

Date: July 29, 2014

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Subject: Planning Division Comments for the Powder Mountain's DRR1 (Rezone) Application.

Paul,

The Planning Division staff is reviewing Powder Mountain's DRR1 rezone application and has prepared an early list of items for us to discuss at your earliest convenience. We will provide other review agency comments as soon as they become available.

Comments provided as of July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014:

## Application Submittals:

- The rezone application is still in need of water and wastewater feasibility letters as required in Section 102-5-4(b)(4) of the Weber County Land Use Code (LUC). Although we appreciate the explanations that have been provided, these letters need to be written by the entity that will serve the development.
- 2. The rezone application is still in need of an electric power feasibility letter as required in Section 102-5-4(c) of the LUC. If you prefer, we can use a comment that was posted by Rocky Mountain Power (on Miradi) as your feasibility letter.
- 3. The rezone application is still in need of a Letter of feasibility, from the Weber County Sheriff's Office.
- 4. The application is still in need of an answer to question #4 in the County's rezone chapter. This question can be found in Section 102-5-4(b)(6) of the LUC. If this comment has been addressed in the latest revision of the master plan booklet, please provide a page and paragraph number.
- 5. The Benefit Analysis, submitted with Powder Mountain's DRR1 Zone application, is based on 1,000 dwelling units and 290,000 sq. ft. of commercial space. The rezone application proposes 2,800 dwelling units and less than 190,000 sq. ft. (as shown on each village master plan and the Workforce Housing Plan) of commercial space. The master plan and supporting materials should be consistent.
- According to Powder Mountain Agency Review Committee meeting minutes, dated October 21, 2013, Powder Mountain representatives committed to provide Weber County with a 2<sup>nd</sup> access road study along with any DRR1 rezone application. This study has not been submitted.

## Master Plan:

- 7. The access to the Sundown "boutique" hotel and other residences utilizes a private road through the Powder Mountain West Subdivision. Does Powder Mountain have permission to use that road as an access?
- 8. The commercial area and "boutique" hotel located in the saddle, north of the top terminal of the existing Sundown chairlift, appears to be on a ridge that is visible from Eden, Liberty, and the North Fork Park. To



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guarantee a dark night sky for residents and because North Fork Park is currently in the process of acquiring a "dark-sky" accreditation, this location may need to be further studied.

- 9. The resort boundary, shown in the master plan booklet, appears to include property that does not belong to Powder Mountain. This property is along the Powder Mountain Road, in the south westerly most area of the project.
- 10. On page 43 of the Powder Mountain master plan booklet, the project acknowledges that there will be "employees generated due to development in Cache County". What are development plans for the Cache County side of the development?
- 11. Please provide a conceptual plan that shows all of (the previously recorded) Phase 1 and any previous road dedications.
- 12. The easterly most "point" of The Meadows development area may need a 200 foot buffer where no buffer is currently shown. Please check all development areas for compliance with the DRR1 buffer requirements.
- 13. On page 17, the master plan booklet discusses requirements for "green building practices" that are a part of Powder Mountain's design guidelines. Also, in Section 5.4 of Zoning Development Agreement #C2012-212, Powder Mountain has agreed to incorporate principles of sustainability into the development. Are these principles and guidelines available for review and have they been implemented into Phase 1? If not, when and how will these guidelines be implemented?
- 14. On page 30 of the Powder Mountain master plan booklet, the plan shows a chairlift and ski terrain across the project's easterly most boundary, into State lands. Has this plan been discussed with the State of Utah?
- 15. On page 43 of the Powder Mountain master plan booklet, the plan states that the resort's high elevation and unpredictable weather make the Ogden Valley and Ogden City more suitable places for resort employees to live. This can be thought of as contradictory i.e., Powder Mountain is suitable for residents but not for working residents. Typically, there are other reasons (e.g., trip generation due to lack of daily needs or services, etc.) to house employees off-site.

## Zoning Development Agreement (#C2012-212):

- 16. The Agreement between Weber County and Powder Mountain describes a resort boundary containing 4,297 acres and 2,800 development units. The current Powder Mountain rezone application shows approximately 6,300 acres and master plans for the same number (2,800) of units. Is it Powder Mountain's intent to forgo any potential development rights associated with the additional (potentially developable) 2,000 acres?
- 17. Section 8.1 of the Agreement states that Powder Mountain will record a reinvestment fee covenant on the resort property. Has this taken place?