

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES



Hybrid-via Zoom or in the Mill's Sawyers Room

6-5-2023

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm by Vice-Chair Jennifer Davis

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice-Chair Jennifer Davis, Commissioner Janice Huxford, Commissioner Bruce Morton and Commissioner Connor Davis and Commissioner Linda Hoult

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairperson Mike Duerr

STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director Russ Wright, Senior Planner Melissa Place and Clerk Jennie Fenrich

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilmember Ryan Donahue

Vice-Chair Jennifer Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Absence for Chair Duerr were excused. Motioned by Commissioner Huxford, seconded by Commissioner Hoult (5-0-0-1).

Guest business: None

Action Items: Minutes for May 17, 2023, motioned to approve made by Commissioner Morton, seconded by Commissioner Huxford as written (5-0-0-1).

Discussion Items:

Climate Sustainability Plan Update: Senior Planner Place gave an informational briefing on the update to the proposed plan. As a directive of HB 1181, the Washington Department of Commerce has initiated a multiyear project to develop a model element, as well as guiding policies and actions for addressing climate issues in city and county comprehensive plans. This Commerce guidance provides pathways to integrate both a climate resilience and mitigation element into a comprehensive plan, either as a set of integrated policies or standalone element. She asked for feedback from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Report: Commissioner Hoult apologized for missing the last Planning Commission meeting, but reported she had taken her mother to the Norwegian parade in Ballard and was very thankful to get to go in person.

Commissioner C. Davis reported that both Boy's and Girl's high school track teams are the Regional District Champions. He mentioned that a Park Ranger would be helpful to monitor crowds at the city parks. He also stated to get more parks by repurposing the former dump site of off 131st.

Commissioner Huxford and her husband were given a demonstration of the new drone Snohomish Valley Roofing donated to the police department.

Director Report: Community Development Director Wright commented that the city has been in discussion regarding Park Rangers. There is an ongoing discussion about repurposing the old dump site of off 131st. It will need to be brought into the city through annexation, and significant mitigation measures will be needed.

Adjourn: Commissioner Hoult motioned to close the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Huxford to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. The motion carried (5-0-0-1).

Jennie Fenrich, Planning Commission Clerk