

## **6.01: Public Hearing: Consider Request for a Conditional Use Permit to Expand an Existing Utility Substation (Project No. 21-125); Case of Connexus Energy**

### **Public Hearing**

Chairperson Bauer called the public hearing to order at 7:03 p.m.

### **Presentation**

City Planner Anderson presented the staff report stating that staff recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

Commissioner VanScoy asked who owns the lot.

City Planner Anderson replied that Connexus owns the lot.

### **Citizen Input**

Mike Felber, Connexus Energy, thanked staff for the presentation. He noted that the existing structure is old and made of wood and therefore in need of updates. He stated that they will be tearing down the existing structure and building a new substation.

Commissioner Walker asked the length of time the rebuild would take.

Mr. Felber replied about two months.

Commissioner Anderson asked if everything would be contained within the subject area.

Mr. Felber confirmed that the construction would stay within the fenced area.

Thomas Kurak, 15001 Sunfish Lake Boulevard, stated that he did not hear any mention of buffer and asked if there are existing trees that would buffer the area.

City Planner Anderson displayed an aerial photograph of the site. He stated that there will be some removal of existing trees.

Chairperson Bauer commented that this would be located between the railroad tracks, Alpine trees and the golf course.

Mr. Kurak commented that this is not an area where people expect industrial things and was happy to hear that this would not impact others.

Motion by Commissioner VanScoy, seconded by Commissioner Dunaway, to close the public hearing.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Bauer, Commissioners VanScoy, Dunaway, Anderson, Peters, and Walker. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Gengler.

Chairperson Bauer closed the public hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

**Commission Business**

Motion by Commissioner VanScoy, seconded by Commissioner Walker, to recommend that City Council adopt Resolution #21-208 Granting a Conditional Use Permit to Expand an Existing Utility Substation.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Bauer, Commissioners VanScoy, Walker, Anderson, Dunaway, and Peters. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Gengler.

DRAFT