

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2024**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, May 1, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Ann English, Chairman; Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman; Peggy Judd, Supervisor

Staff Present: Richard G. Karwaczka, County Administrator
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Lara Loewenheim, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Dan Coxworth, Development Services, Director
Christine McLachlan, Planning Division Manager

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION

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Work Sessions are a time for County staff to inform and discuss agenda items with the Board of Supervisors and public comments will not be taken.

INTRODUCTIONS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Board of Supervisors

1. Discussion and possible direction regarding the Cochise County Comprehensive Plan.

Dan Coxworth, Development Services Director, introduced the process of updating the comprehensive plan, which is essential for guiding development and conservation over the next decade. Mr. Coxworth emphasized the plan's role as a blueprint for various aspects like land use, resource management, economic development, and public participation. Mr. Coxworth introduced Christine McLachlan.

Christine McLachlan, Planning Division Manager, presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions from the Board at various points throughout. Ms. McLachlan echoed the importance of the comprehensive plan in guiding development based on population trends and various analyses, including land use mapping and zoning adjustments. She highlighted the need for updating the plan to incorporate new data and studies since 2015, aligning with state law mandates. Ms. McLachlan emphasized the plan's role in conserving resources, promoting public welfare, the obligation to formulate and adopt a long-term plan as per state law. Ms. McLachlan discussed the need to update area plans and proposed involving the public

extensively through online and offline communication channels. She outlined the timeline for the plan's development, review process, and adoption.

The Board and staff discussed various issues and concerns regarding the comprehensive plan. The Board suggested the first step would be to develop a plan regarding land use and present it during a work session at a later date.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sharon Gilman, Interim Clerk of the Board