Session 12-13, a Regular Meeting of the Homer Advisory Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Erickson at 6:30 p.m. on October 3, 2012 at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS BOS, DOLMA, ERICKSON, SONNEBORN, STEAD, VENUTI

ABSENT: HIGHLAND

STAFF: CITY PLANNER ABBOUD

DEPUTY CITY CLERK JACOBSEN

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public may speak to the Planning Commission regarding matters on the agenda that are not scheduled for public hearing or plat consideration. (3 minute time limit).

RECONSIDERATION

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the consent agenda are considered routine and non-controversial by the Planning Commission and are approved in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Planning Commissioner or someone from the public, in which case the item will be moved to the regular agenda and considered in normal sequence.

1. Approval of the September 19, 2012 minutes

The consent agenda was approved by consensus of the Commission.

PRESENTATIONS

REPORTS

A. Staff Report PL 12-57, City Planner's Report

City Planner Abboud reviewed the staff report.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Testimony limited to 3 minutes per speaker. The Commission conducts Public Hearings by hearing a staff report, presentation by the applicant, hearing public testimony and then acting on the Public Hearing items. The Commission may question the public. Once the public hearing is closed the Commission cannot hear additional comments on the topic. The applicant is not held to the 3 minute time limit.

A. Staff Report PL 12-55, A Vacation of a 60' Right of Way at Sprucewood Drive

Chair Erickson asked if any Commissioners felt that they could not fairly act on the agenda items tonight since Commissioner Highland is one of the property owners. None of the Commissioners expressed any issues with acting on the business items.

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City Planner Abboud reviewed the staff report.

There were no comments from the applicant. Chair Erickson opened the public hearing. There was no audience present and the public hearing was closed.

VENUTI/DOLMA MOVED TO ADOPT STAFF REPORT PL 12-55 VACATION OF A PORTION OF SPRUCEWOOD DRIVE WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS AND FINDINGS 1-3.

There was brief discussion that this change, in conjunction with the proposed plat, cleans up what is already there.

YES: BOS, STEAD, SONNEBORN, VENUTI, ERICKSON, DOLMA

Motion carried.

PLAT CONSIDERATION

A. Staff Report PL 12-54, Mountain Park Sprucewood Replat

City Planner Abboud reviewed the staff report.

There were no comments from the applicant and there was no audience present to comment.

BOS/SONNEBORN I MOVE TO ADOPT STAFF REPORT PL 12-54 MOUNTAIN PARK SUBDIVISION SPRUCEWOOD REPLAT PRELIMINARY PLAT WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT

Motion carried.

B. Staff Report PL 12-56, Mountain Park Highland Addition No. 2

City Planner Abboud reviewed the staff report.

Comment was raised that this appears to be a straight forward request.

VENUTI/BOS MOVED TO ADOPT STAFF REPORT PL 12-56 MOUNTAIN PARK SUBDIVISION HIGHLAND ADDITION NO. 2 PRELIMINARY PLAT WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT

Motion carried.

PENDING BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

- A. City Manager's Report
- B. Natural Gas Plan
- C. FEMA Letter dated 09/19/2012

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

Members of the audience may address the Commission on any subject. (3 minute time limit)

Robert Archibald, City Resident, thanked the commission for time and service. He is a property owner of the lots considered tonight and told the Commission there are a lot of trail out there so come take a walk.

COMMENTS OF STAFF

Deputy City Clerk Jacobsen reminded the Commission to come to the Volunteer Appreciation Party on Friday night.

City Planner Abboud commented that they will be looking at the comments regarding Marine Commercial and will start soon on Marine Industrial.

COMMENTS OF THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Venuti raised questions about the sign code information they received. City Planner Abboud explained it is updates for their copies of the code.

Commissioner Bos said it was a nice packet tonight and a well run meeting.

There were no other Commissioner comments.

Chair Erickson thanked everyone for a good meeting.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 173, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers.

MELISSA JACOBSEN, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK	
Approved:	