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to the body today, and I guess I could start the ball rolling by saying that there are some very specific statutes that deal with setting up a planning commission and developing a comprehensive plan. So would you like to restate any of your questions or do you want me to just begin rambling? (Laugh)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Senator Schimek. I'd be willing to ask a couple more questions.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: That would be fine. You can do it on my time.

SENATOR BROMM: And then you can ramble, if you would like.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: (Laugh) Okay.

SENATOR BROMM: The words that I was trying to focus on were the words "preparing a comprehensive development plan." I wanted to just try to get your interpretation of what that meant. And since I asked you that you've shown me Section 23-114.01, which talks about what the planning commission does: shall prepare and adopt its policy statement, consult with public officials, et cetera, et cetera.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR BROMM: Now if...if a planning commission has been put in place and they have started any of these activities that are listed in this section of 23-114.01, is that...is that meet the standard that you're looking for in terms of "preparing?"

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. I think there would have to be some obvious evidence that something has occurred and, you know, some of the things, as you can see from looking at these statutes, are shall prepare and adopt a policy statement, as a policy statement, a comprehensive development plan. So they would have to begin working on that plan. They...it says they shall consult with and advise public officials and agencies, public utilities, civic organizations. Perhaps they will have had a hearing process already. May delegate authority to any other groups named in subdivision (b) up there, like civic