ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Barry, Bassett, Carlson, Niner, and Mayor O'Brien.

Councilmember Lillquist has an excused absence.

Councilmember Perrie arrived at 7:30 p.m.

Others present were Planner Smith; Associate Planner Eyerly; Deputy Clerk Keno; and 14 plus members of the audience.

The purpose of the special meeting is to provide time for Councilmember discussion and consideration of comprehensive plan issues and draft policy language. At this meeting, Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services for Kittitas County, is scheduled to update Council on Kittitas County’s progress on updating its Comprehensive Plan. Following that presentation, Council is scheduled to review draft comprehensive plan Chapter 7 – Housing.

Presentation – Kittitas County Comprehensive Plan Update

Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services for Kittitas County, gave a presentation on Kittitas County’s process for updating its comprehensive plan. Mr. Piercy outlined the scope of work for the 2006 update of the Kittitas County Comprehensive Plan and distributed Resolution No.2005-148 adopted by the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners on November 1, 2005 which sets forth the scope of work for the 2006 update. He encouraged the development of a Memorandum of Understanding between the County and City to adopt a consistent development code for property in the urban growth area (UGA).

Council asked questions of Mr. Piercy. Council requested an inventory of the areas least suited for agriculture and not impacted by Critical Areas as referenced by GPO 2.94b of the Kittitas County Comprehensive Plan.

Council consensus is to see a consistent development code in the City and County made a priority.

Chapter 7 – Housing

Perry Rowe, representing the Kittitas County Housing Authority addressed Council on housing issues. The Housing Authority works with the cities of Ellensburg and Kittitas. It does not work with the Upper County cities.

Council asked questions of Mr. Rowe.
Darryl Piercy answered one comment card from the audience.

Mike Williams, Vice President of Operations for Hope Source, addressed Council on housing in Kittitas County. Hope Source deals with housing issues County-wide. Council asked questions of Mr. Williams.

Council noted Goal LU-8 “Make housing affordable to all Ellensburg households” was moved to this Chapter.

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Council requested Issue #3 be updated to reflect the current year’s median home price and income level.

Council requested a copy of the working documents for the green code.

The public comment cards distributed to and collected from the audience during the meeting were reviewed.

Council wishes to come back and review Goal H-2, Policy B, Program 1.

**ADJOURN** Adjourn at 8:56 p.m. Carlson

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Mayor

ATTEST: ________________________________ City Clerk