

MINUTES

Lacey Planning Commission Meeting
Tuesday, June 15, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.
Conducted remotely via videoconference

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dave Wasson.

Planning Commission members present: Dave Wasson, Gail Madden, Peg Evans-Brown, Daphne Retzlaff, Kyrian MacMichael, Mark Mininger, and Robin Vasquez. Staff present: Rick Walk, Ryan Andrews, Brandon McAllister, and Jessica Brandt.

Dave noted a quorum present.

Kyrian MacMichael made a motion, seconded by Mark Mininger, to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting and the May 18 meeting minutes. All were in favor, the motion carried.

1. Public Comments:

- Lynn Fitz-Hugh thanked Planning Commission for their support of the suggested amendments to the Urban Forest Management Plan and gave her opinion on the canopy goals.
- Janine Lindsay commented on the Plan and expressed appreciation for how the plan reflects a preservation of trees in Lacey.
- Wayne Olsen thanked Planning Commission for supporting suggested amendments to the Plan.
- Marianne Tompkins noted that she was on the tree task force, and said she feels enforcement is a tough issue that needs to be addressed.

2. Commission Members Reports:

- Peg reported on her attendance at the last Council meeting.
- Robin attended the Thurston Regional Planning Council a couple weeks ago, and the Lacey Parks Outreach meeting.
- Dave reported on his attendance at the remote Mayor's Gala.

3. Director's Report:

- Rick reported that the City is in the process of selecting a new police chief.
- Rick asked for feedback on the upcoming re-opening of the State and how that will effect City procedures and possibly transitioning to in-person or hybrid meetings. After a brief discussion, Commissioners are in favor of safely returning to in-person meetings.

4. New Business:

Introduction to the Water Comprehensive Plan Update: Brandon McAllister, Utility Engineer.

- Ryan introduced Brandon and gave some background info.
- Brandon explained that the Plan is a State mandated planning document for utilities on a 10-year update cycle, and gave a presentation.
- A discussion followed and staff answered questions.

5. Old Business:

Urban Forest Management Plan and Associated Regulations: Jessica Brandt, Associate Planner.

- Jessica went over the amendments to the Plan and LMC 14.32 since the last Planning Commission meeting.
- A discussion followed.
- **Gail Madden made a motion, seconded by Peg Evans-Brown to refer the Plan and LMC 14.32 to Council as amended. All were in favor the motion carried.**

6. Communications and Announcements:

- Dave reminded Commissioners that the July 6 meeting has been cancelled and the next meeting will be July 20, not July 10 as shown in error on the agenda.
- Robin noted that there will be a pop up market at the food truck depot this Friday.

7. Next Meeting: July 20, 2021.

8. Adjournment: 6:25 p.m.