1. CALL TO ORDER—Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL/THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD WITH PARTIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING AND VIA ZOOM MEETING. Mayor Wood present, Vice-Mayor Stabile present via zoom, Council Members Reibslager, Finch present & Claverie absent.

 STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Robinson

 PUBLIC PRESENT: Debbie Robinson, Carolyn Shafer, Virginia Thiers, Philip Brister, Stephanie Smith, Robert Proctor, Kate Tirion, Howard Buchanan, Emmet Rahn-Oakes, Gerry Isaac, Todd Norton, Ralph Smith and via zoom meeting Marc Faucher, Maggie Urgo, Chuck Klingenstein, Ashley Hullinger, Bill O’Brien, Shelley White, Alexander Johnson, I Phone (2)

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—Mayor Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. DISCUSSION WITH THE FLOOD AND FLOW AND THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEES ABOUT THE PROCESS OF UPDATING THE TOWN’S GENERAL PLAN RELATIVE TO GROWTH PATTERNS OF “SMALL TOWNS”. STEPHANIE SMITH IS CURRENTLY A LEAD RESEARCHER ON THIS TOPIC AND WILL BE CONTRIBUTING TO THIS DISCUSSION. ASHLEY HULLINGER IS THE LEAD U OF A RESEARCHER ON THE DROUGHT RESPONSE PLAN WHICH CAN AFFECT THE GROWTH OF “SMALL TOWNS” AND SHE WILL BE COMMENTING.

Carolyn Shafer introduced the purpose of the Study Session and discussed the importance of the municipal water shed and how the Flood and Flow and the Planning and Development Committees need to include it in the General Plan. She introduced Stephanie Smith and Ashley Hullinger who were to bring forth information at the meeting.

Ms. Smith spoke about her research on planning and economic development challenges that can face gateway communities (smaller recreational communities such as Patagonia), and the pros of zoning to protect during this kind of growth. She expressed the importance of addressing this early on to maintain the community character as this growth occurs. She also suggested adding to the General Plan how we want to grow, stating time is better spent focusing on shaping the growth instead of stopping growth.

Ms. Hullinger spoke to water needs for growing communities, and how a Drought Preparedness Plan once it is finished could be incorporated into the General Plan. She also addressed the need to determine what water needs we will have going forward for projected growth. Much discussion was had over the types of amendments to the General Plan and how changes could be made with the public involved. Mayor Wood

wrapped up the discussion clarifying what each committee needs to accomplish by having a joint meeting with each other and work out the information and language proposals to the General Plan. Once that is done, they can bring it to the Council for another Study Session and then the Council can move forward if the language is approved.

 5. **ADJOURN**

 **MOTION:** Council Member Reibslager moved to adjourn

 **SECOND:** Mayor Wood

 **VOTE:** The motion passed by a 4-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:

 **AYES:** Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via zoom, Council Members Reibslager & Finch

 **NAYS:** None

 **ABSTAINERS:** None

 **ABSENT:** Council Member Claverie

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:25 P.M.

I hereby confirm the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate copy of the minutes of a Special Joint Study Session held June 15, 2022, at 6:00 pm. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022

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 Andrea Wood, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ron Robinson, Town Clerk