



PORT OF CHELAN COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Special Comprehensive Plan Partners' Forum
And Public Open House
285 Technology Center Way, Wenatchee, WA 98801
December 11th, 2007
3:00 pm

Present:	Michael H. Mackey, President Craig N. Larsen, Secretary Mark Urdahl, Executive Director	Pete Fraley, Legal Counsel Ron Johnston-Rodriguez, Dir Economic Development Judy Bradford, Recording Secretary Karyn Criswell/ JD White Corp, a division of Berger Abam
Facilitators:	John White/JD White Corp, a division of Berger Abam Lisa Parks/Alliance Consulting Group	
Stakeholders:	George Valison/Columbia Cascade Wine Assn Jim Huffman/Commissioner-Port of Douglas Co Jesus Hernandez/Wenatchee School District Board Jon Eberle/Development Partners Laura Mounter/Laura Mounter Real Estate	Dave Fonfara/City of Chelan Jeff Wilkens/Wenatchee Valley Transportation Council Alan Moen/Entiat Valley resident John Guenther/Director-Chelan Co Community Planning

Commissioner Mike Mackey called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm in the Okanogan River Room at the Confluence Technology Center. Commissioner Mackey explained Commissioner JC Baldwin was ill and unable to attend. Introductions were made.

John White provided a brief overview of the Port's comprehensive plan update process and briefly explained what a comprehensive plan is and is not. He reiterated what is being discussed is a "review only".

Mark Urdahl briefly reviewed the feedback from the forty plus interviews conducted earlier in the fall with selected community business leaders throughout the county. From all the interviews, there seemed to be consensus on five items: 1) Pangborn Memorial Airport needs to be viable and is vital to keep the area connected to the rest of the nation and the world; 2) the Port needs to be more transparent and communicate more with county residents; 3) the Port needs to expand, retain and attract technologically sound and green businesses; 4) there is support for public-private mixed-use projects; and 5) the Port needs to be more aggressive and enterprising in its economic development efforts within its limited statutory authority.

Pete Fraley briefly explained the general limited delegated statutory authority of the Port. A brief description and definition of economic development followed.

Discussion ensued.

Jon White and Karyn Criswell briefly reviewed the Port's draft goals. Discussion ensued.

It was noted there needs to be better ability to gauge industries' needs for skill labor. The Port needs to work with higher education to develop the ability to respond to the skilled labor needs of industry.

Pete Fraley explained the Port's surplus property process. Discussion ensued.

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Mark Urdahl briefly reviewed the Capital Investment Projects list. Urdahl noted the CIP list will change as opportunities and needs arise.

Next steps: 1) bring back revised language from this forum, 2) hold a public hearing, and 3) the Commission to formally adopt the comprehensive plan in an open public meeting. "A revised version of the comprehensive plan will be sent out to all attendees after the Open House and the Commission has had time to consider the revised plan.

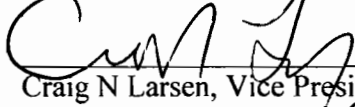
The partner's forum was recessed at 5:03 pm with no action taken. A public open house was convened at 6:00 pm in the Confluence Technology Center for the purpose of reviewing the draft comprehensive plan with those present. The public open house was adjourned at 7:00 pm with no action taken.

Approved and dated this 21st day of May, 2008.

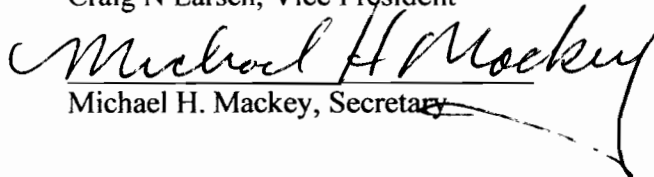
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Excused Absence

JC Baldwin, President



Craig N Larsen, Vice President



Michael H. Mackey, Secretary