



PLANNING BOARD AGENDA

January 18, 2023 – 10AM | Council Chambers, City Hall

1. **Call meeting to order** | Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. Regular Meeting: November 21, 2022 – No December Meeting
3. **Public Comment Non-Agenda Items** – Members of the audience may comment on any non-agenda item. State Statute prohibits the City Council from discussing any introduced item. The Council limits each person to three minutes to ensure there is sufficient time for all comments. The Council respects all comments and will have staff follow up any questions.
4. **Public Hearing:(s)**
5. **Reports:**
 - a. Economic Growth and Development:
 - b. Downtown Historic Preservation:
 - c. Chamber of Commerce:
6. **Continued Business:** - The Board accepts public comment at the end of each item.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. Review Preliminary Draft Community Survey from Great West – Jordan
 - b. 5-year Goals – Jordan and Council President Bauman
8. **Staff or Committee Comments:**
9. **Announcement of the next meeting:**
 - a. Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 10AM. -Monday the 20th is a holiday.
10. **Adjournment**

Planning Board Mission Statement:

The Planning Board works to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community of Deer Lodge in a responsible and equitable way. It accomplishes this through the gathering of local input, the desire for community vibrancy, and the knowledge that our decision-making today supports the future of the community.

Note: A plan with no action remains nothing more than a plan!

Planning Board for the City of Deer Lodge meets in the Council Chambers.
300 Main Street, Deer Lodge, MT 59722

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CITY OF DEER LODGE

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

November 21, 2022 – 10:00 AM | Council Chambers, City Hall.

Members Present: Amanda Cooley, Rick Buck, Dan Sager, Dick Bauman, Kathy Bair
Member Absent: Amber Brown, Rand Dickson
Mayor: Absent
CAO: Jordan Green
Council Member: None
Staff: None
Guests: See sign in sheet

1. Call Meeting to Order | Pledge of Allegiance

Interim Chairperson Sager called the meeting to order at 10:00AM, all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Meeting – September 19, 2022, and October 3, 2022
Member Bauman motioned to approve as presented. Member Cooley seconded the motion. 5 Ayes, 0 No's, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

3. Public Comment Non-Agenda Items:

a. None

4. Public Hearings:

a. None

5. Reports:

a. Economic Growth and Development:
No November meeting.

- b. Downtown Historic Preservation:
Discussed signs, moving forward with the Rob Worth grant application, discussed a Mission Statement.
- c. Chamber of Commerce:
Theme Santa Workshop this year, discussed the Christmas parade. Discussed Pint Night.

6. Continued Business | The Board accepts public comment at the end of each item.

- a. None

7. New Business | The Board accepts public comment at the end of each item.

- a. Meet with Great West Engineering to discuss Growth Policy Update Proposal – Jordan
Jerry and Cody with Great West Engineer were present to discuss the recommendation from City Council to update the Growth Policy. MCA 76-601 Growth Policy Content was provided to committee to reference what is required for a Growth Policy update along with staff RFP and Great West proposal. Discussed doing a survey to the public beginning in January 2023.
- b. Dispensary Business Zoning – Jordan
Discussed best practice to regulate businesses in town. Interim Zoning Ordinance 2022-1 was presented showing what's currently in place and discussed Interim Regulations within Ordinance 2022-1. Out of the voting process from November 8, 2022, the final vote was:

<p>Adult-Use Marijuana Dispensaries 53% (628) for 47% (552) against</p> <p>Medical Marijuana Dispensaries 58% (681) for 42% (484) against</p> <p>Combined-Use Marijuana Licensees 52% (606) for 48% (568) against</p> <p>Cultivators of Marijuana Products 50% (587) for 50% (581) against Recount occurred and confirmed "FOR" result</p>	<p>Manufacturers of Marijuana Products 51% (594) for 49% (569) against</p> <p>Marijuana Transporter Facilities 49% (568) for 51% (603) against</p> <p>Testing Laboratories 51% (592) for 49% (569) against</p>
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Member Colley motioned recommendation to City Council the bullet points listed below. Member Bauman seconded the motion. 5 Ayes, 0 No's, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

- Conditional Use in the B-1: Central Business District and Permitted Use in the B-2: Highway Business District.
- Require a Zoning Permit for building inspector, fire chief, and health department review (also at state level).
- State minimum on distance from places of worship and public schools: 500 feet and on same street.
- Research if we can have a cap on the number of dispensaries.
- Research the legality of a signage restriction ordinance. Jordan to research signage language.

- c. Other Marijuana Business Type Zoning
No recommendations at this time from the Planning Board. Discussed cultivators and manufacturing.

8. Committee Comments or Concerns:

- a. None

9. Announcement of the next meeting:

- a. December 19, 2022, at 10:00 AM (if needed)

10. Adjournment:

- a. The meeting was adjourned, by consensus at 12:03PM.

Prepared by Cyndi Thompson, City Clerk

Amber Brown, Chairperson

Date

Draft Deer Lodge Community Survey

The City is working on updating its community plan (Growth Policy). The Growth Policy is meant to be a guide for addressing the various issues and opportunities that City residents face. In order to ensure that the updated plan reflects your concerns and need, please complete the following community survey.

1. How would you rate Deer Lodge as a place to live?

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Poor

2. Where do you live?

- ☐ Within City limits
- ☐ Adjacent to the City
- ☐ Elsewhere in Powell County
- ☐ Elsewhere in Montana
- ☐ Other (please specify)

3. What is your age?

- ☐ Under 21 years of age
- ☐ 21-35 years of age
- ☐ 36-50 years of age
- ☐ 51-65 years of age
- ☐ Over 65 years of age

4. Do you rent or own your housing?

☐ Own

☐ Rent

5. Do you think the City needs additional residential or commercial development?

☐ Needs additional housing

☐ Needs additional commercial/business development

☐ Do not need any new development

☐ Other (please specify)

6. What do you like about living in Deer Lodge?

☐ Quality of life

☐ Sense of community

☐ Safe place to live

☐ Rural lifestyle

☐ Recreation opportunities

☐ Services provided by the City

☐ Community events

☐ History of the community

☐ Other (please specify)

7. What do you think Deer Lodge's current identity is? I.e. "prison town", historic community, declining, on the upswing. In your own words describe the City today.

8. What should Deer Lodge's identity be in the future? In a few words describe what you think the City should become.

9. If given the opportunity, what would you improve about Deer Lodge?

- ☐ Job/business opportunities
- ☐ Housing options
- ☐ Infrastructure provided by the City (sewer, streets, water, stormwater, etc.)
- ☐ Parks and Recreation (trails/sidewalks, entertainment, gathering spaces, etc.)
- ☐ Community services (emergency services, library, law enforcement, etc.)
- ☐ Youth services (recreation programs and facilities)
- ☐ Historic preservation of downtown
- ☐ Other (please specify)

10. Which of these topics are of greatest importance to you? Please rank them 1 through 9, with 1 being the highest importance.

- ☐ Economic development (new jobs and businesses)
- ☐ Residential development (additional housing)
- ☐ City infrastructure (water, sewer, streets)
- ☐ Parks and recreation (entertainment, public gathering spaces etc.)
- ☐ Local services i.e. emergency services, library, senior services etc.
- ☐ Maintaining and promoting historic character of the City
- ☐ Youth services (programs and facilities)
- ☐ Natural resources (water, trees, community gardens)
- ☐ Promote Deer Lodge as a great place to live and work

11. What is your occupation?

- ☐ Agriculture
- ☐ Mining
- ☐ Timber harvest
- ☐ Retail sales
- ☐ Government (local, state, federal)
- ☐ Arts, entertainment or recreation
- ☐ Food and accommodations
- ☐ Montana Department of Corrections
- ☐ Student
- ☐ Retired
- ☐ Unemployed
- ☐ Other (please specify)

12. If you would like be kept informed about the results of this survey, please provide us with your email address.

13. For more information on this survey, please contact Jordan Green, the City's Chief Administrative Officer at (406) 594-1896 or jgreen@cityofdeerlodgemt.gov