

PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION
December 7, 1971

A work session with Milwaukie Planning Commission and Bill Akre, Corps of Engineers, was held in the City Council Chambers on December 7, 1971, to discuss definitions, boundaries and standards of flood ways. The following Commission members were present:

Robert Kennedy

Allan Jones

Fred Liddell

Also present were: Max Thompson, Assistant City Manager
Roger Mundorff, City Attorney
J. Wayne Daigle, Director of Public Works
Michelle Eaton, Secretary

Bill Akre explained various definitions of flood ways, i.e. natural flood way which is existing course for flood waters to exit, calculated flood way which is cross sectional area required to pass flood, and regulated flood way which would be in the regulations if adopt two zone concept. He explained the differences between the flood way, flood way fringe, 100 year flood, and standard project flood. Milwaukie's Flood Hazard Zone presently incorporates both the flood way and flood way fringe areas. He suggested obtaining copies of Clackamas County's new regulations regarding flood hazard zones. He also stated we could have two separate flood hazard zones -- one encompassing the flood way and one in the flood way fringe. There was discussion concerning problems resulting from basing the zone limits on a specific number of feet from the center line of a waterway, because Johnson Creek's center line shifts with the water level. It was suggested that proposed building could be handled on an individual basis, requiring the developer to supply the cross-sections. However, this would be inefficient because adopting a flood way would establish it for the entire region by reference to the map. Mr. Akre stated that it will be possible to find the flood way for specific pieces of land until we get the flood way for the entire area. The Corps will be ready to submit the maps for the flood way in the near future.

Jones requested that staff compile all the minutes, etc., referring to C-70-2, Oregon Corrections Division construction of a government structure in M-L zone. This conditional use was permitted subject to annual review by staff. He requested that the Attorney and Police Chief submit reports.

A meeting was set for January 4, 1972, for a slide presentation by Beaverton on design standards. The City Council, Beautification Committee and Building Inspectors will be invited to attend.

There was discussion concerning the flow chart cartoons submitted, with several suggestions for improvement.

The work session was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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