

Tahoe Donner General Plan Committee Minutes

Meeting Date: May 4, 2020

Time and Location: 3:05 by ZOOM

1. Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 PM.

2. Roll Call:

GPC Committee:		Liaisons:	Tahoe Donner Association
Jim Beckmeyer		Jim Roth	Jon Mitchell
John Maciejewski	George Rohrbach	Laura Lindgren	Jeff Conners
Rob McCray	Jeff Shellito	Rob Kautz	Steve Miller
		Sandi Cornell	

Identified guests:

Benjamin Levine

3. Finance Committee Liaison Report

The Finance Committee is undertaking a valuation process for all Tahoe Donner properties, to identify appropriate modifications to the Replacement Reserve Fund. A specific question: is the RRF underfunded?

Under Steve Miller’s leadership the Finance Committee is also gathering information relevant to potential acquisitions of adjacent properties that may become available or exchange. The key property of interest is the 40-acre inholding within Euer Valley. Laura Lindgren offered to participate in this effort.

4. Trails Subcommittee

Benjamin Levine delivered an update on subcommittee activity.

The subcommittee is undertaking an extensive update of the 2013 Trails Master Plan. Benjamin highlighted the following:

- In addition to the existing user groups of hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians, new user groups are included in the plan: Electric assist bikes, dogs, winter open space users

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- and “four season active transportation users” (meaning self-powered movement of any type).
- Sustainability is a core intended outcome for the revision.
 - A core concept is to develop a “Multi-Use Trails System” which may include designated purpose trails (i.e. not all trails will be “multi-use”).
 - The revision is expected to include plans for “strategic dispersal” of trail users to decrease concentrated use in the vicinity of ACAC and other hot spots.
 - The update is expected to include a recommendation relating to the potential development Class 1 trails within Tahoe Donner.

This brief presentation was intended to set the stage for more extensive conversation in June or July, after the subcommittee has made its final recommendations.

5. Capital Projects

Jon Mitchell updated the committee on the status of certain projects:

- Golf course renovations are scheduled to commence on or about May 18th.
- Contracting is underway for the Nature Walk project.
- The permitting process for X-C and Snowplay snowmaking is underway.
- As to an update of the Priority Projects list, the earliest possible recommendation is the end of June 2020.

6. Master Planning–Community Planning

The committee addressed the Master/General Planning concept. For working purposes, committee members who were present agreed that the next name for the intended outcome is a Tahoe Donner Community Plan. A community plan will differ from the 2017 Master Plan and 2030 General Plan by focusing on considerations that, in a planning process, are foundational for specific project development. In one sense, a Community Plan will focus on “higher level” goals and purposes for Tahoe Donner. Other suggested ways to think about the plan included:

- Focus on the desired “experience” of Tahoe Donner.
- Describe a desirable “future state” for Tahoe Donner, in reference to the “current state.”
- Consider topics “beyond the amenities.”
- Determine and clarify the (long term) time horizon for the Community Plan.

During our discussion, the committee learned that management is working on a “strategic master plan” for consideration by the board. Management and individual directors confirmed that a Community Plan as envisioned by the committee will be consistent with the general purpose of a strategic master plan.”

Management indicated that it would not be in a position to support the Community Plan process until July 2020. As the new General Manager will start on July 15 and should be involved in the process, establishment of a subcommittee will be deferred until that time.

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Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on JUNE 1, 2020 BY ZOOM.