

MINUTES

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

PLANNING AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

2:45 p.m.

Civil War Museum
Fitzgerald Gallery (2nd Floor)
5400 First Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53140

Present:

Excused:

Committee Members:

Daniel S. Schmidt, Chairman
Daniel W. Stoffel, Vice-Chairman
Charles L. Colman
José M. Delgado
Robert W. Pitts
Nancy Russell
Linda J. Seemeyer
Peggy L. Shumway
David L. Stroik

Gilbert B. Bakke
William R. Drew
David L. Eberle
John Rogers

Staff:

Kenneth R. Yunker
Nancy M. Anderson
Elizabeth A. Larsen
Debra A. D'Amico

Executive Director
Chief Community Assistance Planner
Business Manager
Executive Secretary

ROLL CALL

Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared present. Mr. Yunker noted for the record that Commissioners Bakke, Drew, Eberle, and Rogers had asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2013

Chairman Schmidt asked if there were any changes or additions to the February 5, 2013, meeting minutes.

Ms. Russell requested an edit to be made on Page 5 to the fourth paragraph to clarify that she was asking how the public comment regarding the job/housing balance analysis would be addressed. She stated that she agreed

with the changes to the planning report proposed in the Secretary's Note that clarify that an individual community in a sub-area with more than one sewer community may have a balance between jobs and housing, even though the sub-area as a whole has an imbalance. Mr. Yunker stated that the phrase, "would be addressed," will be added to the end of the sentence to clarify her comment, and the change would be made to the official copy of the minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Stoffel, seconded by Mr. Stroik, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the meeting of February 5, 2013, were approved as amended.

CONSIDERATION OF SEWRPC COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PLANNING REPORT NO. 134 (3RD EDITION), A PARK AND OPEN SPACE PLAN FOR RACINE COUNTY

Chairman Schmidt asked Mr. Yunker to briefly review with the Committee Community Assistance Planning Report No. 134 (3rd Edition), *A Park and Open Space Plan for Racine County*. Mr. Yunker gave a brief overview of *A Park and Open Space Plan for Racine County*, highlighting the recommendations of the plan. He noted that this third edition serves to update, refine, and detail the regional park and open space plan within Racine County. He also stated that the plan provides recommendations through the year 2035 for park and outdoor recreation facilities and open space preservation within Racine County, and updates and extends the last plan developed about 10 years ago. He added that the plan was developed in cooperation with Racine County staff, and was approved by the Racine County Park and Open Space Plan Advisory Committee; the Racine County Board Public Works, Parks, and Facilities Committee; and the Racine County Board Economic Development and Land Use Planning Committee; and, was adopted by the Racine County Board of Supervisors.

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Colman, Mr. Yunker stated that at the request of local governments and the State, the Commission staff will conduct field delineations of primary and secondary environmental corridors, isolated natural resource areas, natural areas, and wetlands throughout the seven county Region.

There being no further questions or discussion, on a motion by Mr. Colman, seconded by Mr. Delgado, and carried unanimously, the Community Assistance Planning Report No. 134 (3rd Edition), *A Park and Open Space Plan for Racine County* was approved and recommended for Commission adoption.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Schmidt asked Mr. Yunker if there was any correspondence or announcements.

Mr. Yunker reported that there was no correspondence. He noted that the next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for May 7, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. He indicated that there may be a need for an additional Committee meeting prior to the full Commission meeting on June 19, 2013. He suggested that this additional meeting be scheduled about one week prior to the full Commission meeting, and he suggested Tuesday, June 4, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. at the Commission offices. He explained that the City of Waukesha is pursuing an application for Lake Michigan water for a proposed water service area that is based on the planned Waukesha sanitary sewer area. The City of Waukesha has recently requested the Commission staff to adjust the proposed water service area to remove most of the Town of Waukesha, as has been requested by the Town of Waukesha. Mr. Yunker stated that adjustment of the planned water service area, and sanitary sewer service area, would be the subject of the June Committee meeting, if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Ms. Shumway, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R. Yunker
Deputy Secretary

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