PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATION

Meeting Date:
March 27, 2013

Presented by:
Matt Blakely

Item:
Community Development Report

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Discussion X

KEY POINTS/SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

1. **Issued Building Permits:**
   - 2011 Single-Family Residential Total = 132
   - 2012 Single-Family Residential Total = 141
   - 2013 Single-Family Residential February = 21
   - 2013 Single-Family Residential YTD (1/1/13 to 3/20/13) = 48

2. **Comprehensive Plan Update:**
   The Steering Committee met on 02/20/13 to discuss the draft plan. The Public Open House was held on 03/05/13. The Town Council and Planning Commission held a joint Work Session on 03/13/13. The plan is being finalized by Orion Planning Group and will be scheduled to be heard by the Planning Commission at a Public Hearing on 04/10/13. The Planning Commission will be forwarding their recommendations on to the Town Council for a Public Hearing tentatively scheduled for 04/23/13 for adoption by Resolution.

3. **GOCO Planning Grant Application:**
   Staff submitted for the Planning Grant Application on March 6, 2013. If successful the grants will be announced on June 11, 2013.

4. **Larimer County – Our Lands-Our Future Study Update:**
   Larimer County, recently released the results of a survey about land conservation, stewardship, and outdoor recreation. The citizen survey, administered by RRC Associates, investigated use and satisfaction with trails, natural areas and nature-based facilities, values for open space, and views on natural areas and trail management. The survey results will help open space managers with future planning and policy. The survey is one element of Our Lands - Our Future, a comprehensive study of regional land conservation, stewardship, and outdoor recreation. The full report is posted on Larimer County's website... ([http://larimer.org/ourlands ourfuture](http://larimer.org/ourlands ourfuture)).

**Further Opportunities:**
The Our Lands-Our Future study is ongoing with further public outreach tools being implemented. Another opportunity for input is a second survey ([http://www.rrcinfo.com/Larimer](http://www.rrcinfo.com/Larimer)) to further refine and clarify priorities. At the end of the survey, the public is invited to view a mapping tool that allows exploration of lands and conservation values in Larimer County and the Growth Management Area of Windsor. The GIS map ([http://tplgis.org/OurLands-OurFuture/](http://tplgis.org/OurLands-OurFuture/)) is also available on line.

Partners in Our Lands - Our Future include Larimer County, the Cities of Fort Collins and Loveland, and the Towns of Berthoud, Estes Park, Johnstown, Timnath, Wellington and Windsor. Free presentations about the Our Lands- Our Future project are available for groups at any time and can be scheduled by contacting Zac Wiebe, Larimer County at zweibe@larimer.org.
Recent Press Release:

“We need your feedback! Larimer County has partnered with all its municipalities to study past achievements, opportunities and possible gaps in our region’s land conservation, open space, and outdoor recreation programs. This effort, titled Our Lands—Our Future, has several components and we’re excited to announce two recent ones, a new citizen survey and an online, interactive mapping site designed to collect citizen input. Both tools will help better gauge citizen values and provide direction for how your open space tax dollars are spent in the future. Let us hear your voice!

Visit http://www.larimer.org/ourlands_ourfuture/ to take the survey, use the mapping tool and learn more about the project. Please forward this information to any groups or individual you think may be interested.”

5. Current Development Actions:
   a. Dean Contracting Site Plan: Planning Commission unanimously approved the Dean Contracting Site Plan at their Regular Meeting on February 6, 2013. The owner/applicant has submitted for a Building Permit that is currently under review, pending an approved Administrative Plat and an approved fencing alternative.
   b. Timnath South First Filing, 2nd Amended Final Plat: Staff is waiting on the resubmittal.
   c. Harmony Subdivision 3rd Filing, PD Overlay Amendment, and Preliminary Plat Amendment: Staff has reviewed and issued comments to the owner/applicant and have received a resubmittal that is currently being re-reviewed.
   d. Riverbend Preliminary and Final Plat: The applicant is preparing to resubmit a revised Preliminary Plat as well as a Final Plat for Staff review.
   e. Harmony Subdivision 4th Filing: The owner/applicant has submitted final plat and construction plans for staff review. This filing includes 70 single-family residential lots located within the northeast portion of Harmony.
   f. Timnath Ranch 1st Filing Planned Development Overlay: The owner/applicant has submitted for review a PD Overlay Rezoning Application to change the side yard setbacks from 7’ to 5’.
   g. Timnath Presbyterian Church Columbarium Site Plan: The application has submitted a Site Plan for the addition of a columbarium located just north of the church’s main entrance.
   h. Wildwing Administrative Plat: the owner/applicant has submitted an Administrative Plat to change the side yard setbacks on 10 lots from 20’ to 10’. A replat is required because the setbacks were platted with the original filing.

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