CCRPC Long Range Planning Committee

Minutes

Tuesday, April 13, 2016

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 pm

Location: CCRPC Office, 110 West Canal Street, Suite 202, Winooski, VT.

Attendees: Justin Dextrauder (Chair), Andrea Morgante, Jim Donovan, Edmund Booth, Paul Conner, and Heather Danis

CCRPC Staff: Emily Nosse-Leirer and Regina Mahony

1. Welcome and Introductions.

2. Approve Minutes from January 12, 2016. Paul Conner made a motion, seconded by Edmund Booth to approve the minutes from January 12, 2016. No further discussion. MOTION PASSED. Andrea Morgante and Jim Donovan abstained.

3. ECOS Plan Amendments. Staff handed out additional amendments to what the LRPC received in their packet. Staff provided a brief overview of all of the edits between the first public hearing draft and the second. Staff specifically identified the amendments that were handed out at the meeting. These were all in response to follow-up comments from Ned Swanberg regarding the flood resiliency elements. Staff proposed a hybrid of the existing language and Ned’s latest suggestions to not lose sight of the fact that our municipalities are already largely protecting the Fluvial Erosion Hazard Areas (equivalent to the River Corridor Protection Areas) and that the FEH areas are not yet reflected in the State’s published river corridor maps. The LRPC provided some clarifying edits to this new text. Jim Donovan provided some text edits throughout the document.

The LRPC also had a few other comments to take note of for the next Plan update:

a. These edits are quite extensive in comparison to the brevity used for the other plan elements. Efforts to slim it down should be undertaken for the next update.

b. The CEDS/ECOS Project list is helpful for not only Economic Development Administration funding, so it has value as a complete list of projects that are needed
in the region. However, there is definitely room for improvement to bring consistency in the types of projects that are included, identify potential funding sources, think about how this relates to the strategies and actions, and make it a more useful implementation program for the Plan.

Paul Conner made a motion, seconded by Jim Donovan to recommend that the CCRPC Board, and Executive Committee as needed, approve the amendments to the ECOS Plan, including the edits as drafted and discussed. No further discussion. MOTION PASSED.

4. **Next Steps.** The edits will be incorporated, published in the Second Public Hearing Draft and sent out for the 30 day public comment period. The CCRPC Board will hold the second public hearing on May 18, 2016.

5. **Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.