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AGENDA

KINGSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

6:00 P.M.

KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

1401 DRAPER STREET

PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE THE OPTION TO CALL 1 (425) 436-6335 PASSCODE 5290024 TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT. WRITTEN COMMENTS CAN STILL BE SUBMITTED BY MAIL OR EMAIL TO ESISK@CITYOFKINGSBURG-CA.GOV. THE CUT OFF FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS IS 09/09/2021 at 4:30pm. THEY WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD.

1. **Call to order - Reminder for all Commissioners and Staff to speak clearly and loudly into the microphones to ensure that a quality recording is made of tonight's meeting. We ask that all those attending this meeting please turn off pagers and wireless phones.**

NEXT RESOLUTION 2021-10

2. **APPROVAL** of the August 12, 2021 minutes.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - Any person may directly address the Commission at this time on any item not on the agenda, or on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. A maximum of five minutes is allowed for each speaker.
4. **Continue Discussion on "Downtown Kingsburg Strategic Plan"**
 - A. Presentation by City Engineer Dave Peters
 - B. Possible Actions:
 1. Review and Comment on the Downtown Kingsburg Strategic Plan
 2. Action to support the Downtown Kingsburg Strategic Plan
5. **FUTURE ITEMS**
6. **ADJOURN**

**MINUTES – AUGUST 12, 2021
KINGSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

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Call to Order – At 6:00 P. M. the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Paul Kruper.

Commissioners present: C. J. Brock, Briana Valdez, Robert Gonzales, Craig Ruch, Jared Ekizian, and Chairperson Paul Kruper.

Commissioners Absent: Vice Chairperson Bruce Blaney

Staff Present: City Engineer Dave Peters

Public Comments - A resident, who identified herself as Brittney, spoke about shading for bicycle/walking trails climate resilience pertaining to the Climate Adaptation Policy.

Downtown Kingsburg Strategic Plan Review

Presentation by City Engineer Dave Peters

Mr. Peters emphasized that this is a draft plan. It is funded through the Fresno COG Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Grant. He stated that we have seen several downtown plans over the past several years. This Plan focuses mainly on transportation, being able to travel around town without using a personal vehicle. It focuses on ways to promote non-motorized travel downtown and parking around Draper Street. He briefly summarized the Downtown Vision Statement which emphasizes a vibrant downtown unique to Kingsburg. He also referred to the Central Kingsburg Revitalization Plan (2007), Fresno County Rural Transit, Train Depot, Trolley (special events), Bike/Ped are limited as well as the bike amenities. He stated that we are looking to expand those opportunities. We have a total of 1,282 parking spaces available in the downtown area. He reviewed the design guidelines which are outlined in the presentation. He stated that as the town grows, we have identified new parking facilities to be centrally located. He reviewed the Plan recommendations; curb extensions and ped amenities, Class II Bike Lanes, bike storage racks, shared mobility (e-scooter, e-bike), expand transit & trolley service (intra-city Friday-Sunday), basic service needs for downtown residents. He stated that timed parking has been scratched from the Plan because business owners were not in favor of this.

Possible Actions: Review and Comment on the Downtown Kingsburg Strategic Plan

A general discussion with suggestions ensued:

(T-Mobile call-center) run trolley from there to downtown so those individuals can come downtown.

Timed parking, not very popular for the businesses downtown. Not limiting parking downtown. Perhaps 1-2 spaces per block for something like Door Dash or Uber Eats for quick parking access. What people are willing to do for a parking spot and how far they are willing to walk. Charging stations.

Chairperson Kruper asked, once this has been reviewed and possibly approved, who gets the ball rolling for this? Mr. Peters said that not all details have been worked out, but the basis has been well thought out.

Chairperson Kruper mentioned a traffic circle at Draper & Marion not being practical.

Commissioner Ruch asked if there are studies to support that e-bikes/e-scooters work or are we presuming that this is a great plan?

Commissioner Gonzalez said that he loves riding his bike downtown but is always watchful. He asked if there will be spots to be able to put bike racks downtown. He said that crossing Sierra Street is dangerous and perhaps we should be considering a connecting route to get across from the other side of Sierra safely.

Mr. Peters said that streets can support all sorts of transportation, not just cars.

Commissioner Gonzalez mentioned bike lanes with directional flow of bicycles.

Mr. Peters said that we are open to suggestions to anything that would be beneficial to the City (bike/ped).

Commissioner Ruch said that it is dangerous to ride in downtown Kingsburg.

Commissioner Valdez said, in addition to bike/ped, criss-cross crosswalk, we need discussion on fixing the sidewalks.

Mr. Peters said that 18th & Sierra by the High School we have been in contact with Cal-Trans to have one there. We are looking for opportunities to make sidewalks ADA and safe. Part of the recommendation for the Plan is to make sure that there are handicap parking stalls on each end of every block and upgrade to meet ADA standards.

Chairperson Kruper said that he would like to see a bike trail continue to Selma. Mr. Peters said that a bike trail from here to Fowler is part of the Plan.

Action to Support

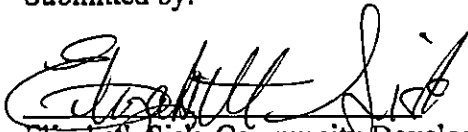
It was the consensus that the Kingsburg Planning Commission is in general support of the Downtown Kingsburg Strategic Plan to be brought back to the Commission once everyone has time to discuss the options and other items.

Commissioner Ruch asked where the parking facility will be. Mr. Peters said that we haven't pinpointed a designation.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Ruch, seconded by Commissioner Ekizian, to adjourn at 7:00 P. M. The motion carried.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elizabeth Sisk". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E".

Elizabeth Sisk, Community Development
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Kingsburg Planning Commission