

# MINUTES & NOTICE OF BOARD ACTION

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## LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Pursuant to notice made by mailing agendas to news media, a selected list of jurisdictions and individuals in Lane County, a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held.

Questions should be directed to The Board Office Specialist 3, ext. 4203.

May 14, 1991  
1:30 p.m.

JOINT BCC/LANE COUNTY  
PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioners'  
Conference Room

Chair Jack Roberts presided with Steve Cornacchia, Ellie Dumdi, Marie Frazier and Jerry Rust present from the Board of County Commissioners and Arthur Gardener, Gordon Howard, Steven Moe, Jo Taylor and Margaret Thumel present from the Lane County Planning Commission. Judy Haldeman, Recording Secretary.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

2. COMMISSIONER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION as per ORS 192.660

None.

4. DISCUSSION/Review of Urban Transition and Discussion Regarding the Planning Work Program for FY 91-91

The Board and the Planning Commission discussed land use laws and the role of the Planning Commission in land use decisions. Dumdi commented that she would like to hear what the Planning Commission thinks from an objective viewpoint and Cornacchia added that the Commissioners will make the economic and political decisions. Roberts commented that planning is making decisions now that will affect the way property is going to be used for many years to come.

Roy Burns, Land Management Manager, commented that it was appropriate that the Planning Commission consider the issue of Urban Transition as an element of their work plan. Cornacchia commented that personally he would like to be out of metro planning completely and commented that Urban Transition was a way to move toward that goal. This would allow the Lane

County Planning Division to deal with planning issues in the rest of the County.

Thumel expressed a concern that some of the ordinances that the Planning Commission reviews have economic impacts for the public and she commented that the Commission needs to be sensitive to these issues. Cornacchia commented that he wanted the Commission to make a decision based on what is best for the citizens of Lane County. Roberts commented that he would like the Commission to keep in mind that there was an advantage to having some conformity in terms of the regulations for planning and zoning that are dealt with in the city and the County. He stated that the real business growth and development is going to be driven by what happens within the urban environment and the County needs to work to try to influence this positively.

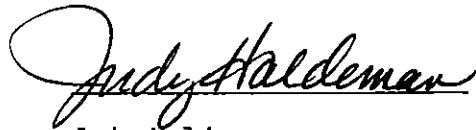
Cornacchia commented that the Board is committed to encouraging growth, but not at any cost and with the observance of state-wide planning goals. Frazier commented that the Planning Commission is charged with applying the state-wide goals and must look at issues from a technical point of view based on the guidelines. She stated that economic development is one of the primary considerations. She commented that the Urban Growth Boundaries (UGB) should not be treated as if they are already a part of the city and that the UGB is being used as a tool for annexation without a vote. Roberts commented that he was in favor of economic growth and would agree to encourage this growth in the compact urban area, though it puts a burden on the planning process.

Burns commented that he had identified four directions for staff to assist the Planning Commission: 1) increase the opportunity for the Planning Commission to review the proposed changes to development codes for Eugene and Springfield with adequate time prior to adoption of the code; 2) provide an opportunity for the Planning Commission to determine the adequacy of citizen involvement programs for the metropolitan code issues; 3) establish a work plan to review the strengths and weaknesses of the current Urban Transition Agreement and its administration; and 4) find out what is happening with the tree ordinance.

Jim Johnson, County Administrator, stated that he had had a request from the small cities to extend the Urban Transition Agreement from the metro area to the rural area. Howard commented that he would like to wait and see what comes out of the MPC (Metropolitan Policy Committee) discussion before this program is extended to other cities. Roberts commented that he was inclined to go slowly with this, as well.

Dumdi commented that she would like to have a joint meeting with the Lane County Planning Commission, the West Lane Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners. Cornacchia suggested that the West Lane Planning Commission be invited to the discussion of Urban Transition issues with the Lane County Planning Commission.

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Haldeman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Judy Haldeman  
Recording Secretary