

**ELMORE COUNTY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES
Wednesday October 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm**

Chairperson Patti Osborn called the meeting to order. Members of the Elmore County Planning and Zoning Commission present were Vice Chairman K.C. Duerig, Mitch Smith, Ed Oppedyk Sue Fish and Jeff Blanksma. Also, present were Attorney of Record Ralph Blount and staff members Director Mitra Mehta-Cooper, Joel Cruz-Haber and Kacey Ramsauer.

WORK SESSION

Work Session at 6:00 p.m. on October 20th, 2021, at the American Legion, War Memorial Hall located at 515 E Second Street, Mountain Home, Idaho to introduce, and gather feedback regarding, the proposed 760-acre Mayfield Springs Planned Community project located adjacent to Desert Wind Road, Baseline Road and Regina Road (parcel numbers RP01N04E340040; RP01N04E353010; RP01N04E48400; RP01N04E341210). As a planned community, the project must include a mixture of land uses, in addition to residential units in a variety of densities.

Mehta-Cooper presented the staff report and background on this project.

The applicants' representatives gave their presentation on the scope and status of the project so far.

Elmore County had some representatives give their comments on the application submitted by the applicant.

As this was a work session no testimony or actions were taken on this agenda item.

ACTION ITEM

White Cloud Communications Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit to install a Wireless Communication Facility located in King Hill, Idaho. The property is zoned Agriculture; Case Number: CUP-2021-07. The hundred and sixty feet (160') self-supporting tower proposal will use 36'X36' leased space on a 73.5-acre parcel owned by Crane Farms Limited (RP05S10E128400).

Osborn stated that she is aware of this project through the scope of her employment and that she will recuse herself if the applicant feels that she cannot be unbiased.

Eric Smallwood is the applicant representing White Cloud Communications. He stated that he does not wish for Osborn to recuse.

Smallwood stated that his company were awarded a grant to help rural areas with accessing better internet. He stated that the pandemic has created a world where the internet is a utility needed to exist and because of that there has been a push to bring that connectivity to citizens in rural areas. He stated that King Hill is an unincorporated area in Elmore County that can really use this type of service as Century Link has no plans to upgrade the existing services. He stated that they estimate this to service 140 households.

Haber-Cruz gave staff report and background.

There was no one signed in to testify in this matter.

Osborn closed the public hearing.

Commission Action:

Duerig moved to approve with an addition to one condition.

Blanksma seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

FCO's and Minutes

FCO for Case Number: SUB-2021-02-A

Duerig moved to approve.

Blanksma seconded.

Motion carried unanimously with Oppedyk abstaining as he was not present for this public hearing.

FCO for Case Number: SUB-2021-03-A

Smith moved to approve.

Duerig seconded.

Motion carried unanimously with Oppedyk abstaining as he was not present for this public hearing

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Blanksma moved to approve.

Fish seconded.

Motion carried unanimously with Oppedyk abstaining as he was not present for this public hearing

Approved

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Upcoming P & Z Schedule

The next public hearing is scheduled for November 17, 2021.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:50 pm.

Approved

Approved



Patti Osborn, Chairperson

12/15/2021

Date:



Attest:
Mitra Mehta-Cooper, Director

12/15/2021

Date: