

Current Planning  
January 2009 Report

### **Revisions to the LUAC Process**

The LUAC Coordination Committee, to include PALS staff and members of the industry, prepared a work program to accomplish items that were agreed upon by the members of the Committee. The work program outlines areas under the headings of legislative, administrative, and budget, and included the desired timeline for implementation of the item.

The Committee agreed that a Letter of Expectations should be sent to the members of the LUACs concerning the importance of attendance for training, meetings, and the scope of their responsibilities and functions. A draft has been completed, but has not been sent out as of the date of this report.

Also, the Thun Field Advisory Commission has been included in the review and comments for discretionary land use cases. The TFAC shall provide formal advice to the County regarding cases related to both the Airport property and to properties within 1,000 feet of the Airport property. If the discretionary land use application is within the Airport, the TFAC would replace the role of the existing South Hill Advisory Commission (SHAC). If the case is outside of the Airport property, but within 1,000 feet, the TFAC and SHAC would both review the case for their comments and recommendations to the Hearing Examiner.

### **Expanding and Clarifying the Role of Project Managers**

The Project Managers in Current Planning have been busy in maintaining their current assignments. The tasks and responsibilities for the Project Managers have not expanded. They will continue to monitor Final Plat applications and the reduction in time review for Current Planning and be a single source of contact for applicants of various applications. In the future, due to staff reduction, Project Managers will likely be assigned cases.

### **Performance of Reviews for January 2009**

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At the end of January, 72% of the reviews needed to achieve zero backlog were completed.

The January 2009 review efficiency did not meet our expectations to maintain what was performed in December 2008. In December there were a total of 179 new application reviews, and in January 2009 there were 220. The new applications received in January of 2009 were down by 9% from the new application reviews that were received in January of 2008. However, Current Planning has been reduced by 2 Case Planners during this reporting time period.