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Planning Commission Agenda

TO BE HELD in the Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938

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1. Call meeting to order.
2. Recording of the Roll.
3. Approval of the April 2, 2026, Meeting Minutes.
4. Approval of the Agenda.
5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding items on the agenda (Three-minute limit).
6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the agenda (Three-minute limit).
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Comp Plan Update.
 - B. 2026 Goals.
 - I. Zoning Ordinance Revision
 - II. Surplus Property Policy and Inventory
 - III. Sidewalk Policy
8. Other Business.
9. Next Meeting: June 4, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
10. Adjournment.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE IRONWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION

Thursday, April 2, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Thursday, April 2, 2026, in the City of Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room.

1. Call to Order: Sam Davey called the meeting to Order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Sam Davey	X			
Scott Bissell		X	X	
Klaus Kutschke	X			
Mark Silver	X			
Vacant				
Siman Batu	X			
Grant Boelter		X	X	
Steve Frank ex-officio, non-voting member	X			
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Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the March 5, 2026, meeting minutes.

Motion by Silver to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Kutschke. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Kutschke to approve the agenda. Second by Silver. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (three-minute limit): Lydia Christensen addressed the Commission and mentioned that the plan is

satisfactory. State and federal grant funding is throughout the plan and should have contingency.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items not on the agenda (three-minute limit): None.
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - I. Public Hearing – 2026 Comprehensive Plan: Director Bergman talked about the Planning Commissions responsibilities for approval and adoption. Clarke presented an overview of the new comprehensive plan. Public engagement methods and input was discussed. Davey opened the public hearing.
Lydia Christinsen 211 E. Vaughn St. is concerned with references to federal financial grants and would like the Commission to move it forward.
Davey closed the public hearing.
 - II. Discuss and consider approval and recommendation of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan: Director Bergman addressed the public comment question citing the need to include grants and granting agencies for eligibility for those funding sources.
Motion by Silver to approve and recommend approval by the City Commission for the 2026 comprehensive plan. Second by Kutschke. Motion Carried 4 to 0.
 - III. Discuss and consider approval of Zoning Ordinance Audit: Director Bergman discussed the zoning ordinance audit and welcomed Jeff Miller to present. Jeff Miller with HKGI presented the zoning code audit with recommended changes for the zoning ordinance. Questions about signage content was discussed. Highway commercial allowing single family housing was discussed.
Motion by Boelter to approve the zoning ordinance audit. Second by Silver. Motion Carried 4 to 0.
8. Other Business: Silver asked about the housing development at the bank building in the downtown. Management and funding of the project was discussed.
9. Next Meeting: Thursday, May 7, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at the Ironwood Memorial Building.
10. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned by Davey.

Adjournment at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant