

**City of Ferndale, Humboldt County, California USA**

Minutes for Planning Commission Meeting of September 19, 2012

Study Session: Vice Chair Dan Brown called the study session to order at 6:30pm. Present were Commissioners Uffe Christiansen and Lino Mogni along with staff City Planner George Williamson and City Clerk Nancy Kaytis-Slocum. Planner George Williamson explained that the city is working on the Safety Element of the General Plan, and that this section has to do with Flooding and Drainage Hazards. He introduced the guests Sherry Constancio, P.E.; Engineer, Water Resources, North Coast Flood Management Coordinator and Reginald Kennedy, Service Hydrologist, Meteorologist for the National Weather Service.

P.E. Sherry Constancio and Meteorologist Reginald Kennedy explained the roles of their organizations which include flooding of the Eel River, local warnings and impacts, weather patterns and flood forecasts. They also offer flood fight training. The handouts give computer websites, impact information and monitor/flood stages at Fernbridge.

Call to Order: Vice Chair Dan Brown called the Regular Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:20pm. Commissioners Uffe Christiansen and Lino Mogni along with staff City Planner George Williamson and City Clerk Nancy Kaytis-Slocum were present with Jorgen Von Frausing-Borch and Trevor Harper absent. Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag. MOTION: (Christiansen/Mogni). The August 29, 2012 minutes were unanimously approved.

Revocable Easement for E-Street: City Clerk Nancy Kaytis-Slocum explained that Mr. Hooley had retracted his request for a revocable easement and that he would be removing the fence on E Street by 11/15/12. Staff recommends no further action on this item.

Safety Element Update, Chapter 5.0, Flooding and Drainage Hazards: City Planner George Williamson will be adding some of the information we received from tonight's speakers to this section. He went over the chapter with the Commission and felt that the benefits of the Safety Element would be seen when policy and implementation is developed: educational materials will come out of this and preparation opportunities. In October, we will be dealing with Fire Hazards.

The next regular meeting will be October 17, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Kaytis-Slocum  
City Clerk