



MINUTES for October 24, 2023  
CROOK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

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**I. Call to Order**

Crook County Planning Commission Vice Chairperson Les Williamson, called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

The meeting was conducted by Zoom (a call-in service) and in-person at the Crook County Annex.

**II. Attendance**

Commissioners Attending:

In Person	Zoom	Commissioner	Excused Absence	Unexcused Absence
		Calvin Walter	x	
x		George Ponte		
x		Susan Hermreck		
	x	Gary Bedortha		
x		Laquita Stec		
x		Les Williamson		
		Mike Warren	x	

Staff Attending:

In Person	Zoom	Crook County Staff
x		Will Van Vactor
		Katie McDonald
x		Hannah Elliott
	x	Jennifer Orozco
		John Eisler

Parties in Attending in Person:

Please see sign-in sheet.

Parties Participating via Zoom:

Please see sign in sheet.

**III. Public Comment**

None

**IV. Minutes**

None

**V. Items for Consideration**

1. Public Hearing

Continuation of public hearing from September 27, file number is 217-23-001387 for a subdivision application filed by Bobby Kennedy II. The property is identified as map/tax lot 1516000000800 and zoned Rural Residential Zone (R-10). The subject property is located adjacent to and west of Davis Loop. Kennedy Way bisects the property.

Acting Chair Williamson asked if any Commissioner has any bias, prejudgment, personal interest, or conflicts of interest to disclose?

Commissioner	No	Disclosure
George Ponte	x	
Susan Hermreck	x	
Gary Bedortha	x	
Laquita Stec	x	
Les Williamson	x	

Acting Chair Williamson asked if any Commissioner has had any Ex Parte Contact with the Applicant or any Member of the Public regarding this matter?

Commissioner	No	Disclosure
George Ponte	x	
Susan Hermreck	x	
Gary Bedortha	x	
Laquita Stec	x	
Les Williamson	x	

Acting Chair asked if any member of the public, including those participating by phone, wished to challenge any member of the Commission. No members of the public stated a challenge.

Director Will Van Vactor, provided a brief overview of the Subdivision proposal via PowerPoint, clarified questions brought up at the prior hearing, provided additional information about the application, and reviewed proposed conditions of approval.

Commissioners had no additional questions.

Acting Chair Williamson asked for testimony from Agency representatives. None.

Acting Chair Williamson then asked for testimony from the Applicant. The Applicant, Bobby Kennedy had no additional comment but answered questions from the commission.

Acting Chair asked for testimony from the anyone in support of the proposal. None.

Acting Chair asked for testimony from anyone in a neutral position of the proposal. None.

Acting Chair asked for testimony from the anyone in opposition of the proposal. None.

Acting Chair Williamson asked for rebuttal from the Applicant. None.

Acting Chair called for any further comments from Staff. None.

Acting Chair asked if there are any requests to leave the record open. None.

Acting Chair Williamson asked the Applicant if they would like to waive their 7 day rebuttal period.

Applicant waives 7 day rebuttal period.

Commissioner Hermreck moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Stec second.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte			x
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 4-0-1			

Commissioner Hermreck moved to approve application number 217-23-001387-PLNG, with the following 22 conditions as stated in the Staff Report. Commissioner Stec second.

The Planning Commission entered deliberations. No deliberations.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte			x

Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 4-0-1.			

Commissioner Hermreck moved to direct Staff to prepare and have Acting Chair sign outside of a meeting. Commissioner Stec second.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte			x
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 4-0-1			

Commissioner Hermreck moved to end that portion of the public hearing. Commissioner Stec second.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte	x		
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 5-0-0			

- Public Hearing - RMG Destinations, LLC filed applications to modify the Development Plan **(217-23-001603-PLNG)** (to amend file number 217-18-000334-PLNG) and the Final Development Plan **(217-23-001604-PLNG)** (to amend file number 217-19-000370-PLNG). The requests will amend the prior approvals to allow 50 phased overnight lodging units instead of 75 phased overnight lodging units in the Hidden Canyon Destination Resort. The subject property is identified as T 16S, R 14E WM, Tax lots 2200, 3900, and 4100 and T16S, R 15E WM, Tax lots 2100, 3100 and 3200. The zoning is Exclusive Farm Use, EFU-3 with a Destination Resort Overlay.

Acting Chair Williamson read the applicable criteria for review into the record.

Acting Chair Williamson asked if any Commissioner has any bias, prejudice, personal interest, or conflicts of interest to disclose?

Commissioner	No	Disclosure
Calvin Walter		
George Ponte	x	
Susan Hermreck	x	
Gary Bedortha	x	
Laquita Stec	x	
Les Williamson	x	
Mike Warren		

Acting Chair Williamson asked if any Commissioner has had any Ex Parte Contact with the Applicant or any Member of the Public regarding this matter?

Commissioner	No	Disclosure
Calvin Walter		
George Ponte	x	
Susan Hermreck	x	
Gary Bedortha	x	
Laquita Stec	x	
Les Williamson	x	
Mike Warren		

The Acting Chair asked if any member of the public, including those participating by phone, wished to challenge any member of the Commission. No members of the public stated a challenge.

Director Will Van Vactor provided a brief overview and background of the applications via a PowerPoint presentation and asked for questions from the Commission.

Commissioners asked clarifying questions.  
Staff responded.

Acting Chair Williamson asked for testimony from Agency representatives. None.

Acting Chair Williamson then asked for testimony from the Applicant.

Jerry Jones provided testimony for the Applicant.

Commissioners had no questions of the Applicant.

Acting Chair asked for testimony from the anyone in support of the proposal. None.

Acting Chair asked for testimony from anyone in a neutral position of the proposal. None.

Acting Chair asked for testimony from the anyone in opposition of the proposal. None.

Acting Chair Williamson asked for rebuttal from the Applicant. None.

Acting Chair called for any further comments from Staff. None.

Acting Chair asked if any party requests the record remain open. None.

Acting Chair Williamson asked the Applicant if they would like to waive their 7 day rebuttal period.

Applicant waives 7 day rebuttal period.

Commissioner Ponte moved to close hearing. Commissioner Hermreck seconded.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte	x		
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 5-0-0			

Commissioner Hermreck moved to approve application 217-23-001603-PLNG and 217-23-001604-PLNG. Commissioner Stec seconded.

The Planning Commission entered deliberations. None.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte	x		
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion - Carried 5-0-0.			

Commissioner Ponte moved to close the Public meeting. Commissioner Hemreck seconded.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			

George Ponte	x		
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 5-0-0			

**VI. Staff Updates/Planning Commission Comments**

Commissioner Ponte moved to close the meeting. Commissioner Hermreck seconded.

Commissioner	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Calvin Walter			
George Ponte	x		
Susan Hermreck	x		
Gary Bedortha	x		
Laquita Stec	x		
Les Williamson	x		
Mike Warren			
Motion – Carried 5-0-0			