

1 Providence City Planning Commission
2 Providence City Office Building, 164 North Gateway Drive, Providence UT 84332
3 August 22, 2018 6:00 p.m.
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5 **Call to Order:** Gary Sonntag, Vice Chair
6 Attendance: Voting: R Cecil, G Sonntag, B Perry
7 Voting Alternate: B Perry
8 Excused: R James, J Parker, R Holloway, A Bearson
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10 **Approval of the Minutes:**

11 **Item No. 1.** The Planning Commission will consider approval of the minutes for July 25, 2018.

12 Motion to approve the minutes from July 25, 2018 R Cecil –, second – B Perry

13 Vote:

14 Yea: R Cecil, B Perry, G Sonntag

15 Nay: None

16 Abstained: None

17 Excused: R James, John Parker, R Holloway, A Bearson

18 Excused Alternate:

- 19 • Page 2 line 54 - reporting unauthorized discharge
20 • Page 2 line 55 - encourage promoting irrigation on non-peak
21 • Page 3 line 6 - evaluate and protect water shed in point source
22 • Page 3 line 22 – 3e develop a public education program and explaining what are acceptable discharges
23 • Page 3 line 30 – first item is 4a not 4b
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25 **Item No. 2.** The Planning Commission will consider approval of the minutes for August 8, 2018.

26 Motion to approve the minutes from August 8, 2018 – B Perry, second – R Cecil

27 Vote:

28 Yea: R Cecil, B Perry, G Sonntag, B Fresz

29 Nay: None

30 Abstained: None

31 Excused: R James, John Parker, R Holloway, A Bearson

32 Excused Alternate:
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34 **Public Comments:** Citizens may appear before the Planning Commission to express their views on issues within
35 the City's jurisdiction. Comments will be addressed to the Commission. Remarks are limited to 3 minutes per
36 person. The total time allotted to public comment is 15 minutes.

- 37 • S Eames stated she has permission from Brent Speth to speak for Spring Creek Water Company. She
38 brought attention to Chapter 9 page 2 item 1 and item H of the General Plan. She explained Spring Creek
39 Water has no interest in any way to provide water for secondary systems.
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41 **Public Hearing(s): None**
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43 **Action Item(s): None**
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45 **Study Items(s):**

46 **Item No. 1. General Plan:** The Providence Planning Commission will discuss a draft of general plan Chapters: 5 –
47 Land Use, Neighborhoods, & Design, 6 – Transportation Systems, 7 – Moderate Income Housing, 8 – Environmental
48 Stewardship, 9 – Public Services, 10 Public Safety and Emergency Management, and 11 – Annexation Policy Plan.
49 The Commission will discuss maps associated with the general plan, including but not limited to: transportation
50 corridor plan, future rezone of existing districts, and zone districts of future annexations (Discussion time
51 approximately 60 minutes)

- 52 • Providence City will provide a safe, efficient and effective transportation system used by vehicles and
53 pedestrians affording access to all residents and businesses within the City and to the surrounding region.
54 • **Objective 1** – Improve pedestrian safety, walkability and accessibility on City streets, rights of ways and
55 easements.

- 1 ○ 1a – Develop a city-wide inventory of existing sidewalks, crosswalks, pathways and trails and their
- 2 location, condition, gaps, access and inter-connecting points.
- 3 ○ 1b – Perform a street safety survey using crash data from Cache County Sheriff’s Office to identify
- 4 problem areas and identify solutions.
- 5 ○ 1c – Identify compliance with ADA standards, conflicts with vehicular traffic and hazards.
- 6 ○ 1d – Implement traffic calming measures where the potential for frequent pedestrian, vehicular and
- 7 bicycle/vehicular conflicts had been identified, based on feedback from Providence citizens and available
- 8 crash data.
- 9 ○ 1f e – Determine what improvements are needed, prepare estimates, secure a budget, complete design
- 10 and perform construction
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- 12 ● **Objective 2** – Create a network of bicycle and pedestrian pathways throughout Providence.
- 13 ○ 2a – Utilize the Cache Countywide Trail Master Plan and work with the Cache Trails Coordinator to survey
- 14 and identify bicycle and pedestrian pathways. Involve citizen input from residential, commercial,
- 15 educational and seniors.
- 16 ~~○ 2b – Develop a pedestrian route that improves walkability in mixed-use developments and commercial~~
- 17 ~~areas.~~
- 18 ○ 2b e – Determine project improvements, estimate, budget and design and complete construction.
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- 20 ● **Objective 3** – Improve the aesthetics of streets and public rights of way.
- 21 ○ 3a – Develop and adopt a streetscape design framework for the City to guide future development
- 22 patterns and to make functional and aesthetic improvements to existing public street right-of-ways.
- 23 ○ 3b – ~~Prepare requirements~~ Establish standards for appropriate landscaping trees and placement of trees
- 24 to minimize damage to infrastructure in public right-of-ways.
- 25 ○ 3c – ~~Require Promote LED decorative street lights that are “dark sky” compatible compliant.~~ Evaluate city
- 26 street light options for dark sky compatibility, energy efficiency, maintainability and esthetics.
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- 28 ● **Objective 4** – Provide better inter-City street connections and linkage to local and regional transportation
- 29 systems. ~~including transit.~~
- 30 ○ 4a – Inventory and identify City streets per FHWA standards. ~~minor collector, major collector, arterial,~~
- 31 ~~County, State, private and alleys.~~
- 32 ○ 4b – Prepare maps showing all City streets, County roads, State highways, Private roads, alleys,
- 33 connections to neighboring streets and roads.
- 34 ○ 4c – Coordinate with Cache Valley Transit District to identify future bus route and stop locations that are
- 35 strategically placed to encourage and maximize ridership.
- 36 ○ 4d – Prepare a map with mass transit routing and stops.
- 37 ○ 4e – ~~Prepare requirement to only allow a cul-de-sac on street alignment that is compromised by steep~~
- 38 ~~slopes, hill sides, waterways and other similar topographic obstacles.~~
- 39 ○ 4e – Develop a vehicle and access management plan.
- 40 ○ 4f – Cul- de- sac - connectivity.
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- 42 ● **Objective 5** – Plan and construct transportation improvements within the City of Providence and inter
- 43 connection for surrounding regions.
- 44 ○ 5a – Coordinate with and make application for funding to the Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization
- 45 (CMPO) for transportation improvements. ~~that include streets, sidewalks, pathways and trails.~~
- 46 ~~○ 5b – Determine what improvements are needed, prepare estimates, budgets, design and complete~~
- 47 ~~construction.~~
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- 49 ~~● Objective 6 – Minimize negative impacts to existing neighborhoods and commercial development along~~
- 50 ~~transportation corridors.~~
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- 52 ● **Objective 7 6** – Preserve right of way widths to limit future roadway expansions solely for vehicular use.
- 53 It was suggested using the sentence below as the objective.
- 54 Identify future transportation corridors and street types that will accommodate a connected multi-modal
- 55 transportation system in Providence and the surrounding region.

- 1 ○ 6a – Develop a standard cross section that will accommodate vehicular traffic, bicycles, pedestrian
- 2 crosswalks, vehicle parking, street lighting, traffic lighting, curb and gutter, irrigation sidewalks,
- 3 landscaping, public utility routes (overhead and underground) and easements and street intersections.
- 4 ○ 6b – Prepare maps and standard details and diagrams.
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- 6 ~~● Objective 8.7 – Improve the “walkability” and “bike ability” of Providence and provide options for non-~~
- 7 ~~drivers (especially the young, elderly, and those without a personal vehicle) to safely and efficiently travel~~
- 8 ~~throughout the City-~~
- 9 ~~○ 7a – Survey citizens and business owners regarding existing and desired pedestrian and bicycle routes-~~
- 10 ~~○ 7b – Identify future areas of the city where development allows a mix of uses that can provide a range of~~
- 11 ~~services within walking and biking distance of residential dwellings-~~
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13 G Sonntag will rework chapter 6 and present it in the next draft.

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15 B Fresz felt there needs to be an objective for chapter 9/public utilities –whenever possible public utilities need to

16 be in dedicated public right of ways.

17 B fresz suggested the following strategy for the above objective – whenever possible avoid easements on private

18 land.

19 A second suggested strategy for the above objective – Set standards for public utilities and widths of easements.

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21 B Fresz explained the utilities need to be addressed in Chapter 7.

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23 G Sonntag explained the City needs to have the functional classifications map of the roads identified in order to

24 converse amongst the commission, the NPO, The Department of Transportation and anyone else. The roads that

25 are identified need to make sense.

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27 S Bankhead explained the difficulty of looking at the current map. You are not able to determine by looking at it if

28 it is a 66ft right of way with a 30ft asphalt pad or a 66 ft. right of way with a 37ft asphalt pad.

29 She explained a different designation is needed other than saying “future traffic corridor 66ft right of way.” If it is

30 designated in the general plan it will let developers know if they are required to put down 30 or 37ft of asphalt and

31 why it is required.

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33 S Bankhead explained a justification in the general plan explaining the difference between a local road and a minor

34 collector road is needed. M Pierce agreed that this should be done.

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36 **Item No. 2. Cul-de-Sacs.** The Providence Planning Commission will discuss cul-de-sac placement and trail and/or

37 walking path connectivity.

- 38 ● S Bankhead explained people will come in with plans that have cul-de-sacs. The plans meet the
- 39 ordinance but not the general plan. She explained the city does have an existing code that the city may
- 40 require walking paths and/or trails. S Bankhead stated she feels it is very important and helpful to clearly
- 41 express the city’s intent.
- 42 ● S Bankhead paraphrased the current ordinance explaining it requires paths be 8 ft. wide. The city has to
- 43 approve surfacing and may require wider paths if deemed necessary. The city would have to maintain it.
- 44 ● G Sonntag explained if cul-de-sacs are not allowed there needs to be some avenue for developers to get a
- 45 variance that has some criteria to follow.
- 46 ● M Pierce explained he has seen cities that have said no cul-de-sacs and the consequences it has caused.
- 47 ● S Bankhead suggested adding language that if a cul-de-sac is built a snow load area must be developed
- 48 and designated within the cul-de-sac. M Pierce explained this type of designated area is extremely hard
- 49 to keep sacred if you are not paying attention. Keeping up and maintaining the vacant area is very
- 50 difficult.
- 51 ● G Sonntag suggested allowing cul-de-sacs but requiring them to be large enough for everything. Snow
- 52 removal, turn around, etc.
- 53 ● B Perry felt a good access management plan will help with cul-de-sacs.
- 54 ● B Fresz explained the importance of not losing connectivity of cul-de-sacs.

- 1 • G Sonntag explained this topic needs more discussion.
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3 **Reports:**

4 Staff Reports: Any items presented by Providence City Staff will be presented as informational only.

5 S Bankhead explained the City Council approved the tax increase. They also approved the ordinance annexing the
6 parcel on 500 North West of Providence Hollows, phase 1. It is zoned SFT.

7 S Bankhead explained the ordinance for secondary water systems that was presented at the city council meeting.

8 She explained the ordinance does not require anyone to hook up to the system nor does it state it will take
9 residents water shares.

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11 Commission Reports: Items presented by the Commission Members will be presented as informational only; no
12 formal action will be taken.

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15 Motion to adjourn –R Cecil, second –

16 Vote:

17 Yea: R Cecil, B Perry, G Sonntag

18 Nay: None

19 Abstained: None

20 Excused: R James, John Parker, R Holloway, A Bearson

21 Excused Alternate:
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24 Meeting adjourned approximately 8:49 PM

25 Minutes prepared by Mindi Petersen
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27 **APPROVED 09/12/2018**
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Robert James, Chair

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Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder