

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Community Center
1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens
Wednesday, February 20, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 pm by Chair Janice Huxford

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Davis, Tracey Trout, Linda Hoult and John Cronin

MEMBERS ABSENT: Janice Huxford, Vicki Oslund and Tracey Trout

STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director Russ Wright and Planning Manager Josh Machen and Clerk Jennie Fenrich

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilmember Petershagen

Excused Absence: Commissioner Hoult made a motion and Commissioner Ewing seconded to excuse Commissioners Huxford, Oslund and Trout for their absences. Motion approved 4-0-0-3.

Guest business. None

Action Items:

1. Commissioner Hoult made a motion Commissioner Ewing seconded to approve the minutes as amended from 1/16/19. Approved 4-0-0-3.

Public Hearing:

Vice Chair Jennifer Davis asked for a motion to open the public hearing on the update to the Shoreline Master Program. Commissioner Hoult made the motion and Commissioner Cronin seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0-3.

Staff Presentation- Planning Manager Machen gave a background on the Shoreline Master Program. This is a periodic review that updates Shoreline properties for maintenance and landscaping. There have been two open houses, two mailings to all lake residents, as well as public noticing protocol.

Comments from the Commission: Commissioner Ewing asked for clarification on the portion of the report on ADA regulations. He asked if that was City initiated or State regulations. Planning Manager Machen replied that it was State law. Commissioner Davis asked if there were any written comments from property owners after the draft was sent out. Mr. Machen said there were no comments.

Comments from the Audience:

Sally Jo Sebring asked if the new Shoreline Master Program was consistent with the Critical Areas ordinance. Will this be consistent with the current regulations or the new regulations that will be set in the new future. Her second concern is with the soft landscaping walls are removable and worries that native plants can be easily removed. Planning Manager Machen responded that these regulations will be in line with the new upcoming regulations.

Comments from the Commission:

Commissioner Hoult asked Associate Planner Meis if she felt these new guidelines will offer more flexibility. Planner Meis replied that the current restrictions make it difficult for reconfigure docks and this will help property owners. Community Development Director Russ Wright shared there will be a briefing and joint meeting with City Council and Department of Ecology. He also thanked Planning Manager Machen and Associate Planner Meis for their hard work on this difficult task.

Vice Chair Davis asked if there were any further to discussion. Commissioner Hoult thanked staff for their great work on this and made a motion to approve this action to be forwarded to City Council. Commissioner Cronin seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0-3.

Commissioner Reports: Commissioner Cronin reported his dad has passed and would like to recognize his dad's public service for 4 decades. Commissioner Hoult asked that the meeting minutes from last meeting reflect that AT & T representatives did have access to the Wireless Communication Small Cell Facilities.

Planning Director Report: Community Development Director Wright reported this was the last meeting in the Community Center. He also reported gave any update on the Land Use Advisory Committee. They are a group of citizens who have been appointed to give feedback on Land Use designations. They were given a survey of visual preference and architectural design. They will discuss what the process will look like to implement their suggested recommendation.

Adjourn. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Hoult, seconded by Commissioner Cronin. Motion carried 4-0-0-3. Meeting adjourned 7:30 pm.



Janice Huxford, Chair

Jennie Ferrieh, Clerk, Planning &
Community Development