Minutes

Agenda item: Welcome & Roll Call

Discussion:
Chair Cary Catalano took roll call using Zoom participant list. Planning Manager Sophia Pagoultos took roll call for the City Staff and Subject Matter Experts. Chair Cary Catalano spoke about housekeeping items, thanked Staff for putting the presentation together and Committee for submitting questions in advance.

Conclusions:
n/a

Action items

✓ Patience Milrod – Question – What is completed on the Implementation table and what is not? What is a priority and what is not? The implementation table needs to be married with the Capital Improvement Plan, how is that being conceptualized? How can this table be used as an accountability mechanism?

✓ Nick Yovino (Cary Catalano, second) – Motion – Create a separate section in the annual City of Fresno budget titled “General Plan Implementation.” It shall include applicable work program efforts and expenditures

Agenda item: Staff Presentations and Committee Discussion

Discussion:
Planning Manager Sophia Pagoultos of Planning and Development Department outlined the goals and objectives and then went into the accomplishments for Chapter 12 – Implementation.

Conclusions:
n/a

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✓ Jennifer Clark has responded in part, Staff will follow up

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of all city departments that implement respective goals, objectives, infrastructure expenditures related to the implementation of the General Plan shall also be included in this budget section.

When this section is presented during the annual budget adoption process, a current fiscal year General Plan Implementation Progress Report shall also be presented. The report must include a construction (new/rehabilitation/reuse) activity summary for both infill and new growth areas. And an evaluation of how this activity relates to General Plan projections and goals. The fiscal impacts of this activity shall also be presented and evaluated. This is about accountable measured steady progress.

Nick Yovino (Sal Gonzales, second) – Motion – Advocate
State legislation mandating a “Regional Planning and Cooperation Element” in all City and County General Plans

A requirement to jointly develop a methodology to formulate a mutually acceptable range and timeline of projected population growth and needed housing units for each jurisdiction and the defined region. This will include affordable housing units fairly allocated to every jurisdiction.

A requirement to jointly formulate and adopt common goals objectives, policies and programs, which could cooperatively be implemented and measured. These can be related to coordinating concurrent sphere of influence line adjustments, reducing air pollution, preserving farmland, promoting sustainable new growth, revitalizing older neighborhoods, connected multimodal transportation, programing and sharing costs for capital improvement and infrastructure projects, and providing more cost effective/efficient public safety and other services.

A requirement for joint board of supervisors and mayor/city council public meetings to discuss and act on the above and other issues of common interest.

A requirement for OPR to conduct a periodic joint review of local government general plans by defined regional area. The review shall include a report on element compliance reports shall be submitted to affected, mayors, city councils, county board of supervisors, the state legislature and the governor.

Nick Yovino (Keith Bergthold, second) – Motion – Establish a centralized operation for the processing of development entitlement and construction permit applications with in the Planning & Development Department. This operation would continually house a consolidated staff from all city departments reviewing projects for acceptance and complete processing. It would include a full time member of the City Attorney’s Office and
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<td>be led by a single manager. Staff in the centralized operations from other city departments would still apply project comments and requirements from their respective departments.</td>
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<td>✔ Grecia Elenas – Question – Regarding the implementation table, what has been done, how impactful to the goals? Implemented vs effectiveness</td>
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**Agenda item:** Next Meeting – September 15, 2020 at 6:00PM  
**Presenter:** Chair Cary Catalano

**Discussion:**
Cary Catalano, Committee Chair, what will happen in the next couple of meetings, regarding data requests and motions recorded and meeting was adjourned.

**Conclusions:**
n/a

**Action items**

| ✔ Review of Data Requests | n/a                  | n/a                  |

*Meeting was adjourned by Chair Cary Catalano at 10:02AM.*

**Other Information**

**Observers:**
Director Jennifer Clark, Planning and Development, City of Fresno  
Assistant Director Mike Sanchez, Planning and Development, City of Fresno  
Executive Assistant Cherie Vick, Planning and Development, City of Fresno  
Lor Xiong-Roby, Hmong Translator, Veritas Interpreting  
Reyna Castellanos, Hispanic Translator, Linguistica Interpreting & Translation

**Resources:**
Materials were passed out via email prior to all of the council member and subject matter experts.

**Special notes:**
Chat text is on page 5 and emailed motions and updates are included on pages 6.
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09:02:39 From Patience Milrod to All panelists: Mazel tov, Don Simmons, on your wedding!

09:05:23 From Cary Catalano to All panelists: Yes, congrats!

09:05:39 From Don Simmons to All panelists: Thank you!

09:30:59 From Cary Catalano to All panelists: team, we will send out this document to you later today.
GENERAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM NICK YOVINO

I BELIEVE THE FOLLOWING THREE ACTIONS ARE ESSENTIAL TO IMPLEMENTING THE GENERAL PLAN. THEY HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED AND ATTEMPTED NUMEROUS TIMES IN THE PAST, BUT NEVER COMPLETELY ACCOMPLISHED. THEY RELATE TO THE CITY’S BUDGET, PROMOTING BETTER COMMUNICATION AND COOPERATION BETWEEN NEIGHBORING LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, AND IMPROVING THE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS.

(1) CREATE A SEPARATE SECTION IN THE ANNUAL CITY OF FRESNO BUDGET TITLED “GENERAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION”. IT SHALL INCLUDE WORK PROGRAM EFFORTS (PRIORITIZED OVER MULTIPLE YEARS) AND PROPER FUNDING FOR ALL CITY DEPARTMENTS … THAT IMPLEMENT RESPECTIVE GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS OF THE GENERAL PLAN. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GENERAL PLAN SHALL ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THIS BUDGET SECTION.

WHEN THIS SECTION IS PRESENTED DURING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ADOPTION PROCESS, A CURRENT FISCAL YEAR GENERAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS REPORT SHALL ALSO BE PRESENTED.

THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE A CONSTRUCTION (NEW/REHABILITATION/REUSE) ACTIVITY SUMMARY FOR BOTH INFILL AND NEW GROWTH AREAS … AND AN EVALUATION OF HOW THIS ACTIVITY RELATES TO GENERAL PLAN PROJECTIONS AND GOALS. THE FISCAL IMPACTS OF THIS ACTIVITY SHALL ALSO BE PRESENTED AND EVALUATED.

(2) ADVOCATE STATE LEGISLATION MANDATING A “REGIONAL PLANNING AND COOPERATION ELEMENT” IN ALL CITY AND COUNTY GENERAL PLANS. THE STATE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH (OPR) SHALL DEFINE THE REGIONAL AREAS AND DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR THE ELEMENT THAT WILL INCLUDE:

. A REQUIREMENT TO JOINTLY DEVELOP A METHODOLOGY TO FORMULATE A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE RANGE AND TIMELINE OF PROJECTED POPULATION GROWTH AND NEEDED HOUSING UNITS … FOR EACH JURISDICTION AND THE DEFINED REGION. THIS WILL INCLUDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS FAIRLY ALLOCATED TO EVERY JURISDICTION.

. A REQUIREMENT TO JOINTLY FORMULATE AND ADOPT SOME COMMON GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS WHICH COULD COOPERATIVELY BE IMPLEMENTED AND MEASURED. THESE CAN BE RELATED TO COORDINATING CONCURRENT SPHERE OF INFLUENCE LINE ADJUSTMENTS, REDUCING AIR POLLUTION, PRESERVING FARMLAND, PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE NEW GROWTH, REVITALIZING OLDER NEIGHBORHOODS, CONNECTED MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION, PROGRAMMING AND SHARING COSTS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, AND PROVIDING MORE COST EFFECTIVE/EFFICIENT PUBLIC SAFETY AND OTHER SERVICES.

. A REQUIREMENT FOR JOINT BOARD(S) OF SUPERVISOR AND MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETINGS TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE ABOVE … AND OTHER ISSUES OF COMMON INTEREST.

. A REQUIREMENT FOR OPR TO CONDUCT A PERIODIC JOINT REVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT GENERAL PLANS BY DEFINED REGIONAL AREA. THE REVIEW SHALL INCLUDE A REPORT ON ELEMENT COMPLIANCE. REPORTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO AFFECTED MAYORS, CITY COUNCILS, COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS, THE STATE LEGISLATURE, AND THE GOVERNOR.

(3) ESTABLISH A CENTRALIZED OPERATION FOR THE PROCESSING OF DEVELOPMENT ENTITLEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION PERMIT APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. THIS OPERATION WOULD CONTINUALLY HOUSE A CONSOLIDATED STAFF FROM ALL CITY DEPARTMENTS REVIEWING PROJECTS FOR ACCEPTANCE, AND COMPLETE PROCESSING. IT WOULD INCLUDE A FULL TIME MEMBER OF THE CITY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE AND BE LED BY A SINGLE MANAGER. STAFF IN THIS CENTRALIZED OPERATION FROM OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS WOULD STILL APPLY PROJECT COMMENTS AND REQUIREMENTS FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.