



**PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 4, 2018
City Hall Mt. Rainier Conference Room
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Robert Estrada, Vice-Chair.

Roll Call

Planning Commission Members Present: Robert Estrada, Vice - Chair; Connie Coleman-Lacadie, Nancy Hudson-Echols, James Guerrero, and Christopher Webber

Planning Commission Members Excused: Don Daniels, Chair and Paul Wagemann

Planning Commission Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Tiffany Speir, Special Projects Planning Manager, Community Development; Weston Ott, Capital Projects Division Manager, Public Works; Courtney Brunell, Long Range Planning Manager; Community Development; Andrea Bell, Associate Planner, Community Development; and Karen Devereaux, Administrative Assistant

Council Liaison: Councilmember Mr. Michael Brandstetter

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on February 21, 2018 were approved by voice vote M/S/C Guerrero/Webber. The motion to approve these minutes passed unanimously, 5-0.

Agenda Update

None

Public Comments

None

Public Hearings

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

6 Year Transportation Improvement Program 2019-2024 1st Draft

Mr. Weston Ott, Capital Projects Division Manager, Public Works, presented information on the Draft 6 Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program for 2019-

2014. The primary objective of the program is to produce a comprehensive program for the orderly development and preservation of the City's street system. Only those projects identified in the adopted program are eligible for state or federal grant funding.

Mr. Ott explained the funding sources for these projects include Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax, transfers from Surface Water Management Fund for portions within the project related to surface water; grant monies secured from Community Development Block Grants, Washington State Transportation Improvement Board, Department of Transportation Safe Routes To Schools Program, Pedestrian and Bicycle Program, and City Funding Sources of Real Estate Excise Tax as well as the Transportation Benefit District.

The Planning Commission will view the final draft document at their next meeting prior to City Council holding a public hearing in late June with anticipated adoption in early July.

Sign Code Update

Ms. Courtney Brunell, Planning Manager, provided detailed information on expeditiously amending the sign code and reviewing it apart from the rest of Title 18A. Ms. Brunell reiterated the June 18, 2015 Supreme Court ruling of Reed v. Town of Gilbert that regulating signs based on content is unconstitutional. There are still permissible areas for regulation. The City of Lakewood is currently using an administrative policy to evaluate sign applications.

The current task is to rewrite the sign code in order to remove content based provisions. Staff reviewed other jurisdictions sign code amendments in a power point presentation and prepared a draft ordinance for the commission to consider.

Additional discussion is scheduled in the next meetings before the public hearing to be held June 6, 2018. Council will begin their review in late July.

Report from Council Liaison

Councilmember Mr. Mike Brandstetter updated the commissioners on the following Council actions:

City Council held a public hearing on the regulation of Adult Family Homes and Essential Services Facilities regarding the Resolution 2018-03 recommending licensing and zoning. Council is scheduled to take the next action in two weeks.

In May Council will hold a public hearing regarding prohibition or allowance of marijuana retail sales. Planning commissioners recommended prohibition of marijuana retail sales in Ordinance 2018-02. After the public hearing, Council will take action in late May or early June on this topic.

The continuation of the 2018 Chip Seal Program has been approved by Council. Work has been scheduled for a network of streets in the Oakbrook and Lake City neighborhoods. For more than 2 years the Planning Commission and Council have

been working with the Parker Property on Veterans Dr SW & Gravelly Lake Drive. The property was rezoned to R2 with intention to develop the 7 acres with 19 homes. The project has experienced delay due to staff developing a procedure for the Planned Development Process it involves.

Reports from Commission Members and Staff

City Council Actions

No updates from staff at this time.

Written Communications

None

Future Agenda Topics

On Monday, April 9, there is a Joint Council and Planning Commission Meeting during a study session in the Council Chambers. Council and Commissioners will discuss the Downtown Subarea Plan policy document and Environmental Impact Statement.

An additional joint study session between Commissioners and Council is scheduled for Tuesday, May 29th, to discuss the upcoming Comprehensive Plan Amendments schedule.

Area-Wide Planning / Land Use Updates

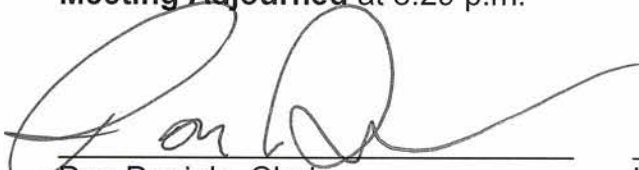
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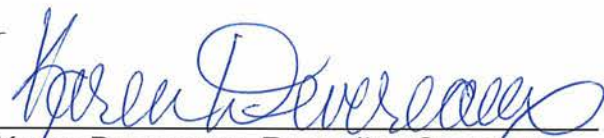
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Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

Meeting Adjourned at 8:29 p.m.



Don Daniels, Chair
Planning Commission 04/18/2018



Karen Devereaux, Recording Secretary
Planning Commission 04/18/2018