

SULTAN CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

ITEM NO: Consent C 3

DATE: August 9, 2007

SUBJECT: Council Minutes

CONTACT PERSON: Laura Koenig, City Clerk/Deputy Finance Director

SUMMARY: Attached are the minutes of the July 26, 2007 Public Hearing on the Transportation Improvement Program as on file in the office of the City Clerk.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve as submitted.

MOTION: Move to accept the consent agenda as presented.

COUNCIL ACTION:

DATE:

CITY OF SULTAN PUBLIC HEARING – July 26, 2007

The Public Hearing on the 6 Year Transportation Improvement Program was called to order in the Sultan Community Center by Mayor Pro Tem Seehuus. Councilmembers present: Champeaux, Wiediger, Slawson, Flower and Blair.

Staff Report:

Deborah Knight discussed the Transportation Improvement Plan which is a part of the Capital Facility and Transportation element of the Comprehensive Plan. The adoption of the 6 year plan is mandated by the State. The plan includes both funded and non-funded projects. Projects must be included on the TIP in order to qualify for state and federal transportation funds. The Fire District has concerns regarding a proposed north/south connector that goes through their property. The plan was sent to the Planning Board and they requested clarification on the project numbering system for non-motorized projects and staff has corrected the number system. The Planning Board will continue their hearing on July 31, 2007 and staff will bring their recommendations to the Council.

Flower: Asked if the city could use the existing road (Cascade View Drive) instead of moving the road.

Blair: The Fire District is concerned that the road goes through the property and that could inhibit the build out on the parcel and the application would potentially be denied.

Slawson: This is prime commercial property, is the Fire District interested in moving elsewhere?

Deborah Knight: The Council could realign the roads as a policy decision. Staff recommends that they leave project on the list but show alternative locations for the north/south connector.

Public Comments:

Steve Fox: Fire District 5 Commissioner Chair provided a letter for the public record expressing their concern over a proposed road through their property. They were not contacted by the City about the road location and when they learned of the proposal they sent a letter to the Council and discussed the matter with the City Administrator. They want to go on record that they have not received any notification from the City regarding the proposed use the District's property. They expressed their concern in writing to the City, and the District has no intention of subdividing their property. They have requested that all projects involving use of the District property be removed from the plan and for the record, stated that their position is "hostile" regarding using District property for projects T-35 and NM-I.

Loretta Storm: Speaking as a citizen and member of the Highway 2 Coalition, the location of a road at 330th is not included on the RDT and that may create a problem for funding. Phase III of SBR includes the road for large trucks and that could be an issue with the turning radius.

Dan Barmon: If they move the road to the east it would be on his property and he is not interested in having any trails or roads on his property.

On a motion by Councilmember Flower, seconded by Councilmember Slawson, the public hearing was closed. All ayes.

John Seehuus, Mayor Pro-tem

Laura J. Koenig, City Clerk