

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ARAPAHOE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022**

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<p>A regular meeting of the Arapahoe County Planning Commission was called and held in accordance with the statutes of the State of Colorado and the Arapahoe County Land Development Code. The following Planning Commission members were in attendance:</p> <p>Kathryn Latsis, Chair; Jamie Wollman, Chair Pro-Tem; Rodney Brockelman, Randall Miller (phone), Jane Rieck (phone), Richard Sall (absent); Lynn Sauve (phone).</p> <p>Also present were: Robert Hill, Senior Asst. County Attorney (phone); Jason Reynolds, Current Planning Program Manager; Larry Mugler, Planner/Project Specialist and Lt. Nathan Fogg of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Management; Terri Maulik, Planning Technician; Kim Lynch, Planning Technician, and Kendra Davis, BOCC Management Analyst.</p>
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	<p>Ms. Latsis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and noted a quorum of the Board was present.</p> <p>This meeting was held in person and through the Granicus Live Manager platform with telephone call-in for Planning Commission members and public participation in public hearing items.</p> <p>Mr. Reynolds explained the format of the meeting and how the public could provide public comment.</p>
<b>DISCLOSURE MATTERS</b>	<p>There were no Planning Commission member conflicts with the matters before them.</p>
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS:</b>	
<b>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES</b>	<p><b>The motion was made by Ms. Wollman and duly seconded by Mr. Brockelman to continue the minutes from the December 14, 2021 Planning Commission meeting, so revisions could be made to the transcript prior to approval.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed unanimously.</b></p>
<b>REGULAR ITEMS:</b>	

**ITEM 1**

**CASE NO LR21-003, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT TO ADOPT THE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (HMP) BY REFERENCE; LARRY MUGLER, LONG RANGE PLANNER – PUBLIC WORKS AND DEVELOPMENT (PWD)**

Mr. Mugler stated the case had been properly noticed; therefore, the Planning Commission (PC) had jurisdiction to proceed. He provided a summary of the proposed project before introducing the applicant. He reported that the 2021 HMP update was now considered a part of the regular cycle of reviews and should be adopted by reference.

Lt. Nathan Fogg, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Management, provided details of changes to the HMP since the last adoption by reference in 2015. He outlined the five new hazards that were newly included. He explained the HMP now included all hazards not just natural events but things like cyber, active threats, pandemic, and consolidated weather hazards into summer and winter events. He highlighted fire events due to a recent local occurrence. Lt. Fogg stated only two jurisdictions did not sign off on the updated plan – Columbine Valley who never responded and City of Aurora who created their own plan.

There were discussions concerning the recent fire event in Boulder County.

Ms. Wollman asked if the updated HMP had substantive changes with respect to wild fires.

Lt. Fogg responded that the HMP addressed drought in summer hazards but not wildfire specific mitigation. He explained that water resources development and access to resources were addressed in interagency mutual aid responses in these events.

Ms. Rieck asked about the Community Wildfire Plan.

Lt. Fogg described this was a collaborative effort with Colorado State University (CSU) and not as a part of the HMP.

Ms. Wollman asked if it was possible to include, by reference, a link to the Community Wildfire Plan in the HMP.

Lt. Fogg stated it was could not be done at this point.

	<p>Mr. Mugler stated that it would be noted in the referenced plan that this was requested for the next 5 year review.</p> <p>Ms. Latsis opened the hearing for public comments.</p> <p>There were no further public comments. The public hearing was closed.</p> <p><b>It was moved by Ms. Wollman and duly seconded by Ms. Rieck, in the case of LR21-003, Amendment of the Comprehensive Plan to adopt, by reference, the 2021 Arapahoe County Hazard Mitigation Plan, that the Planning Commissioners had read the staff report and received testimony at the public hearing. And moved to approve the Comprehensive Plan Amendment to incorporate the Arapahoe County 2021 Hazard Mitigation Plan, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on April 13, 2021, by reference, as an element of the Comprehensive Plan based upon the findings one (1) through six (6) and analysis of this staff report, and to provide direction to Planning Division staff to update the Comprehensive Plan document to reflect the goals, policies, and strategies of the 2021 Hazard Mitigation Plan and to recognize the plan, by reference, as a tool for evaluating future land use within the County and for helping to implement the 2021 Hazard Mitigation Plan.</b></p> <p><b>The vote was:</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Rieck, Yes; Ms. Sauve, Yes; Mr. Miller, Yes; Mr. Sall, Absent; Ms. Latsis; Yes; Ms. Wollman, Yes, Mr. Brockelman, Yes.</b></p>
<p><b>ANNOUNCEMENTS AND QUESTIONS</b></p>	<p>Mr. Reynolds announced that Molly Orkild-Larson, Senior Planner would be joining the Planning Commission meetings as Principal Planner whose role would include acting as liaison to the PC and as the voice “from above” in the future.</p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>	<p>There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting was adjourned.</p>