

CITY OF LEAD COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
July 20, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Chair called the meeting to order at 11:05 am

PRESENT: Commission Members: Gordon Phillips, Robin Lucero, Kayla Klein, and Pam Hamilton. Quorum established. Also Present: Kailey Snider and Julianne Graham, Black Hills Council of Local Governments; Levi Wilson, Planning and Zoning; Emma Garvin, DLED

MINUTES: Call to approve minutes from June 15th. Approved by unanimous consent.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Continued discussion of the new Comprehensive Plan led by Kailey.
- Trails meeting was held June 29th with USFS, Black Hills Trails, Deadwood Outdoor Recreation. NH Trails not present. Discussed steps needs to connect local trails with FS trails. NEPA assessment and permanent easement required if crossing private land. Would be difficult. A stacked looping system is recommended (successive trail loops are "stacked" upon each other, connecting in ways that give users options for extended distance or varied routes). The group also recommended that Lead focus inward (on city and nearby trails) first, then work outward. Many players in the game! Suggestions were to work with BH Trails to form a committee of stakeholders who know the area well, and then develop a preliminary trails master plan similar to Hill City effort.
- Next 1:1 meeting is with LDED (Emma Garvin) and Lead Chamber (Leigha Patterson). Date TBD.
- School Board/Land Use 1:1 meeting is planned. Could be done as part of the next regularly scheduled land use meeting. Emma will request to be added to the agenda with Kailey and Comp Plan board members invited.
- Pam reached out to SURF management team about a 1:1 meeting to review survey results. No response to a meeting at this point. Emma briefed the group on some short and long term housing options being discussed with SURF. A meeting with SURF to discuss housing-related concerns and projections for future growth would be beneficial, more than just survey results review.
- Visioning community meetings still planned for September/October. Results of these meeting will drive much of the future work on the Comp Plan. September 19th is the tentative date for both an afternoon and evening meeting. We will discuss the agenda and communications plan at the August meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Motion to move the August meeting from August 17 to August 24. (m/Klein s/Lucero) Motion passed.
- Levi briefed the board on a federal funding opportunity through the US Economic Development Administration called the Recompete Grant. Lead qualifies for this grant based on prime age employment (25-54 years) below the national average. Both the City of Lead and DLED were also aware of the grant. Applications due Oct 5th so the tight timeline makes it difficult to develop a compelling application. Emma suggested a smaller regional grant may make more sense, possibly a planning grant to define/scope/vision a project that could be eligible for a larger grant.

ANNOUNCED NEXT MEETING (August 24, 2023, 11:00 am at City Hall)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion for adjournment (m/Hamilton s/Lucero) – Meeting adjourned at 12:11pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Hamilton, Secretary

City of Lead
Comprehensive Plan Commission

Gordon D. Phillips, Chairman