

**KITTITAS COUNTY
CDS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, WEBEX
Regular Meeting**

MONDAY

1:30 PM

January 11, 2021

Board members present via WebEx: Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz.

Others via WebEx: Dan Carlson, Mike Flory, Pat Nicholson, and Jessica Miller Community Development Services; Mark Cook, Arden Thomas, Nicole Ogan, Rebecca Cruse, Joshua Fredrickson and Candie Leader, Public Works; Neil Caulkins, Prosecuting Attorney; and five (5) members of the public.

At 1:31 pm Chairman Brett Wachsmith opened the Community Development Services Study Session.

2020 CDS PERMIT ACTIVITY

CDS Director Dan Carlson presented the 2020 end of year numbers for Building permits, Planning projects and Fire Marshal activity. CDS began using the SmartGov software about the middle of 2017. We now have three full years of data and are able to use the reporting tools available on the software.

2020 FIRE MARSHAL INSPECTION/INVESTIGATION ACTIVITY

CDS Director Dan Carlson presented the 2020 end of the year numbers for the inspections completed by the Fire Marshal Department. The Fire Marshal Department conducted over 50 fire investigations where 4 suspects were apprehended and charged for arson from their investigations.

TIMELINES FOR SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM AND CRITICAL AREAS ORDINANCE UPDATES

CDS Director Dan Carlson presented. Our Shoreline Master Program periodic update is due June 13, 2020. For this year there are some minor amendments because recently we had adopted the Shoreline Master Program and had also adopted changes that came out of the settlement agreement with the Yakima Nation. The process for adopting requires a joint public hearing between our

Planning Commission and the Department of Ecology, this is currently scheduled for February 9, 2021. Next step is a public hearing with the Board that is tentatively planned for April 21, 2021. When this step is completed, it goes back to Ecology for 30 days for review and approval. The Critical Area Ordinance update is expected to be ready within the first half of the year. Our hired consultant is currently finishing up a PowerPoint video that can be uploaded to our website for people to view the changes. The Planning Commission will hold their hearing on March 9, 2021. It will then go before the Board tentatively on April 7, 2021.

2018 BUILDING CODE CYCLE UPDATE

CDS Director Dan Carlson presented an update on the 2018 building code cycle. On Friday, January 8, 2021 the State Building Code Council voted to extend the deadline for the new cycle to take effect from February 1, 2021 to July 1, 2021. The Governor has seven days to veto this decision. Since currently there is a lot of uncertainty, it is being requested to cancel the hearing set with the Board on January 19, 2021 and to reschedule after the decision is resolved. Commissioner Osiadacz directed CDS to put this topic on an upcoming agenda item this week for discussion and decision.

OTHER BUSINESS

There is no other business.

Meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.



Jessica Miller

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman