

**Planning & Zoning Meeting – January 17, 2012**

Members in attendance: Chad Packingham, Orlie Workman, Susan Salee, Dan Oliphant and Tim Carson.  
Also in attendance: Chad Sands EICOG, Dan Swartzendruber of Linn County Planning and Zoning Department, and Doug Hanover.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Vice Chair Packingham with all members present.

Packingham made motion to amend the agenda and move up Item #4-Appoint P&Z Chairperson to #3-Comprehensive Plan. Salee seconded. All aye (5-0).

Motion to approve previous minutes made by Workman, seconded by Salee. All aye (5-0).

Oliphant made motion to appoint Packingham as Chairperson. Workman seconded. Workman-aye, Salee-aye, Oliphant-aye, Carson-aye, Packingham abstained. Motion approved. (4-1).

Chad Sands was present and reviewed the Comprehensive Plan, Land Use Map, and Fringe Area Agreement for any final changes. A revised agreement with an updated matrix on page 4 was reviewed. Oliphant asked about the agreement with Palo and Linn County and extending past Lone Tree Road. Discussion held. The agreement is with Cedar Rapids and is good for 10 years. Oliphant also thought there was an agreement going East with Hiawatha. Discussion held on joint meeting with Linn County. Due to a conflict of meeting dates Linn County has, the committee will plan on at the meeting next month, to hold a public hearing for the Comprehensive Plan and one for the Agreement and then recommend onto the City Council. Swartzendruber agreed that both groups had been working together already and felt there really wasn't a need to hold the joint meeting unless Palo felt the need, which they do not. Oliphant questioned property zoning designations and could it be changed after the Plan and Agreement is passed. Sands said it would still go before the P&Z as it normal would for any zoning request. Next meeting will be February 21<sup>st</sup> with Public Hearing starting at 6:30pm.

New Business. Will place appointing new Vice Chairperson on the agenda at the February meeting. Workman asked about the flashing stop sign. Hanover reported that the price checking on the sign came back high and it was put on the back burner by the City Council.

Workman made motion to adjourn at 6:55 pm. Oliphant seconded. All aye (5-0).

Respectfully,

Jenny Jellison  
City of Palo