

**MID-COUNTY ADVISORY COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
May 28, 2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dan Haire  
Herb Bickle  
Michael Allen  
Giovanni Vendetti  
Caleb Knight  
Gina Bua  
Eric Herde

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM. Roll was taken, and a quorum was present.

**NEW BUSINESS  
Community Plan Update Public Meeting**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Christina Balsom has lived here 25 years and went to school and college in this area. Neighbors have given up on things. She is here to get information. She does not think there is enough regulation in my area. Doesn't want to experience retaliation. I know a lot of people are moving out of the area due to traffic congestion. There is a lot of freeway traffic going through residential areas. She does not want a freeway in front of her house.

Carol Hoosier, N. Cover Creek Collins board member, has been fighting out of control growth with no roads, amenities, or infrastructure. We are working over an aquifer. Many wetlands have been filled in. Density is increasing with nowhere for people to go. There is no parking – too many cars parked on residential streets. There is no public transportation. People don't want to walk a quarter-mile to get to a bus. People drive 50 mph down her street (Vickery). Back off building and focus on infrastructure.

Dee Ferko read prepared statement dated March 28, 2019 (copy provided to Commission and Clerk). People are tired of coming to these meetings year after year with the same requests. These people are the bosses of the people making the decisions.

Bill Lynn, spoke on behalf of Mr. Rhine, who owns a variety of businesses near Highway 512. There is a group of parcels that should be included in Employment Corridor. It is not a rural property and has housed several different businesses since the 1940s. This is a successful business that employs many people who then don't have to leave the area to make a living. He would like room for some expansion of businesses.

Greg Garner, Bill Lynn covered everything they had, but are open for questions.

Ron McCorkle grew up on 144<sup>th</sup> and Canyon and his dad still lives there. Worried about his father's property value, as this is his nest egg. Has this type of rezone been done in other areas of the County? If so, he would like to evaluate how the zone change affected property taxes.

Jeff Mann, lives in the Rural Separator (RSep) and supports the concept of Centers and Corridors. He would like to see the County put growth in centers and corridors to preserve more rural areas. He also supports staff recommendations for zone changes (104<sup>th</sup> and 121<sup>st</sup>).

Terry Hurd, lives in the area. The Urban Growth Act was an unfunded mandate sold to Washington State. Urban Growth development was not funded or staffed properly. There is no enforcement action to implement concurrency. Development is going on but no roads/sidewalks, sewers, not enough schools, etc. Contact Councilmember and give them your opinion.

Scott Webster, lived here since 1963. He lives in Rural Separator near Swan Lake. His main concern is cross traffic to avoid Canyon. County seems to be unaware of a 14.2-mile fuel pipeline that runs through Mid-County and ends at JBLM. Nobody has spoken about this. What about the weight of extra vehicles? How will all of this affect the pipeline? It is highly flammable jet fuel.

*Public testimony closed.*

## **COMMISSION DISCUSSION**

**Motion made (Vendetti/Knight) to recommend approval of the proposal with staff recommendations and modifications identified in the Staff Report.**

*Amendments to Main Motion:*

**Motion made (Vendetti/Allen) to retain the existing Neighborhood Center (NC) zone for the Lutheran Church property and the property adjacent to it on the south side of 112<sup>th</sup> & Bingham. *Motion passed 5-1, with one abstention (Bua).***

**Motion made (Haire/Herde) to not retain the existing Neighborhood Center (NC) zoning for the property on 112<sup>th</sup> adjacent to the Lutheran Church. *Motion passed 4-3.***

**Motion made (Herde/Bua) that AC11 be reverted from staff recommendation to what is proposed by the Commission in the draft Community Plan. *Motion failed 2-4, with one abstention (Haire).***

**Motion made (Knight/Allen) to rezone the Rhine property to Employment Corridor (ECOR), as requested by the property owner. *Motion passed 4-3.***

**Motion made (Vendetti/Knight) to change the SF and RR zones east of Canyon to MSF. *Motion failed 3-4.***

**Motion made (Bickle/Allen) to keep the existing Neighborhood Center (NC) zone for the adjacent church property on the south side of 112<sup>th</sup> & Bingham. *Motion passed 4-3.***

*Final Vote on main motion, as amended:*

*Herde - yes*

*Bickle - yes*

*Haire - abstain*

*Allen - yes*

*Bua - yes*

*Knight - yes*

*Vendetti – yes*

*Motion passed 6-0, with one abstention (Haire).*

## **Development Regulations:**

**Motion made (Knight/Bickle) to accept the staff recommendations for 18A, 18B, and 18J. *Motion passed 6-0, with one abstention (Haire).***

**Motion made (Vendetti/Bickle) to accept staff recommendations. *Motion passed 6-0, with one abstention (Haire).***

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM