



Lakewood Planning Commission August 5, 2026 Meeting Minutes

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mark Herr, Chair

ROLL CALL

Planning Commission Members Present: Mark Herr, Chair; Linn Larsen, Vice Chair; Katie Crook, Robert Estrada, Christian Flores, James Merritt, and Sharon Wallace

Planning Commission Members Excused: None

Planning Commission Members Absent: None

Staff: Angie Silva, PPW Assistant Director; Tiffany Speir, Planning Division Manager; Billie Stewart, Associate Planner; and Karen Devereaux, Commission Clerk

Council Liaison: Councilmember Ellen Talbo (absent)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION (Larsen): To approve the July 29, 2026, meeting minutes as presented.

SECONDED (Flores). **PASSED 7- 0.**

AGENDA UPDATES None.

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Cannabis Retail Sales, Processors, Producers and Testing Laboratories

Angie Silva, Assistant PPW Director, reviewed the proposed amendments and clarified any questions from the Commissioners.

Mark Herr, Chair, opened the public hearing. Planning Commissioners were provided written testimony received prior to the live hearing.

- Phil Raschke, Lakewood resident, spoke in opposition of the discussion for consideration of allowing cannabis retail sales, processors, producers and testing laboratories in the City of Lakewood.
- Paul Brice, Lakewood resident and WA Liquor and Cannabis Board member, spoke in favor of the discussion for consideration of allowing cannabis retail sales, processors, producers and testing laboratories in the City of Lakewood.
- AJ Peters, Lakewood resident, spoke in favor of the proposed Cannabis amendments.

- Brian Borgelt, Tacoma resident and Lakewood business owner, spoke in opposition of the proposed Cannabis amendments.
- Jan Gee, Lakewood resident, spoke in opposition of the proposed Cannabis amendments.

Mark Herr, Planning Commission Chair, closed the hearing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Action on Resolution 2026-07 (2026 Annual Development Regulation Amendments)

Tiffany Speir, Planning Division Manager, provided a review of the proposed amendments prior to the motion being made.

MOTION: (Larsen) To approve Resolution 2026-07 recommending the 2026 Annual Development Regulation Amendments to the City Council.

SECONDED. (Wallace)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mark Herr, Chair:	Yes
Linn Larsen, Vice Chair:	Yes
Katie Crook:	Yes
Robert Estrada:	Yes
Christian Flores:	Yes
James Merritt:	Yes
Sharon Wallace:	Yes

PASSED 7-0

Discussion and Action Resolution 2026-08 regarding Cannabis Retail Sales, Processors, Producers and Testing Laboratories

Angie Silva reviewed the draft Cannabis regulations and answered Commissioner's questions.

MOTION: (Larsen) To adopt Resolution 2026-08 recommending no action be taken to allow Cannabis Retail Sales, Processors, Producers and Testing Laboratories (i.e., that cannabis businesses remain prohibited in Lakewood) to the City Council.

SECONDED. (Wallace)

DISCUSSION.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mark Herr, Chair:	Yes
Linn Larsen, Vice Chair:	Yes
Katie Crook:	Yes
Robert Estrada:	Yes

Christian Flores:	Yes
James Merritt:	Yes
Sharon Wallace:	Yes

PASSED 7-0

NEW BUSINESS None.

City Staff Comments

- The next Planning Commission Meeting would be held September 2, 2026.

Planning Commission Members Comments None.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 7: 38 p.m.

Mark Herr

Mark Herr, Chair

Karen Devereaux

Karen Devereaux, Commission Clerk