Planning & Development Committee September 10, 2013 Minutes

Members Present: Committee Chair Barry Ormsby, Legislators Robert Thomas, Philip Reed,

Allen Drake, John Peck, Michael Behling, Chairwoman Carolyn Fitzpatrick

Others Present: Legislators Michael Docteur, Michael Montigelli, Michael Astafan, County

Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Michael Kaskan, County Attorney David Paulsen, Planning Director Don Canfield, Senior

Typist Torri Richmire

Chairman Ormsby called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor. The minutes of the August meeting were approved without objection or correction.

Chairman Ormsby introduced a resolution regarding Inclusion of Viable Agricultural Land in Certified Agricultural Districts before the Districts' Established Review Periods and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Reed and seconded by Legislator Peck. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Ormsby introduced a resolution authorizing Jefferson County to be lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act for the purpose of the 2013 Inclusion of Viable Agricultural Land within existing Agricultural Districts before the Districts' Established Review Periods, and making a Determination of Non-significance and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Behling and seconded by Legislator Thomas. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Ormsby introduced a resolution authorizing agreement with Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District relative to Management of and Recreation in County Forest Lands and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Peck and seconded by Legislator Reed. Legislator Behling stated that he had the opportunity to review the draft form of this agreement and it refers to the work of the trail coordinator on county land, his concern is that the trail coordinator works with clubs, trails and establishments on land other than county owned. He stated that he cannot vote for this the way it currently reads. Chairman Ormsby stated that there is no intent to eliminate that position and explained that this is simply a draft and that by combining the two agreements and offering the same services it will ultimately result in a savings to the county. He stated that the resolution authorizes the County Attorney to move forward with the agreement and stated that the board will be able to review the final proposal prior to voting on it. Legislator Behling stated that he is in favor of saving money but the new agreement should incorporate some of the wording of the previous contract, specifically that the trail coordinator will be doing work other than on county land.

County Administrator Hagemann stated that two separate agreements are being consolidated into one for savings to the county and a better programming focus for Jefferson County Soil and Water District on the County's behalf. He stated that he will get in touch with Soil and Water and

make changes to the language but advised that this resolution itself isn't specific either way but does say that it is subject to review by the County Attorney before execution. He said adjustments can be made to the agreement prior to the Board Session on the first of October. County Attorney Paulsen stated that he believes the draft was prepared by Soil and Water and he will review the outlines of scope of services comparing them to the language of previous agreements and to the extent that they differ he will add back in the original language.

Legislator Peck stated that the new contract should maintain the intentions of the previous agreements between the trail coordinator and forestry. He advised that in the draft agreement money figures remain the same, but his main concern is that the new contract accomplish the goals that the county has for these positions and that Soil and Water district can fulfill the goals set forth by the county.

Following discussion, Legislators Peck and Reed rescinded their motion and Chairman Ormsby entertained a motion to table the resolution until next month. A motion was duly made by Legislator Peck and seconded by Legislator Behling. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to table the resolution.

Chairman Ormsby advised that on each Legislator's desk is a breakdown of duties that Agricultural Coordinator Jay Matteson is currently working on.

There being no further business, on a motion by Legislator Peck seconded by Legislator Reed and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Robert F. Hagemann, J.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk of the Board