

CITY OF GRACE
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR & COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INPUT MEETING
HELD AT THE GRACE LEGION HALL
APRIL 13, 2023

PRESENT: Chairman Dave Pristupa
Commission Members: Kyle Bingham, Ralph Spackman, Mark Crabb
Zoning Clerk: Loy Raye Phillips

OTHERS PRESENT: Emma Morton -SICOG, Matt Loertscher, Riley Crookston, Jake Wright, Mary Ann Spackman, Callie Hamp, Ken Hamp, Larry Allen, Jackie Barthlome, Bart Benson

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INPUT COMMUNITY MEETING

Participants were asked to sign in and received an opinion poll to review, fill out and leave (see attachments).

Chairman Pristupa called the Comprehensive Plan Input meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., welcoming those in attendance, thanking them for attending.

Invocation: Commission Member Spackman

Pledge of Allegiance: Commission Member Bingham

Chairman Pristupa introduced Emma Morton from Southeast Idaho Council of Governments (SICOG).

Ms. Morton asked Matt Loertscher to give the media presentation on the City of Grace Wastewater Facility.

Mr. Loertscher presented a media presentation on the function of the wastewater facility. Mr. Loertscher's presentation showed how the waste comes into the plant and how the plant processes the waste. Mr. Loertscher showed how the different areas of the plant removed sludge and other items like toy cars, hair, wipes, tampons, diapers, etc. Mr. Loertscher discussed those items that have to be removed daily and why certain types of cleaners used to clear drains, etc., kill the bacteria needed to process the waste, the number of bacteria is important to take care of the micro bacteria and organic matter. Mr. Loertscher discussed the amount of testing that is required by the city for the water leaving the treatment facility, the temperature of the water leaving the facility and the particulates allowed, to stay in compliance with the Department of Water Quality (DEQ) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Mr. Loertscher, Jake Wright, and Superintendent Crookston answered questions from those in attendance about the age of the plant, the testing, wear of the equipment in the plant, and updates that had been made to the system.

Chairman Pristupa asked Mayor Barthlome about the Wastewater bond. Mayor Barthlome stated that the city had bonded for 3.2 M dollars and that Representative Simpson had given the city money from a fund for 2.5 M dollars which would be a total of 5.7M dollars to make updates and repairs to the wastewater system.

Ms. Morton presented the elements of the Comprehensive Plan that would be addressed. They are: School Facilities and Transportation, Economic Development, Land Use, Public Service Facilities, Utilities, Recreation, Transportation, and Housing. Ms. Morton explained the different areas set up for citizens to make suggestions and leave ideas. They were Strengths of Grace, Opportunities, Aspirations, Your 5 year vision, and your 10 year vision. Ms. Morton allowed time for the citizens to move around the individual areas and place ideas and suggestions.

Refreshments were served to those in attendance.

Ms. Morton closed the activity at 7:30 p.m.

ZONING CLERK

APPROVED: _____
CHAIRMAN/VICE CHAIRMAN

DATE: _____