

Town of Morrison Planning Commission  
Morrison Town Hall  
110 Stone Street  
Tuesday, April 9, 2019  
7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Jamee Chambers called the regular Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

**Roll Call:** Chairperson Jamee Chambers, Commissioners Matt Schweich, Maja Stefansdottir, Michael Dejonge, and Todd Mercord were present. Jennifer Singer was absent. A quorum was established.

**Staff Present:** Kara Winters (Town Manager), Jennifer Woods (Town Planner)

**Amendments to the Agenda:** None.

**Public to Address the Planning Commission:** **Dave Killingsworth, 403 Bear Creek Avenue.** Killingsworth wants the record to show what he said at the March 12, 2019 hearing regarding the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan was “he does not believe it is too restrictive, but restrictions need to be imposed throughout the Town.”

**Presentations and Hearings:**

a) **Public hearing – Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan**

Chairperson Chambers called public hearing to order at 7:11 P.M.

**Staff Report:** Woods provided an overall update to include: background, project status, and path forward, review criteria for the Comprehensive Plan amendment, staff’s findings associated with the amendment criteria. Finally staff’s recommendation of amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

**Public Comment:** **Dave Killingsworth, 403 Bear Creek Avenue.** Killingsworth said the de-annexation of the land east of C-470 has lots of threads to it throughout the Comprehensive Plan. Public safety was tied to 5,000 population by 2020 or 2030 in Morrison because of the growth on the east side that is not happening. We grew the Police Department before we grew Morrison. Killingsworth said the Planner report stated population is going to explode and grow on the east and the south so we blew up the Police Department to support all that, now we do not have that. Should be some thoughts about reviewing that area and what the plan is and roll up to the Board. Killingsworth believes we have too many police. He said the sign last week up in Indian Hills said Death, taxes and Morrison Police speed traps. It is a huge sting on our community. We can de-annex stuff so let’s de-annex 285, let the mine have it, we do not have

to have the highway out there. Should be some real thoughts about what is going into the community and what is happening to the community. Police to population ratio per capita largest in the US. That includes other places that have entertainment to support it.

Chairperson Chambers closed the public hearing.

**Planning Commissioners Comments:**

Chambers believes the public hearing to amend the Comprehensive Plan should be continued to look at every single element of the Comprehensive Plan for anomalies that have happened because of the de-annexation of Red Rocks Ranch and we need to make sure those things are being applied within the Comprehensive Plan. Woods stated she could do an audit of Comprehensive Plan to find all Red Rocks Ranch items and make sure they have been revised as needed. Mercord asked if items would be divided out what would need to be addressed by Town Board and what items would be Planning Commission business.

Schweich made a motion to direct the Town Planner to make a complete review of Comprehensive Plan to address some of the changes that have been missed. Stefansdottir seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

Chambers made a motion to continue the Public Hearing Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan until June 11, 2019. Mercord seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

**General Business:**

a) **Discussion Regarding Sign Code Regulations in the Old Town Overlay District**  
Woods stated the Town does have standards for up lighting and upwards glare. Schweich stated he was curious about the current signs. 10 foot candles, 30% reduction at some point during established curfew, whatever that means. Woods said "Subway" signs have a plexi front but are a box sign. Schweich stated that all materials should be compatible with the historic overlay within Town. Chambers stated that we can regulate the historic overlay district, she does not feel we need to oversee signs throughout rest of town or residential areas. Dejonge said LED lighting puts out a tremendous amount of foot candles. This puts us on a whole different path of trying to enforce led lights specifically. We already have the tools in place for light enforcement but they are not being utilized. Woods indicated she plans on going out with a light meter tonight after the meeting and will come back with numbers of light trespass. Woods said we might need to put a clause in the code that reads 10 foot candle with zero light trespass. Chambers stated we need to push Xcel Energy to do more down cast lighting of the street lights. Stefansdottir suggested looking at every business in town and also residents garage lighting. Schweich does not believe we should limit the regulations to the historic district.

Chambers suggested to continue this until after Woods completes the light meter test and returns with general impressions. Discussion regarding the sign code was continued to the next meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:** Schweich made a motion to approve the minutes of March 12, 2019. Dejonge seconded the motion. All present voted in favor of motion.

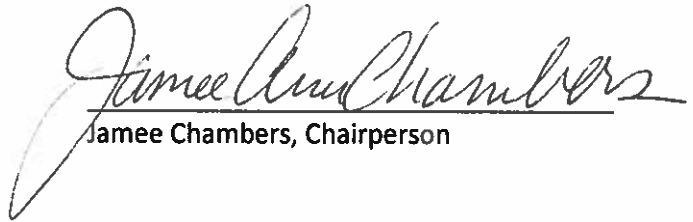
**Staff Reports**

**Town Planner:** Received submittal for a guest house at 140 Canyon Vista. Resub division of 105 Canon Street. Referrals recently sent out nothing has been returned as of yet. This is to reallocate property lines to subdivide into three different lots.

**Town Manager:** None.

**Adjournment:** Chairperson Chambers adjourned the meeting at 8:12 P.M.

Town of Morrison

  
Jamee Chambers, Chairperson

Attest:

  
Lindsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk

