

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES  
STUDY SESSION  
MINUTES**

**DATE: June 18, 2007**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairman Alan Crankovich, Vice Chairman David Bowen**

**CDS STAFF PRESENT: Director Darryl Piercy, Assistant Director Allison Kimball, Administrative Assistant Mandy Weed, Joanna Valencia Planner II, Scott Turnbull Planner II**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Lindsey Ozbold, Catherine Dunn, Chad Bala, Jeff Slothower, Pat Deneen, Brandon Drexler Public Works Director.**

<b>TOPIC:</b>	1. EIS Processing: Reecer Creek PUD
<b>DISCUSSION:</b>	<p>1. Commissioner Bowen clarified that the discussion regarding the EIS on Reecer Creek was in regards to process to make sure it was ok that they were having this discussion. Piercy stated that there is a project that needs an EIS and on this particular application we are trying to identify issues and have already completed a DNS. We are trying to develop a stronger record for those areas within the urban growth area and by code we (CDS) can either prepare the EIS or hire a consultant. Piercy stated that the applicant will pay for it either way; by staffing agreement if it is done by the department. Piercy stated that it would be a good experience for CDS to prepare the EIS with some additional help of a consultant for the final analysis. Piercy stated that we could enter into a staffing agreement with the payment upfront and it could be a win-win situation for both parties. Piercy stated that we are looking at a one year cycle. Commissioner Bowen questioned the timeline if we need to hire an additional planner. Piercy stated that the project would be headed up by Allison Kimball, Joanna Valencia and Scott Turnbull and we could then hire a temp person to fulfill the day to day planner tasks. Piercy stated that we had just completed planner interviews and may be able to use the same pool without having to repost. Pat Deneen commented that this is a really good idea for the staff to complete the EIS as it will create more knowledge within the county. Jeff Slothower stated that we have no more control doing it this way versus hiring a consultant so there won't be any issues of special privileges. Deneen stated that there is no hurry and is willing to take the time to have staff complete it. Piercy commented that this process will also allow just as much public input as with a consultant. Commissioners Bowen and Crankovich stated that this sounds like a good opportunity for the staff. Piercy stated that we have two other projects that we are expecting that may require EIS's as well. Piercy stated that he will work with Slothower on preparing a staffing agreement and will bring it before the board in July.</p>

**ACTION:**

1. BOCC gave approval for Piercy and Slothower to prepare staffing agreement to enable staff to conduct EIS.