



# VISTA VISION TASK FORCE

PORT OF KENNEWICK

OCTOBER 20, 2014 MINUTES

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## CALL TO ORDER

Task Force President Rich Cummins called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. in the Bechtel Board Room at the Tri-Cities Visitor & Convention Bureau located at 7130 West Grandridge Boulevard, Kennewick, Washington 99336.

### The following were present:

- Board Members:** Rich Cummins, President  
Don Britain, Vice-President  
Carl Adrian  
Jim Beaver (Absent)  
Chuck Freeman  
Traci Jao  
Barb Johnson  
Lori Mattson (Absent)  
Vicky Monteagudo  
Justin Raffa  
Steve Simmons  
Dennis Solensky  
Gary Spanner  
Derrick Stricker  
Kris Watkins  
Kirk Williamson
- Port Staff:** Larry Peterson, Director of Planning & Development  
Bridgette Scott, Executive Assistant  
Kandy Yates, Receptionist
- Consultant:** Laurence Qamar, Duany Plater-Zyberk (DPZ) & Company

## INTRODUCTIONS

Introduction of Task Force members and citizens in attendance.

## APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2014 MINUTES

Steve Simmons moved for approval of the Minutes; Don Britain seconded. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.



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## PRESENTATIONS

### A. The Future of Vista Field, Regional Benefit Strategy, Laurence Qamar, Duany Plater-Zyberk (DPZ) & Company

Mr. Qamar reviewed “The Future of Vista Field Regional Benefit Strategy.” He suggested the land within the 10 minute walking area be protected from development until the roads are developed.

Approximately 92% of the land owners within the 10 minute area are represented by Vista Vision Task Force (V.V.T.F.) members. Task Force members strongly feel the need to protect the area during the master planning process and Williamson moved, seconded by Raffa, to ask the City to establish a development moratorium. Substantial discussion ensued regarding potential boundaries and impacts length and possible communication with adjoining property owners. Britain expressed concern regarding the potential impacts to proposed and pending development and this concern was shared by Freeman & Monteagudo. Williamson then withdrew his original motion and moved, seconded by Raffa to issue a letter on behalf of the Task Force stating “It is the desire of the VVTF to protect the area from development that would limit the master planning process”. The vote was unanimous.

***MOTION:*** *Kirk Williamson moved for approval to send a letter to the City of Kennewick and other public land owners, stating it is the desire of the V.V.T.F. to protect the area from development that would limit the master planning process; Justin Raffa seconded. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously. All in favor 13:0. (Exhibit 1)*

Mr. Qamar stated there may be a business wanting to come to the area in 10-15 years; maybe 10-20 acres should be reserved for an Innovation District to be incorporated into the Vista Entertainment District.

## DISCUSSION

### A. Upcoming Vista Field Master Plan events (Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>; 6600 W. Deschutes Hangar B)

- 1) V.V.T.F. member participation-Pattern Language process (all day Monday Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>)
- 2) Pattern Language Wrap up & Charrette Kickoff Meeting (5-8pm Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>)
- 3) Charrette Sessions (9am-5pm) & Design Walk-Through (6-7:30pm Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>)
- 4) Charrette Sessions (9am-12:30pm) & Mid-Term Pin Up (6-7:30pm Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>)
- 5) Charrette Closing Presentation (3-5pm Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>)

### B. Places visited and/or lived & ideas/designs that are considered special

- 1) Boise, ID
  - ✓ Downtown Square
  - ✓ Build in bicycle areas
  - ✓ Be conscious of size of sidewalks etc
- 2) Whistler, BC
  - ✓ Olympics were held in Whistler
  - ✓ Rolling sidewalks
- 3) Pybus Market, Wenatchee



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- ✓ Specialty stores, entertainment, dining, history, culture, sense of place, something for all age groups
- 4) Vancouver, BC
  - ✓ Granville Market
- 5) Europe
  - ✓ Heart of action is in the middle of town
  - ✓ Pedestrian zones
  - ✓ Quiet, elegant
  - ✓ Restaurants/stores have deliveries in the morning before stores open; deliveries in the back during open hours

## C. Residential use; a crucial element in successful mixed-use projects

DPZ is helping the port and the community explore and develop something that works for our community.

## FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, from 3-5 pm in the Bechtel Board Room at the Tri-Cities Visitor & Convention Bureau located at 7130 West Grandridge Boulevard, Kennewick. The next Vista Vision Task Force meeting will be November 17, 2014.

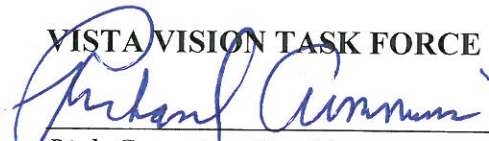
## PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were made.

## ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to bring before the Task Force; the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

VISTA VISION TASK FORCE  
  
Rich Cummins, President