MINUTES CANBY PLANNING COMMISSION

7:00pm August 12, 2002 City Council Chambers, 155 NW 2nd

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chairman, Keith Stewart, Commissioners, Randy Tessman, Paul

Thalhofer, Geoffrey Manley

ABSENT: Commissioner Jim Brown

STAFF: Matilda Deas, Project Planner

II. CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

IV. FINDINGS

None

V. BUSINESS

Matilda Deas, Project Planner stated a joint workshop with the City Council on the Parks System Development charge, and the Land Development Ordinance has tentatively been scheduled for October 2nd.

Matilda explained this is the culmination of a long process of updating the Parks Master Plan and developing a Parks land acquisition strategy. She stated they will also be discussing instituting non residential SDC charges for business and invited anyone interested to attend the workshop and subsequent meetings.

VI. MINUTES

July 8, 2002

It was moved by Mr. Thalhofer to approve the minutes of July 8, 2002 as written. Seconded by Mr. Manley. Motion carried 4-0.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Stewart thanked Safeway for inviting the Planning Commission to the ribbon cutting ceremonies August 14, 2002, the store will open at 6:00 AM with opening ceremonies at 8:00 AM. He stated the Planning Commission appreciated the fact that the new store will be bringing 65 new jobs to the community.

Matilda stated there will be an informational public workshop on creating a tree inventory as part of becoming a "Tree City USA". A grant from the US Dept. of Forestry was received to purchase tree inventory software, and to hire an arborist who will have a work shop to train people to go out and do the actual inventory.

Matilda stated that the neighborhood associations are doing well, one group has created their by-laws, and a second association is forming in the northeast section so the majority of the north section of the City will be represented by these two groups. Another association is being formed in the southern part of town.

Matilda stated anyone that is interested could attend the informational meetings, it was not limited to people living in that area. She will be giving a presentation and will share information regarding what other communities are doing.

Matilda explained a church group had worked at the wetland interpretive site in the Community Park, weeding and generally cleaned up the site. She added that work will begin again in full force this fall when it is cooler.

Mr. Stewart stated he had watch the progress of the wetlands project and it that it looked good. Matilda explained that there is a need for both volunteers and monetary donations to finish the project. Due to the reed canary grass at the site, landscape fabric will need to be purchased to allow the native plants to grow. There are volunteers who will install it but the material needs to be purchased since it was not a part of the original grant.

Mr. Stewart commented on the new intersection at the Safeway store. He believes it looks good and that it will be a great improvement to the site. He added that he appreciated all the people who cooperated together to create the intersection.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT