

Doney Park-Timberline-Fernwood Area Plan Update Committee
Notes for Meeting #18a, May 20, 2021 6:00-8:30 pm, on Zoom

I. Welcome and Introductions

Committee Members

Bryan Bates (chair)
John Ruggles
Liz Baldwin
Evelyn Wannie
Dave Browning
Bernice Carver
Saylor Caudill
Monica Julian
Rob Wilson

County Staff and Supervisors

Melissa Shaw
Jessica Simmons
Jess McNeely
Jeronimo Vasquez
Naomi Yazzie-Sloan
Kelly Bingham
Jay Christelman
Areina Contreras
Judy Begay

Members of the Public

Doug Meyer
Russell Wiedmann
William LeRoy
Julie Leid
Toni
Teresa Alfred
Sheila Walsh
Paula Mack
Jon Paxton
Lisa
Karen Burdorff
Peggy C.
Sandra
Tricia Moore
Adrienne Poirier
Andy Ball
Carol Bickford
Switz
James Michael

Ken Lorton
Autumn Montoya
Gro
Daniela Harrison
Matthew Harrison

II. First Comment Period

W. LeRoy: The Comprehensive Plan and Flagstaff Regional Plan don't address water. Climate change will pose challenges to our water systems and supply, which will have to be addressed. When will we see more detailed information on this issue? Answer: The committee has not examined those documents in detail, but this is an important topic and the Committee might re-visit the water section later and look at those concerns.

T. Alfred: Doesn't like the "shall" language; would prefer "must," etc. What is cluster development? Would that allow densities higher than one household per acre? Answer: Described cluster developments. No it would not allow that. There will be more discussion on clustering tonight.

R. Wiedmann: Supervisor Vasquez said that nothing is being done with the flood control parcel. Mr. Wiedmann likes that it's open and thinks it helps give DPTF its character. Thinks a park would be good there. Disagrees that there's nothing being done with it. Answer: That's a flood retention area. Supervisor Vasquez would also like to see recreation there, but the space is currently designated for non-recreational use. The County wants to keep it open, preferably with multiple uses in addition to flood mitigation.

P. Mack: Thank you to the committee and for the opportunity for the public to see and be involved in this process.

III. Land Use, Growth, and Development Chapter Review, continued

The committee continued its review of the goals and policies of this chapter, continuing from where they left off at the May 13 meeting, with M. Shaw making changes into the document. The committee got to Goal LU.3 and will continue with this chapter at a future meeting.

IV. Schedule Review

The schedule was reviewed. The next step after reviewing the chapters will be open houses. Public hearings and final approvals are possible Fall 2021.

The next meetings will be **June 10 and June 24, 5:00-8:00** on Zoom. **Committee members please RSVP for these meetings to M. Shaw so she knows if a quorum will be present.**

V. Second Comment Period

D. Harrison: We live here because of the large lot sizes and oppose increased traffic etc. We appreciate dark skies. We want it to stay rural and calm.

K. Burdorff: Doesn't like how APS service to DPTF is unreliable. Answer: The Committee has no say in what APS does.

D. Meyer: LU.2.a is a loophole that could allow higher density in DPTF. That's not what DPTF residents want.

T. Alfred: Doesn't like "should"-type language. Where can the 2001 Area Plan be viewed? Why is it being redone? Answer: The plan is on the County website (a link was posted in the chat). Area plans are meant to be updated every 10 years to make sure they are current.

R. Weidmann: The only way to make sure there are no changes that the community doesn't want is to buy the land themselves. How do you know what the community wants during a Zone Change?

W. LeRoy: When will the public meeting regarding the water resources be? Answer: The Committee has reviewed the water chapter, and that meeting can be viewed on the website. However, the County is limited in how much it can address limiting development based on water due to state law.

M. Harrison: Will the plan address short-term rentals? Answer: The state doesn't allow local areas to regulate that. The Area Plan could have a policy saying they're not preferred, but it's unlikely to have much impact.

B. Carver: Against cluster development and worried about water.