

Minutes
Assembly Lands Committee
Monday, July 29, 2013, 5:00 p.m.
Assembly Chambers

I. Call to Order

Carlton Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Members Present: Mary Becker; Carlton Smith; Johan Dybdahl; Loren Jones

Liaisons Present: Jeff Wilson; Mike Peterson

Liaisons Absent: Nathan Bishop

Staff Present: Greg Chaney, Lands & Resources Manager; Jessica Beck, Lands & Resources

Specialist; Dan Bleidorn, Laboratory Technician

II. Agenda Changes

There were no agenda changes.

III. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the following Lands Committee were approved:

July 1, 2013

IV. Public Participation – non-agenda items

There was no public participation on non-agenda items.

V. Action Item – none

VI. Information Items

A. Dan Bleidorn hired for Deputy Lands Manager position

Mr. Chaney introduced Dan Bleidorn as the soon to be Deputy Lands Manager. His first day will be August 12th.

B. Pederson Hill Zone Change – Neighborhood Meeting Scheduled for August 20, 2013

Mr. Chaney said the area they're proposing as D10SF is roughly 33 acres. The rest of the area that is proposed to be D10 is roughly 119 acres. There will be a neighborhood meeting on August 20th, 5:00-7:00pm at the Mendenhall Library.

C. Eaglecrest Cell Tower Application

Mr. Chaney said Eaglecrest has been approached by GCI to have a small cell tower put on their property. It will be 50 feet tall and it will not be obtrusive.

Mr. Smith: It mentions a revenue stream. How much will it make?

Mr. Chaney: It will be around \$500 to \$600 a month. We're still negotiating the amount. We're hoping to have a 3% increase per year provision, which is the standard on our other cell tower leases.

Ms. Becker: Lands started working on a cell tower agreement that was supposed to be turned into an ordinance. Do you know about that?

Mr. Chaney: Lands was working with the Community Development Department on that and it's they're still working on it. I think they're also working with Law on it.

Mr. Wilson: Does this have to go to the Assembly for approval?

Mr. Chaney: We have to get approval from the Assembly before it's installed.

Mr. Wilson: Will it come back to the Lands Committee?

Mr. Chaney: I believe it will go right to the Assembly. Eaglecrest is trying to get it through as quick as possible. The big thing is that GCI will be stringing fiber optic cable all the way up the mountain.

D. Update on Archipelago Property

Mr. Chaney said they are in the final steps. The deed language is being finalized, archipelago is going to put the property tax in escrow, the subdivision plat will be recorded, and then we will have the closing of the sale. Hopefully that will take about two weeks.

E. LiDAR – Sneak Preview of Initial Data

Mr. Chaney said we have a big wetland mapping project going on right now. The first step is an aerial imagery mission, where they had the aircraft flying over Juneau. Right now we have the pilot area, which is early data for us to review. The data can be used to create topographic maps.

Mr. Wilson: Will this be on the city's website and available to the public?

Mr. Chaney: I doubt we'll put it on a server because the data set is huge. It's not exclusive or proprietary, but you might have to make some special arrangements to get some of the data.

F. Piksik – American Eagle Outfitters Photo & Video Shoot, July 29th-August 2nd

Mr. Chaney said American Eagle Outfitters, a clothing company, is doing a photo and video shoot around town. They will be at the Auke Lake boat launch, North Douglas launch ramp, upper Eaglecrest Ski Area and downtown streets. That has also bled into some other areas. Amazing Race filmed here a few weeks ago. Juneau is becoming a destination for film crews.

VII. Liaison Reports

Mr. Jones introduced Mike Peterson as the new Docks & Harbors liaison to the Lands Committee. Mr. Peterson said he is excited to be here.

Mr. Wilson: We had our last PRAC meeting on July 2nd. It was dedicated to taking public comment for Cope Park master plan. We had very positive comments about dog parks, softball, more lighting, etc. We're looking at moving tennis courts, turning the current tennis courts into more parking, and taking the parking by Gold Creek to turn that into shelters. It will be our first dog park. We're also looking at trying to get a volunteer group to put ice boards and flood it in the winter for ice hockey.

VIII. Next Meeting

August 26, 2013 in the Assembly Chambers.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:27pm.