

Bluff Town Council Work Session Minutes
November 7, 2023
Bluff Community Center at 9:00 a.m.
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Regular meetings are held the first three Tuesdays of every month at 6:00 p.m.

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The meeting started at 9:02 a.m.

Roll Call Mayor Ann K. Leppanen, Luanne Hook, Jim Sayers, Linda Sosa, Brant Murray
Erin Nelson Town Manager

1. Review and Discussion of Active Transportation Master Plan Final Draft

The Council appreciated the plan and the amount of work that went into it. Sosa would have preferred a smaller regional section but Leppanen noted that piece is aspirational and visual, a future possibility. Sayers said the plan looks great and called it an open door to a future statewide network. Hook noted the plan matched up to the General Plan and Strategic Plan. A couple of typos were corrected. Leppanen checked with Dan Hinckley, our regional engineer at UDOT, about the regulation right-of-way width, which is 10 to 12 feet, and UDOT works with obstacles. Also, this plan does not automatically drop the speed limit, he said UDOT makes that decision in the process of planning and construction. A reduced speed limit is important and Murray suggested a goal of a lowered speed limit by Spring. Leppanen explained it would need another speed study and coordination with various elements. Hook noted that if our town is picked for a project there will be more planning and Sayers said lowering speed may be easier if our plan is chosen.

2. Review and Discussion of Disconnect Petition and SITLA's Intervenor Motion

Leppanen gave the history of the disconnect. We were served with the Acton's petition to disconnect then we were served with the Petition to Intervene by SITLA. Chris McAnany sent Leppanen a draft response yesterday; it is a standard answer. The Acton petition was repetitive with focus on digs instead of data. SITLA's focus was to claim the Council was hostile and not open to working with them on the solar farm. McAnany's response addressed claims on the two petitions. The purpose of the response is to admit or deny what they are claiming. The response will be filled this week.

3. Discussion Regarding the Town's Sign Ordinance and Planning and Zoning's Possible Revisions

Leppanen and Amanda Podmore have been discussing the sign ordinance and suggest the enforcement part be suspended at this time to give P&Z time to review the sign ordinance. UDOT requires a letter from Bluff verifying the location of the Cadillac Ranch sign because it is in the right-of-way.

4. Other

None

Sayers motioned to close the meeting at 9:27 a.m., Murray seconded and Leppanen, Sosa, Murray, Hook and Sayers voted in favor.
Linda Sosa Recording Officer

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