

KITITITAS COUNTY
CDS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5th ROOM 109
Regular Meeting

MONDAY

1:30 PM

May 8, 2023

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright, Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz.

Others: Dan Carlson, Toni Berkshire, Jeremy Larson, Jamey Ayling, Jeremiah Cromie, Steph Mifflin and Jessica Miller, Community Development Services; Arden Thomas, Josh Fredrickson, and Rebecca Cruse, Public Works; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; and three (3) members of the public.

At 1:30 pm Chairman Wright opened the Community Development Services Study Session.

CITIZEN COMMENTS (1 MIN. TIME LIMIT)

Chad Bala - Mr. Bala shared concerns regarding CDS staff and an email response.

Pat Deneen - Mr. Deneen shared concern regarding CDS staff and an email response.

REPORTING CODE VIOLATIONS

CDS Director Dan Carlson brought this item forward as a request for the BoCC. Commissioner Osiadacz stated her position is the customers should be able to make a code enforcement complaint over the phone. Discussion occurred regarding current procedure and possible changes. Deputy Prosecutor Neil Caulkins stated it is better to get the form filled out with the reporter's signature. The BoCC directed CDS to put together a policy regarding the procedure and limitations of taking a code violation report over the phone.

2021 BUILDING CODE UPDATES

CDS Director Dan Carlson stated CDS will be coming to the BoCC with a request to set a hearing to consider the 2021 Building Codes on June 6th. The State Code Council mandated they will go

into effect July 1st. Building Official Jeremy Larson provided an overview of the energy credit issue. CDS has been providing builder outreach meetings to the community. There are law suits against the state right now that we are keeping track of. CDS Director Carlson stated that CDS is going to put an amendment in to Title 14, for when CDS adopts the building codes. CDS plans on including a proposal to put that fire flow in rural areas, this will provide something clear and predictable for people who want to develop.

DAILY CUTOFF FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS

CDS Director Dan Carlson requested the BoCC to consider allowing application submittal, for building permits and land use applications, to have a time cutoff of 4:30 pm daily. The office would still be open for customers from 8 am to 5 pm. CDS now has the option for electronic submittal for customers to access at any time. The BoCC directed staff to provide documentation for the last 6 months of the impact of receiving applications close to closing.

OTHER BUSINESS


There was no other business.

Meeting concluded at 2:19 p.m.

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Jessica Miller



Cory Wright, Chairman