

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 19, 2015

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Gene Robert Larson, Chairman, Dean Krieg, Commissioner, Mark Claridge, Commissioner, Charles Curtis, Commissioner, Charles Curtis, Commissioner, James Bryce, Commissioner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kay Matlock, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Joe Goodman--P&Z Director, Karen Ulibarri -- Planning & Zoning Secretary, Michael Bryce, County Engineer

VISITORS: John Hughes, Wayne Lackner, Glenn Dowdle, Carol Sollers, Harold Lackner, Cliff & Kay Hayes, Chris Mercato, Ron Green, Daniel Sheets, Ginny Schnell, Jay Schnell, Nancy Imboden, Junietta & David Reidhead, Kathy Sargent, Wayne Curtis, Dave Holl, Alan Jeremy, LeRoy Zachek, Brenda Azchek, Mark Angle, Samuel DeLeon, Cristi DeLeon, Barbara Huff, Kim Jeremy, Milt Rhea, Daniel Sirmans, Sally Hughes, Evelyn Hughes, Martin Ward, Marcella Ward, Eddie Lackner, Norma Lackner, David West, Tracy Norton, Dustin Welker, ME Francisco, John Bissell, Mark Haberstick, Chris Taylor, David Miner, Jerry Nelson, Ida Ann Hardy, Jan Elms, Tom Elms, Clyde England, Glen & Krystal Mooney, Rich & Karen Kelley, Don Glascock, Newell Dryden, Tanner Larson, Kent Larson, Greg Larson, Whetten Reed, Jason McDougal, Tom Claridge, Jarom Lunt, Bill Lackner, Kathy Lackner, Jean Reynolds, Susan Syfert, David Morse, Darlene Alder, Ted R. Prina, Carolyn Holliday, Larry Holliday, Beverly Hudman, Gale Burnett, Sonya Burnett, Glen Hudman, Frank Cox, Logan DeCiancio, John Franzone, Ken Lackner, Jodee R. Sollers, Sam Sollers, Michael D. Gunnett, Julie Gunnett, Diana Stone, Kristin Hargis, Daniel John, Michael Espinoza, Duane Aubuchen, Kent Ellett, Frank & Joyce Drena, Angela Prince, Susan Puzas, Beau Allred, James (unreadable), Hopi Fitz-William, Gail Clark

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. noting there was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Commissioner Claridge moved for approval of the minutes of the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting held on August 10, 2015. Commissioner Krieg seconded the motion. The Commission vote was unanimous.

ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

AGENDA ITEM #4: Public hearing for a Zone Map Change REZ #778-15 (APN 104-39-120). The request is made to change the present “A” (General Land Use) Zone to “R-R/20M” (Residential-Rural Land Use) Zone for the purpose of a future minor land division. The applicant is Ronald & Janet Cox and the property is 1.63 acres. The situs address is half an acre on the north side of 1445 S. Robinson Ranch Rd., Thatcher.

Mr. Cox told the Commission that his plan is to split off half an acre on the north side of his property for his son to build a small house there.

Commissioner Curtis moved to send a favorable recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. Commissioner Krieg seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

MOTION ADOPTED

AGENDA ITEM #5: Public hearing for Zone Map Change REZ #779-15 (APN 113-03-023A & B & 029). The request is made to change the present “A” (General) Land Use Zone to “C-M” (Commercial-Manufacturing Land Use) Zone for the purpose of development of including, but not limited to, firearm, weapons systems, emergency response systems and equipment, & optical systems. The applicant is Ida Ann Hardy and the property is 692 acres. The situs is approx. 700 acres on the south side of West Quatro Cerros Rd., Safford.

Ron Green told the Commission about his involvement with this group and their projects. He, then, introduced the individuals involved, Sargent Daniel Sheets and Chris Mercato.

Sargent Daniel Sheets, US Army Retired, spoke to the Commission detailing the plans that Force Options 360 has for the area. He and Mr. Mercato answered many questions from the audience.

Commission Chairman told the groups to pick five speakers to state their objections since he felt there to be too many requests to speak.

Lavar Whetten Reed, Ted Prina from Silver Prina LLC, Bill Sollers, Tom Elms, and Kristen Harguess spoke to the Commission voicing their opposition to the Zone Map Change.

Commissioner Curtis moved to table this item until the September Commission meeting so that Force Options 360 can meet with the public and give them more information. Commissioner Krieg seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

ITEM TABLED

AGENDA ITEM #6: Public hearing for a Special Use Permit SUP #15-01 (APN 110-01-002, 110-02-001, 110-03-001, 002, 003, 110-04-001, 002, 110-05-002, 110-06-002, 110-14-001, 002, 003A, 110-31-001). The request is made for testing, research and development of including, but not limited to firearms, weapons systems, emergency response systems, optical systems. The applicant is Ernie Mennes of Force Options 360 Tactical Training LLC and the property is 22,000 acres. The location is the Klondyke area.

The five individuals picked by the group spoke to the Commission.

Kathy Sergent, John Franzone, David Morse, Harold Lackner, and Wayne Curtis spoke in opposition to the request

The request was then made from the audience to have the representatives from Force Options 360 back to the podium to answer questions from the Klondyke residents.

Commissioner Carpenter moved to table this item until the September Commission meeting so that Force Options 360 can meet with the public and give them more information. Commissioner Curtis seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

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PLANNING AND ZONING STAFF COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION FROM PREVIOUS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTIONS: None

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: None

ADJOURNMENT: @ 11:20 a.m. by acclamation.

MINUTES ACCEPTED:

**Gene Robert Larson, Chairman
Planning & Zoning Commission**

Date

**Attest: _____
Joe Goodman, Director
Planning and Zoning Department**

Date