

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Remote Participation
Wednesday, May 5, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm by Chair John Cronin

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janice Huxford, Vicki Oslund, Jennifer Davis, Linda Hoult, Todd Welch and Mike Duerr

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director Russ Wright, Planning Manager Dave Levitan, Associate Planner Sabrina Gassaway and Clerk Jennie Fenrich

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilmembers Gary Petershagen and Steve Ewing

Chair Cronin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: All present

Guest business: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Huxford, seconded by Commissioner Hoult, to approve the minutes for April 21, 2021 meeting. (7-0-0-0).

Public Hearing-Amendments to LSMC 14.44.097(Marijuana Facilities)

The Planning Commission held a public hearing for a citizen-initiated land use code amendment (LUA2020-0189) to LSMC 14.44.097, Marijuana Facilities. Staff provided a brief presentation of the proposal and noted that the scope of the amendment had changed since the last Commission work session on the proposal, based on additional information provided by the applicant and the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (WSLCB). Staff reviewed its recommended amendments (Attachment 2), which were focused on clarifying the difference between child care centers and family day care providers, as well as optional amendments (Attachment 3) which would implement new buffer requirements between marijuana facilities and family day care providers and establish a citywide limit on marijuana processing facilities.

Chair Cronin opened the public comment period of the hearing and heard testimony from the public. After closing the public comment period, commissioners deliberated on the proposed amendment, and asked for clarification on the two sets of amendments included in the packet. Following deliberation, the Commission voted to continue the public hearing to May 19, 2021 and reopen the public comment portion of the hearing. Commissioners directed staff to revise the code amendment prior to the May 19 continued public hearing to include a new 1,000-foot buffer between marijuana facilities and family day care providers and a citywide limit on standalone marijuana processing

facilities.

Discussion Items:

Associate Planner Gassaway presented an update on a code amendment to add a new LSMC section (14.16C.078) related to determinations of lot status. This amendment was brought up to the Commissioner the meeting prior. The Commissioners asked that the draft be brought back to this meeting to received feedback from Chair Cronin as he is in the industry.

Commissioner Reports: Chair Cronin thanked City Staff for the City's work on the Lot Status Determination. Commissioner Welch is thankful we stayed in Phase 3 of reopening the State.

Director's Report: Director Wright had no report but offered to answer any questions from the Commission.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Moved by Commissioner Cronin, seconded by Commissioner Welch to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. The motion carried (7-0-0-0).



Jennie Fenrich, Planning Commission Clerk