adjourn the April 24, 2024 Joint meeting. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.


Daniel G. Johnson, Mayor


Tanya M. Brocke, City Clerk

