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"Building Partnerships – Building Communities"

CDS STUDY SESSION MINUTES

March 23, 2015

THOSE PRESENT: Gary Berndt, Obie O'Brien, Paul Jewell (BOCC) Stephanie Mifflin, Rose Shriner, Mike Flory, Doc Hansen, Lindsey Ozbolt (CDS) Neil Caulkins (PA) Kathy Jurgens, Doug D'Hondt, Candie Leader (PW)

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

Discussion of Accomplishments of 2014 Objectives and the Objectives for 2015 in the Planning Section of CDS:

Doc stated he sent a memo on Thursday to the Board. Doc stated most of the time spent in 2014 was on the Docket process and the Vantage to Pomona transmission line. Doc went over the memo (see attached) and stated the biggest issue will be the higher population moving over from the West side of the State. Doc stated a large portion of time will be coordinating plans from the State, water reservoir transfer, and the Best Available Science (BAS) gathered and used in the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) updated. Doc stated he will be spending time on the EIS of the Fairgrounds Master Program. Commissioner Jewell asked about the timeline for the comment period from the Department of Ecology regarding the Shoreline Master Program (SMP). Doc stated the public comment period just ended and explained the next steps. Commissioner Jewell asked why the CAO stopped and expressed his concern with updating both the CAO and the Comprehensive Plan at the same time. Doc stated the CAO stopped because it is expensive and that the plan is to slow the process down so that it all becomes part of the update. Commissioner Jewell asked how the Voluntary Stewardship Program fits in with the CAO funding. Doc stated the Voluntary Stewardship Program will be a priority.

Board Direction: None.

2014 Building Permit Statistics:

Mike stated that Rose put together maps of the 2014 building permits. Mike stated there were 786 total permits in 2014 and 359 of those are still active in 2015. There was discussion regarding the spreadsheets (see attached), extensions filed on projects, and the projections for the completion of projects. Mike reviewed the 2014 active permits map (see attached) with the Board and stated that CDS is fully staffed at this point.

Board Direction: None.

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Doc Hansen, Planning Official

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Gary Berndt, Chairman

APPROVED
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