



**PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 6, 2019  
City Hall Council Chambers  
6000 Main Street SW  
Lakewood, WA 98499**

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mr. Don Daniels, Chair.

### **Roll Call**

Planning Commission Members Present: Don Daniels, Chair; Connie Coleman-Lacadie, Vice-Chair; Nancy Hudson-Echols, Christopher Webber, Ryan Pearson Paul Wagemann, and James Guerrero

Planning Commission Members Excused: None

Planning Commission Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Tiffany Speir, Special Projects Planning Manager; and Karen Devereaux, Administrative Assistant

Council Liaison: Councilmember Mr. Michael Brandstetter

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on February 20, 2019 were approved as written by voice vote M/S/C Wagemann/Guerrero. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

### **Agenda Update**

None

### **Public Comments**

None

### **Unfinished Business**

None

### **Public Hearings**

#### Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review

Ms. Tiffany Speir provided commissioners with additional written comments received earlier from The Tahoma Audubon Society and Clover Creek Council. Ms. Speir commented she had received requested edits and updates from the Department of Ecology as well.

Mr. Don Daniels opened the public hearing. Mr. Al Schmauder spoke and thanked City and staff for their willingness to make updates to the Restoration Plan for improvements to shorelines. Mr. Schmauder reiterated he is very much in favor of holding a yearly public meeting to get input on improvements to the Restoration Plan. He feels his group could successfully use the \$10,000 grant monies to incentivize property owners to become involved in programs of restoration along the creeks and surrounding lakes. Mr. Don Daniels, Chair, closed the public hearing. Commissioners will take action on their recommendation at the March 20 meeting.

## **New Business**

### Vision 2050 Update Status Report

Ms. Tiffany Speir explained that the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) is conducting an update to Vision 2040, reviewing and making changes to regional policies and planned growth patterns. The effort is extending the document planning horizon out 10 years thus being renamed Vision 2050. It is scheduled to be adopted in spring 2020.

Ms. Speir shared several fundamental issues that will be addressed through the plan update and identified a select set of priority policy issues that are driving the V2050 update process. Lakewood, Pierce County and several other jurisdictions criticized how economic growth had been so focused in Seattle and King County while residential growth has continued outside of King County resulting in increased commuting and housing affordability problems. Once V2050 is adopted it will include policies and strategies that will direct future residents and jobs to various parts of the central Puget Sound.

## **Report from Council Liaison**

Councilmember Mr. Michael Brandstetter delivered the following City Council updates:

The Planning Commission recommendation to approve the adoption of amendments to Title 18A as related to establishing a Quasi-Judicial Hearing Process in the Lakewood Municipal Code was passed by Council at their Monday, March 4, 2019 meeting.

Council passed an ordinance authorizing the sale of \$18 Million in bonds to fund five (5) transportation projects over the next three (3) years: Roadway Improvements at Gravelly Lake Dr SW from Washington Blvd to Nyanza, Roadway Improvements at Steilacoom Blvd from Weller to Custer Road; Improvements to traffic flow issues with dual traffic circles at Washington & Nyanza and Interlaaken & Nyanza; Curb-Gutter-Sidewalk and Street Lighting for pedestrian improvements throughout the Oakbrook neighborhood; and Curb-Gutter-Sidewalk Improvements along Veterans Dr from Nyanza to the American Lake Park entrance.

## **Reports from Commission Members and Staff**

### City Council Actions

None

### Written Communications

None

### Future Agenda Topics

On March 20, 2019 action will be taken regarding the Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Updates with a recommendation made to forward to Council.

### Area-Wide Planning / Land Use Updates

Comprehensive Plan Amendments staff recommendations discussions will begin in the coming weeks with a public hearing scheduled for April 3, 2019.

### Commission Member Reports

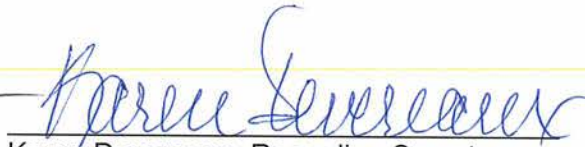
Mr. James Guerrero informed commission members he had recently attended a City of Puyallup focus group for increasing development in their downtown area. He noted the city has very high mitigation fees and permitting process is currently a year out. Mr. Guerrero commented that he feels pretty good about the process used in the Lakewood Downtown Subarea plan in comparison.

**Next Regular Meeting: March 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers**

**Meeting Adjourned** at 7:26 p.m.



Don Daniels, Chair  
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Karen Devereaux, Recording Secretary  
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