



City of Longview

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Minutes

Agenda

Planning Commission

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

7:00 PM

City Hall

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1. **ROLL CALL**

Chairman Collins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Member Craig Collins, Member Trey Davis, Member Jeff Rauth, Member Ramona Leber, Member Joanna Lee, Member Alison Moss

Absent:

Staff Present: Mac Kosar, Planner; Sam Barham, City Engineer

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

24-00135 Planning Commission minutes of January 3, 2024

Corrections to previous minutes: Insert space between "passed" and "unanimously". Motion should read: "The motion passed by majority, with Member Alison Moss abstaining as a new member to the Planning Commission." Under Planner's Report section, correct "a" to "at" regarding the Fill and Grade permit item.

A motion was made by Member Ramona Leber, seconded by Member Jeff Rauth, to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2024 Planning Commission meeting with corrections as noted. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION OF CORRESPONDENCE**

None at this time.

4. **DECLARATION OF EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND APPEARANCE OF FAIRNESS**

Waived

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None at this time.

6. NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**24-00128 Data Center Developments Minimum Standards**

Recommended Action: Discussion, bring back Public Works/Utility Minimum Standards at next PC meeting

Mr. Kosar reviewed the draft standards, highlighting the updates.

As per Council direction, cryptocurrency mining, etc. is not permitted in, or as part of, a data center.

19.53.030 - correct "residential" to "industrial".

Discussion and recommendations of cryptocurrency definitions, code language.

Item will be brought back to the Commission after Public Works/Utilities recommendations.

7. OTHER BUSINESS**24-00127 Buildable Lands Inventory - CWCOC**

Recommended Action: Discussion

Mr. Kosar introduced the Buildable Lands Inventory (BLI) produced by CWCOC. This provides more data than just vacancy status.

Mr. Barham provided more information.

Staff is working to get the BLI inventory maps added to the GIS system.

Member Leber previously referred to a housing inventory study and is not sure the BLI will answer those questions, but the BLI is really good information. The vacancy rate data needs updating.

Member Lee mentioned the state and local relator associations may have the vacancy rate data.

Member Leber revisited House Bill 5363 regarding cannabis advertising noting it is now in House Committee. She feels the Planning Commission should possibly consider a moratorium on signage, advertising, etc. to deal with the impacts of the signed bill, as a pre-emptive measure.

Does the House bill override the City of Longview sign code? Staff will check with the legal department for clarification.

8. PLANNER'S REPORT

** Shared driveway draft approved by Council. The Ordinance will go before Council February 8, 2024*

** 5024 Ocean Beach Hwy and Totem Lane re-zones will go before Council February 8, 2024*

** A lot of pre-applications are being submitted*

Public Works

** Projects are still underway*

** Flashing beacons being installed at various crosswalks*

** Washington Way project pre-con has been scheduled*

9. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2024 at 7 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Collins adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Lisa Vertrees, Recorder