

**TOWN OF FAIRFAX  
GENERAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE (GPIC)  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE, TIME, PLACE:**

Thursday, November 13, 2014, 7:30 PM, Fairfax Women's Club

**PURPOSE OF MEETING:** Regular Meeting

**ATTENDANCE:**

GPIC MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ted Pugh, Volunteer Board; Vice Chair Shelley Hamilton, Planning Commission; Bruce Ackerman, Community; Diane Causey, GPAC (Adjourned); John Reed, Town Council

GPIC MEMBERS ABSENT: Secretary Cassidy DeBaker, Community; Mimi Newton, Open Space Committee

STAFF: Jim Moore, Planning Director (absent); Larry Kennings, Consultant

GUESTS: Hobart Bartshire, GPAC (Adjourned); Wendi Kallins, Coalition for a Livable Marin (CALM)

**ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN PRIOR TO THE NEXT MEETING:**

- **ALL:** Prepare to approve minutes from October 9, 2014 and November 13, 2014
- **ALL:** Prepare to discuss tabled items from this meeting at next meeting

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Pugh called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Guests introduced themselves.

**4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the October 9, 2014, meeting were not approved due to needed quorum from that meeting.

## **5. PLANNING DIRECTOR REPORT**

Consultant Kennings presented Planning Director Moore report

- Updated Housing Element for next cycle can be fast tracked
- Any unused sites from last Housing Element could be rolled in
- Joint Affordable Housing Committee and Planning Commission meeting proposed for November 20<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>
- Marin Climate Energy Partnership is near completion of country jurisdictions report card and it is scheduled to go on the web site 1/15/15; looks like Fairfax will be in the lead

Vice Chair Hamilton asked if new information on required numbers vis-à-vis the next Housing Element were known.

Member Reed asked what were written instructions for 5<sup>th</sup> cycle of 61 required units additional.

Consultant Kennings further commented that we have until 2016 to keep an approved Housing Element and instructions on numbers have been requested in writing. He further commented that to be on fast track, the draft needs to be submitted to the State by 1/31/15 and the final needs to be submitted by 5/31/15.

Guest Kallins commented that not being caught up in meeting the numbers would be good and pointed to the purpose of stabilizing housing prices. She felt Fairfax does a good job of seeking to accomplish something and does so in a way that strengthens the character of the town. She urges Fairfax to do something real.

Guest Bartshire commented that many people expressing concern over increasing housing are pointing to traffic has being the chief concern.

## **6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS AND REQUESTS**

None.

## **7. STATUS OF TRAFFIC FORUM/REPORT OF TRAFFIC COUNT WORK**

Member Ackerman outlined the timing and points of collection for the traffic count as well as the focus: to look at through traffic. He stated that between 7-9 AM and 3-6 PM, there was a significant increase in what looked like the number of people who live in Fairfax and work in San Francisco. He summarized by saying that traffic is coming from changes in demographics, not development, as Fairfax has not had any new development for some time, but traffic has been increasing. He added that different pieces of the traffic situation include: bicyclist, commercial shopping, and shifts in the way people live and work, including any increases in home services like nannies, housekeepers, and gardeners. The count was not able to capture data on motorists' stops and round trips. The timing and date for a Traffic Forum has yet to be decided.

## **8. DISCUSSION OF PIC ROLE, GOALS AND PRIORITIES**

Tabled for next meeting date.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS**

Tabled for next meeting date.

## **10. NEXT GPIC MEETING**

The next GPIC meeting will be on the regular date of the second Thursday of the month, December 11, 2014, 7:30 PM, at the Fairfax Women's Club.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 PM.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED** by Diane Causey, Acting Secretary

### **DISTRIBUTION:**

Draft minutes email to: Jim Moore, Larry Kennings