



REGULAR SESSION JUNE 23, 2020 MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Robert Larsen, Planning Commission Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. Of the ten (10) currently appointed commissioners nine (9) were in attendance (a quorum being six (6) members and a majority being six (6) members):

Merle Ash	James Kamp	Tom Norcott
Leah Everett	Robert Larsen	Neil Pederson
Mark James	Keri Moore	Raymond Sheldon

Loren Simmonds was absent for this meeting.

Ikuno Masterson, Planning and Development Services (PDS), Long Range Planning Manager, served as Planning Commission Secretary for this meeting.

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B. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the [February 25, 2020](#) regular meetings were approved unanimously.

C. STATUS OF PAST RECOMMENDATIONS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ikuno Masterson relayed to the Planning Commission the activities before the County Council for action during the last several months. Ms. Masterson reviewed the agenda topics for the upcoming Planning Commission meetings.

[Planning Commission Activities](#)

[Planning Commission Future Topics](#)

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2020 County-initiated Comprehensive Plan Amendments: Briefing

Steve Skorney, PDS Senior Planner, 425-262-2207, Steve.Skorney@snoco.org

Steve Skorney briefed the Planning Commission on the annual consideration of county-initiated amendments to the GMA comprehensive plan. This year's package of proposed amendments consist of:



GPP20-3 – Technical Map Corrections

The 2020 technical corrections consist of the following amendments to the maps and text of the General Policy Plan (GPP) and to Title 30, the Unified Development Code (UDC):

- a) Updates to Maps 1, 2, 4 and 5 of the General Policy Plan (GPP) to recognize properties that are no longer under county jurisdiction due to a city annexation;
- b) Corrections to identified mapping errors in certain municipal urban growth areas in Map 3 of the GPP;
- c) Updates to the public wastewater systems map in the Capital Facilities Plan due to recent sewer district annexations; and
- d) Removal of references to the outdated Freeway Service zone in the GPP and in the UDC.

For further information, please review:

[Briefing Staff Report dated June 5, 2020](#)

[Presentation](#)

After a brief discussion with the Commissioners, the Public Hearing has been tentatively set for July 28, 2020.

2. Accessory Apartment Code Update: Briefing

Mitchell Brouse, PDS Senior Planner, 425-388-5127, Mitchell.Brouse@snoco.org

Mitchell Brouse presented proposed code amendments to SCC title 30 regarding the siting and development of accessory apartments (also known as “accessory dwelling units”). The Commission was also briefed on this topic in late 2018 and February 2020. The briefing provided an overview of the proposed code updates that will work to: 1) reduce regulatory barriers to the siting of accessory apartments while maintaining protections on public health, safety, and welfare; 2) clarify and simplify accessory apartment provisions; and 3) change the term "accessory apartments" to the more common, "accessory dwelling units".

For further information, please review the following:

[Briefing Staff Report dated February 18, 2020](#)

[Briefing Staff Report dated June 10, 2020](#)

[Presentation](#)

The Commissioners had a robust conversation around owner occupancy, square footage requirements, and parking. The Public Hearing has been tentatively set for July 28, 2020.

F. **ADJOURN**

This regular meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

A recording of this meeting is available on the Planning Commission website.

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