

**MINUTES FOR
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WORKSHOP
Dover Council Chambers
699 Lakeshore Ave.
6:00 p.m. April 20, 2016**

In Attendance: Council: Bill Strand Diane Brockway Ruth Guthrie
 Mayor Annie Shaha

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Elaine Clegg and Deanna Smith from Idaho Smart Growth (ISG) introduced themselves to the audience and led the discussion of the comprehensive plan update. The purpose of the special meeting workshop was to gather input from the public on various aspects of the community. There were 21 people in attendance.

WORKSHOP

- Ms. Clegg explained the Dover comprehensive plan will be completely rewritten. A series of phone and face-to-face interviews have been conducted. This workshop will help ISG discover what is missing, incorrect or needs further analysis. She asked for volunteers to serve on a comprehensive plan work group. The areas of discussion and a summary of comments follow:
 - Land Use: Dover has at least three distinct areas: the bay; the hillside area; and the historic area. Keeping “one Dover” but recognizing unique neighborhoods was favored by the audience. In addition to the three areas, the public noted Canoe Cove, Rocky Point, and Syringa Heights are also neighborhoods. The group also agreed it would be appropriate to explore mixed use options in some of these areas.
 - Transportation: The group discussed the changes to the community as a result of the new bridge, byway and pathway expansions, and the creation of the SPOT bus system. Traffic patterns, highway noise, emergency access, lack of parking and sidewalks on Third and Fourth streets, narrow, unpaved roads, SPOT routes and amenities and drainage issues were raised.
 - Public Services: Dover has excess capacity for sewer and water services, giving opportunity for growth or sale of services. The audience discussed sewer regionalization and sales of services versus growth potential. Ms. Smith urged the group to think about where they would like to see growth so that subject can be discussed at later meetings. They also discussed a desire for recycling services.

- Economic Development: When asked about desires for retail or other commercial uses, the group favored small shops and “small-scale” stores and favored mixed uses. Strip malls and sprawl should be discouraged and enhancement of the city corridor should be encouraged.
- Community Design: Ideas such as creating a “branding” of the city for a cohesive identity, developing a highway entrance, a wayfinding system, and mixed uses were discussed. The ISG representatives reviewed form-based codes with the audience.
- Housing, Recreation, and Natural Resources/Special Places: The public reviewed housing issues and options and discussed the desire for additional parks, a public restroom at the marina, improved parking and bike racks.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.