



MAYOR

Dianne M. Keller

COUNCIL

Howard O'Neil, Seat A
Diana L. Straub, Seat B
Steven Menard, Seat C
Marty Metiva, Seat D
Ron Cox, Seat E
Mark A. Ewing, Seat F

**JOINT TENTATIVE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
WASILLA CITY COUNCIL AND WASILLA PLANNING COMMISSION
WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Wasilla City Hall, 290 E. Herning Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654 (907) 373-9090**

SPECIAL MEETING

6 P.M.

FEBRUARY 6, 2006

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Committee of the Whole

1. Comprehensive Plan

a. Overview of Planning Commission Concerns with Comprehensive Plan.

2. Subdivision Ordinance

a. Platting Powers.

VI. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

VII. MAYOR, CLERK, COUNCIL, AND PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

I. CALL TO ORDER

The joint special meeting of the Wasilla City Council and the Wasilla Planning Commission was held on Monday, February 6, 2006 at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Dianne M. Keller called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Howard O'Neil, Seat A, Deputy Mayor
Ms. Diana Straub, Seat B (arrived at 6:08 p.m.)
Mr. Steve Menard, Seat C
Mr. Marty Metiva, Seat D
Mr. Ron Cox, Seat E
Mr. Mark Ewing, Seat F

Planning Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat A
Ms. Dorothy Hamilton, Seat B
Mr. Gregory Koskela, Seat C, Vice-Chair
Ms. Jesse Elkins, Seat D
Mr. Stan Tucker, Seat E, Chair
Mr. Ray McCarthy, Seat F
Mr. Gary Hall, Seat D

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
Ms. Sandra Garley, City Planner

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Keller invited Commissioner McCarthy to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Keller inquired if there were adjustments to the agenda as presented.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented with no objection raised.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Committee of the Whole

1. Comprehensive Plan
 - a. Overview of Planning Commission Concerns with Comprehensive Plan.
2. Subdivision Ordinance
 - a. Platting Powers.

MOTION: Council Member Cox moved to enter into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the Comprehensive Plan and Platting Powers.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection.

The council entered the Committee of the Whole at 6:08 p.m.

Discussion moved to the Council and Planning Commission regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion points included:

- to form a focus group to review the Comprehensive Plan;
- to appoint a member of the council to serve as a liaison to the planning commission;
- to form a group to include those with commercial and residential interest to brain storm about development strategies;
- to form a group to guide subdivision development;
- to define a commercial corridor based on future railroad relocation;
- to aggressively annex outlying areas into the city limits;
- to enhance the annexation by invitation flyer to include a property tax comparison for properties located inside city limits;
- to cautiously move forward with annexation; and
- to obtain platting powers from the borough;
- to direct each council and commission member to thoroughly read the Comprehensive Plan to bring forward areas of concern at a future joint meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved to exit the committee of the whole at 7:13 p.m.

VI. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Ms. Anne Kilkenny:

- spoke in support of the city moving forward with obtaining platting powers;
- spoke about the platting process and what the city would be responsible to provide; and
- thanked the planning commission for their hard work.

VII. MAYOR, CLERK, COUNCIL, AND PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

Mayor Keller:

- thanked everyone for attending the meeting; and
- thanked the planning commission for their hard work.

City Clerk:

- inquired about scheduling a future joint council and planning commission meeting to discuss proposed revisions to the Comprehensive Plan.

The general consensus of the group was to direct the clerk to schedule a joint meeting in late June or early July after the FY-07 budget is adopted.

Council Member Metiva:

- supports a detailed review of the Comprehensive Plan as many areas may have been addressed since its original publication in 1996.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.


DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:


KRISTIE L. SMITHERS, MMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla City Council on February 27, 2006.