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Lacey Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Lacey City Hall Council Chambers, 420 College St SE – and via Zoom

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Dave Wasson

Planning Commission members present: Dave Wasson, Kyrian MacMichael, Daphne Retzlaff, Peg Evans-Brown, Eddie Bishop, Cathy Murcia and Gail Madden. Staff present: Ryan Andrews, Martin Hoppe and Sarah Bartz.

Dave noted a quorum present.

Gail Madden made a motion, seconded by Peg Evans-Brown, to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting. All were in favor, the motion carried.

1. **Public Comments:** None.
2. **Commission Members Reports:** Kyrian MacMichael mentioned the newly passed state bills that impact housing and density. Peg Evans-Brown noted that it was her last meeting with the Planning Commission.
3. **Department Report:** Ryan Andrews thanked Peg Evans-Brown for her time on the Planning Commission and provided an update on Rick Walk's appointment as the new City Manager, which now moves to contract negotiations. Ryan also mentioned that parcels associated with Greg Cuoio Park will soon go before the Growth Management Boundary Review Board for movement into the Lacey Urban Growth Area.

4. **Public Hearings:**

6-Year Transportation Improvement Plan: Martin Hoppe, Transportation Manager. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2024 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). No written or oral public testimony was given. After conclusion of the public hearing, Eddie Bishop made a motion, seconded by Cathy Murcia, to recommend approval to the City Council. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Private Applicant Comprehensive Plan Amendment: Ryan Andrews, Planning Manager. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the Gwinwood Retreat Center Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezone. Oral Public Testimony was given by Kate Ayers, Director of Gwinwood Retreat Center. Kate complimented Ryan Andrews overview of the proposal and emphasized how important the rezone is to their organization & community. Oral Public Testimony was also given by Scott Goddard, Hicks Lake resident. Scott discussed the wildlife associated with the lake and adjacent wetland. He was supportive of the proposal to preserve this property as Open Space. **After conclusion of the public hearing, Gail Madden made a motion, seconded by Eddie Bishop, to recommend the plan amendment and rezone to the City Council. All were in favor, the motion carried.**

5. **Old Business:** None.
6. **Communications and Announcements:** None.
7. **Next Meeting:** June 6th
8. **Adjournment:** 6:58 p.m.

To hear the full discussion of a specific topic, or the complete meeting, watch the recorded video available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-RFoPeX9y4>

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