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**Economic Development Committee Meeting
Thursday , June 27, 2024
5:00 p.m. – 5:50 p.m.
Council Chamber**

Council Members

Jeremy Nutting, Chair
Dep Mayor Harry Steinmetz, Vice Chair
Mayor Traci Buxton

City Staff

Tim George – Interim City Manager
Laura Techico – Planning and Development
Services Manager
Jason Woycke – Senior Planner
Peyton Murphy – Land Use Planner II
Alicia Jacobs – Land Use Planner
Dan Hopp – Building Official
Jamie Weigand – Asst Building Official
Scott Wilkins – Harbormaster
Jeff Friend – Finance Director
Tommy Owen – City Engineer
Matthew Hutchins – Interim City Attorney
Laura Hopp – Admin Coordinator I

Guests: Councilmembers Gene Achziger, Yoshiko Grace Matsui, Matt Mahoney
AHBL Consultant Wayne Carlson, Chuck Coleman

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Approval of April 25, 2024 Minutes

Minutes approved as submitted.

2. Comprehensive Plan Update – (Chapter 5: Capital Facilities, Utilities and Public Services, Chapter 6: Recreation and Open Space Elements)

Planning and Development Services Manager Laura Techico presented the update. Manager Techico provided a memo, mark-up pages of Chapters 5-6 (Item #2, Attachment #1), and also shared a Comprehensive Plan Update PowerPoint:

<https://desmoines.civicweb.net/document/341484/Comprehensive%20Plan%20Update%2006.27.2024.pdf?handle=882678EA2D124629869AB056F593BB3E>

Manager Techico explained that Community Development staff have been presenting these updates to the Comprehensive Plan to various council committees over the last few months. Chapter 5 helps determine the right facilities are in the right place to support the development that is planned in the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Element.

The committee discussed:

- Coordination with utility service providers and capacity for growth

- Agency Comprehensive Plans are reviewed by City Council. The Council may provide feedback; however, each service provider is the final authority over their individual plan.
- The Growth Management Act and how it impacts development requirements
- Suggestion for creating a new category of Review Plans as it relates to Utilities and Public Services

Chapter 6 of the Comprehensive Plan is the City's 2022 Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Master Plan.

Committee updates will continue through the Summer/Fall of 2024.

3. Noise Code for New Construction

Interim City Manager Tim George and Building Official Dan Hopp provided a Memo (Item #3 Attachment) with the Subject: Adoption of Sound Requirement for New Buildings to Address Airport Noise. This item is in response to a question regarding the 2012 Council's decision to repeal the City's noise code for residential building. There has been a renewed concern about returning the noise code to DMMC. Reinstating the previous noise code is not as simple as it sounds. Building codes have been updated over the years to include more stringent requirements. Additionally, a recent Energy Code adoption may address some of the noise issues. The City hasn't yet received a permit application for residential building under the new Energy Code requirements and so can't quantify the changes at this time. The Committee requested staff continue research and review nearby airport impacted Municipalities' noise code for future committee consideration.

Adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Jodi Grager, Public Works Administrative Coordinator