

November 25, 2008

The Scandia Planning Commission met in a special meeting on the above date for the purpose of discussing the revised draft of the Comprehensive Plan. The following were in attendance: Planning Commission Chairman Chris Ness and Commissioners Tom Krinke, Christine Maefsky, Susan Rodsjo and Peter Schwarz; Mayor Dennis Seefeldt. Staff present: City Attorney Dave Hebert, Deputy Clerk Brenda Eklund and Planning Consultant Jean Coleman. Kevin Nickelson, Comprehensive Plan Committee member, joined the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Chairman Ness called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

Jean Coleman addressed the items of concern which were addressed at the November 18 meeting, along with suggested changes. Specific language and page numbers were reviewed so that direction for changes could be made to ready the document for adoption at the December 2 Planning Commission/City Council meeting.

At the November 18 meeting, there was discussion that the Land Use map incorrectly showed a triangular parcel east of Parrish Road zoned as Village Neighborhood. Ms. Coleman verified that the parcel was correctly zoned in the VN based on past discussion to allow for expansion of the VN at a density of 1 dwelling per 2.5 acres. Consensus was to leave the map as presented.

The Commissioners discussed setting bonus densities for open space conservation subdivisions in the Ag Core and General Rural districts. Members concluded that a bonus density of 75% should be granted for both districts.

Clarifying the language regarding lot averaging in the General Rural district was discussed. The language will be changed to state that a 4 per 40 density with a minimum lot size of 2 acres is allowed within the General Rural zoning district.

Ms. Coleman noted changes in specific wording and page numbers so that a revised matrix incorporating these changes will be prepared. This unified document will go before the Planning Commission at the December 2 meeting for recommendation to the Council.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Eklund
Deputy Clerk