

TOWN OF AVON, COLORADO
WORK SESSION MEETING FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2008
MEETING BEGINS AT 2:00 PM
AVON MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 400 BENCHMARK ROAD



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MAYOR	RON WOLFE
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TOWN ATTORNEY: JOHN DUNN	TOWN MANAGER: LARRY BROOKS	TOWN CLERK: PATTY MCKENNY
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THE AVON TOWN COUNCIL MEETS ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS OF EVERY MONTH

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| 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM | 1. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 1) CRS 24-6-402 (4)(f) related to personnel matter, and 2) CRS 24-6-402 (4)(b) conference with Town Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions regarding pending issues related to the Village (at Avon) |
| | 2. INQUIRY OF THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENT AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA |
| 3:00 PM – 3:15 PM | 3. COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND STAFF UPDATES |
| 3:15 PM – 4:00 PM | 4. TOWN OF AVON, VILLAGE AT AVON AND EAGLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT LAND NEGOTIATIONS (Larry Brooks Town Manager, John Dunn, Town Attorney)
Review of the school land dedication discussion from the last 60 days |
| 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM | 5. UPDATE ON AMENDING TITLES 16 AND 17, AVON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED SUBDIVISION AND ZONING TITLES (Eric Heidemann, Assistant Town Manager Community Development) Review proposed changes to subdivision and zoning code |
| 4:30 PM | 6. ADJOURNMENT |



Memo

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council
Thru: Larry Brooks, Town Manager
From: Eric Heidemann, AICP, Assistant Town Manager, Community Development *EH*
Date: March 25, 2008 Meeting
Re: Update on Amending Titles 16 and 17, Avon Municipal Code

Summary:

Based on the direction from the Town Manager and Council, the Community Development and Engineering Staff have collaborated to establish a strategy for potential amendments to the Subdivision and Zoning Titles of the Avon Municipal Code in order to rectify substantive and procedural inconsistencies and combine these titles into one new title to be called "Land Use Regulations". A consolidated land use chapter, which is fairly common among Counties and Municipalities, will create a more user-friendly document for staff to administer and the development community to understand. More importantly, this update will allow staff to strengthen our land use regulations with more progressive policies and procedures, particularly with respect to the subdivision review process, as well as allow for necessary changes related to new statutory and/or case law.

The current language in the existing titles is vastly outdated considering it was originally adopted in the late 1970s and has not been substantially amended since it was first adopted when the Town of Avon was incorporated in 1978.

Below is a brief summary of identified areas of concern with the current language in the code:

- The structure of the titles is cumbersome because it severs the subdivision process from the zoning/PUD process. Although references were added attempting to link the subject sections of the code, it remains difficult to navigate and is counterintuitive to a layperson trying to understand the process and its requirements;
- There are contradictory statements regarding the Guarantee of Public Improvements in Section 16.24.100 and 16.24.140;
- Traffic: does not specify when a Traffic Study is required nor does it describe what standards to evaluate it against;
- Roads: The road standards do not reflect current standards used in the Town. They are remnants of when Avon was a rural town but we now have urban/suburban densities on the valley floor. We require two set of standards: one for mountain residential and the other for the valley floor. For instance, the standards do not:
 - a. require sidewalks or other pedestrian and bicycle facilities
 - b. require 12 foot wide lanes everywhere
 - c. allow on-street parking
 - d. contemplate curb and gutter

- Drainage: These standards are probably the best in the current Code, but still need some work. There are no references to Stormwater Quality;
- Geologic Hazards: requires a geologic report but there are no standards;
- Wildfire Report: requires a wildfire report but there are no standards; and
- Soils Report: requires a soils report but there are no standards.

Discussion:

Given the issues with the Code identified above, and numerous others to be further detailed, Staff would like to have a discourse with Council on how best to proceed with the initial step in commencing the process of making necessary amendments to the Avon Municipal Code. The discussion will also include the other problematic issues with the code as mentioned above.

Town Manager Comments:

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