



District Plan Commission meeting notes

Type of meeting: Regular

Date: Thursday, January 25, 2018

Location: Adams County Government Center, 5th Floor Study Session Room

Members present: Mr. Alan Hale (Chair), Ms. Christy Dowling (Vice Chair), Ms. Amanda Griffin (Secretary), Mr. Tim Ferrell, Mr. Adam Kniss, Mr. Wayne Scott; Mr. Thom Stanfield; Mr. Dave Swanson; Mr. Wayne Walvoord

Members absent: None

Staff present: Anneli Berube (Adams County/City of Brighton), Christine Francescani (Adams County), Thad Gourd (Adams County), Joelle Greenland (Adams County); Chris Loy (Adams County); Shannon McDowell (Adams County), Aja Tibbs (City of Brighton); Gary Wardle (City of Brighton); Jennifer Woods (Adams County)

Public present: Christine Quinlan (The Conservation Fund); Linda Young (Brighton Shares the Harvest)

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No discussion. 	Meeting called to order by A. Hale at 2:05 p.m.
2. Approve minutes from December 6, 2017 meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No discussion. 	A. Kniss moved to approve minutes from December 6, 2017 meeting. W. Walvoord seconded. Unanimous approval.
3. Introduction of new County staff and organizational structure of Community and Economic Development Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> J. Greenland gave overview of the functions of Adams County Community and Economic Development Department and introduced J. Woods, new Long Range Planner for the County. 	No action.
4. Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. 	No action.
5. Staff report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Berube shared information on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Plan—District Plan Implementation Strategy Meeting w/ Tri County Health Innovation Pavilion meeting with Brighton EDC Greeley school district food hub tour GOCO concept paper submission T. Gourd announced that CSU Extension has hired Family & Consumer Science Agent. 	No action.

<p>6. Discussion with Christine Quinlan of The Conservation Fund: tools to preserve farmland and possible funding mechanisms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C. Quinlan presented information about The Conservation Fund, tools and funding sources to preserve agricultural land, and trends in ag land preservation. 	<p>No action.</p>
<p>7. Future Agenda Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Kniss asked for clarification on status of GOCO concept paper submission. • C. Dowling inquired about additional considerations for District Plan land preservation and suggested more discussion might be needed to prioritize criteria. • W. Walvoord shared resources regarding ag tech and related funding. • T. Ferrell shared information about CRAFT, a new program through the Colorado Tourism Office that includes funding and educational opportunities; A. Berube noted that she forwarded the information to the Brighton Chamber of Commerce. • T. Ferrell requested a discussion related to safety and signage for agritourism. He will flesh out for a future agenda item. • A. Hale noted that he had requested more information about oil and gas development from Adams County staff; A. Berube indicated that this is a possibility for a future meeting. • A. Hale shared an article in the Parker Chronicle about a veteran beekeeper, and asked that the group keep veteran-to-farmer programs and opportunities in mind. 	<p>No action.</p>
<p>8. Upcoming events and happenings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addressed in previous agenda item. 	<p>No action.</p>
<p>9. Adjournment</p>		<p>Meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.</p>

Recorded by: A. Berube