



**Lakewood Planning Commission
April 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Robert Estrada, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Planning Commission Members Present Robert Estrada, Chair; Phillip Combs, Vice Chair (arrived on Zoom after minutes vote); Linn Larsen (arrived after vote to approve 4/3/24 minutes), Mark Herr, Ellen Talbo, Sharon Wallace, and Philip Lindholm.

Planning Commission Members Excused None.

Planning Commission Members Absent None.

Staff Tiffany Speir, Long Range & Strategic Planning Manager; Troy Pokswinski, Capital Projects Division Manager; and Karen Devereaux, Administrative Assistant

Youth Council Liaison None in attendance.

Council Liaison Councilmember Paul Bocchi was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on April 3, 2024, were approved by voice vote 5-0 as written. M/S/C Herr/Wallace.

AGENDA UPDATES None.

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PUBLIC HEARING None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS

2025-2030 6-year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Review

Mr. Troy Pokswinski reviewed the draft 6 yr. TIP with commissioners. Included in the topics were Consistency with Land Use Management Plan, Grant Applications and Leveraging Local Dollars, and Funding Sources. Mr. Pokswinski noting there were many projects scheduled through the year 2029. Noting there were no significant additions to this year's program, PWE had adjusted the values and advanced each project cost by approximately 8% from the 2023 costs due to inflation.

Mr. Pokswinski relayed that the following 13 projects were removed from the TIP listing because they have been completed or are near completion:

1. Steilacoom Blvd -Farwest Dr to Phillips Rd
2. South Tacoma Way- 88th St to North City Limits
3. Hipkins Rd – 104th to Steilacoom Blvd

4. Murray Rd Corridor Capacity
5. Gravelly Lk Dr – Pacific Hwy to Nyanza
6. Washington Blvd / North Gate Rd / Edgewood Ave SW
7. Steilacoom Blvd – 88th -87th to Custer Rd
8. Ardmore Dr SW – Steilacoom Blvd to Whitman
9. Idlewild Rd SW – Idlewild school to Interlaaken Dr SW
10. 112th St SW – Idlewild Rd SW to Interlaaken Dr SW
11. Sidewalk Fill In on Farwest Dr – 12th to Lakes High School and 100th St Ct SW to Steilacoom Blvd
12. 84th St Pedestrian Crossing Signal at Pine St.
13. South Tacoma Way Pavement Restoration

Draft 2024 Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element & Regulations

Ms. Tiffany Speir provided a high-level summary of the draft Transportation Element updates. It was noted that Lakewood is planning for 9,378 more housing units, 574 emergency housing units, and 9,863 new jobs by 2044. This municipal growth, coupled with projected countywide and regional growth, will require Lakewood to plan creatively and efficiently for sufficient motorized and non-motorized “active” community transportation systems.

The draft 2024 Transportation Element was presented with 14 goals and 84 policies.

REPORTS

Council Liaison Comments

Councilmember Mr. Paul Bocchi updated commissioners on the following topics:

City Council has really appreciated the efforts of commissioners on the MFTE; however, due to neighborhood concerns voiced about the proposed expansion of the Residential Target Area in the Central Business District zone, the City Council had asked the Planning Commission to hold one more public hearing to allow public comment and testimony. Ms. Speir said this would likely take place in September due to the Commission’s set meeting schedule.

City Staff Comments None.

NEXT MEETING The Planning Commission would next meet on May 1, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Robert Estrada, Chair

Karen Devereaux, Clerk

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