



# PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 17, 2018

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## CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Daniel Hubbell at 6:06pm in the City Hall Council Chambers at 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

## ROLL CALL

Chair Daniel Hubbell, Vice Chair Tiffin Goodman, Commissioners Carolyn Boatsman, Jennifer Mechem, Lucia Pirzio-Biroli, Craig Reynolds, and Ted Weinberg were present.

Evan Maxim, Interim Development Services Director, Andrea Larson, Senior Administrative Assistant, Lauren Anderson, Assistant Planner, Nicole Gaudette, Senior Planner, Andrew Leon, Planner, Robin Proebsting, Senior Planner and Bio Park, Assistant City Attorney, were present.

## MINUTES

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the August 29, 2018 meeting.

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Mechem to:

**Approve the August 29, 2018, September 5, 2018, and October 3, 2018 minutes.**

Passed 6-0-1

## APPEARANCES

There were no public appearances.

## REGULAR BUSINESS

### **Agenda Item #1: ZTR18-006 Fall 2018 Code Cleanup Code Amendment**

Andrew Leon, Planner, gave a presentation on the introduction and overview of proposed cleanup amendments to the Mercer Island City Code, intended to clarify and create internally consistent regulations.

The Commission discussed the proposed amendments.

### **Agenda Item #2: ZTR18-002 Critical Areas Code Amendment**

Robin Proebsting, Senior planner, provided a brief presentation on the Critical Areas Code Amendment.

Dave McCormack, Aspect Consulting, gave a presentation on the Best Available Science (BAS) report related to geohazard areas and answered the Commission's questions.

Erick Miller, Aspect Consulting, gave a brief presentation on Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas and

answered the Commissions questions.

The Commission took a break until 8:24 pm.

### **Agenda Item #3: 2019 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket**

Evan Maxim, Interim Director, gave a brief presentation on the 2019 Comprehensive Plan amendment docket recommendation to the City Council.

The Commission indicated that they would like to add the Transportation element with a limited multi-model amendment to the Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket.

It was moved by Pirzio-Biroli; seconded by Reynolds to:

**Recommend to the City Council adoption on the 2019 Comprehensive Plan amendment final docket, as described in the staff recommended draft resolution, and as amended to include a Transportation element regarding multi-model transportation**

It was moved Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:

**Amended the previous motion to include a 5<sup>th</sup> docket item that is an urban forestry plan.**

Failed 3-4.

Motion to amend failed.

The Commission directed staff to include an urban forestry plan in docket item #2 related to environmental protections.

Passed 7-0.

The main motion passed.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Evan Maxim, Interim DSG Director, gave a report on the community meeting at the MICEC regarding Community Facilities on October 11, 2018.

### **PLANNED ABSENCES**

Commissioner Reynolds will be absent at the November 7, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Weinberg will be absent on December 11 and 13, 2018.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Planning Commission meeting will be on November 7, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Mercer Island City Hall.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 pm.