1. **6:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Nelson called the February 6, 2019 meeting of the Thurston County Planning Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners provided self-introductions.

**Attendance:** Commissioners Jennifer Davis, Scott Nelson, Tyle Zuchowski, Donna Nickerson, and Ed Fleisher

**Absent:** Jim Simmons, Doug Karman, and Raul de Leon

**Staff:** Allison Osterberg, Ian Lefcourte

2. **6:30 P.M. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Fleisher moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Davis seconded. Motion carried.

3. **6:30 P.M. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Not associated with topics for which public hearings have been held.)**

   1. Glen Morgan, Olympia, WA
   2. Loretta Seppanen, Olympia, WA
   3. Bill Dockman, Olympia, WA
   4. Liz Riner, Olympia, WA

The official audio is available online at:
http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/planning/planning_commission/planning_comm_minutes.html

4. **6:45 P.M. WORK SESSION: Comprehensive Plan Update- Major Educational Institution (MEI) Zoning Designation/Evergreen State College Land Use Amendment (Staff: Ian Lefcourte)**

Mr. Lefcourte presented a Power Point on the Evergreen College Land Use Amendment and draft proposal options. There were questions and comments by the Commissioners which Mr. Lefcourte addressed. A discussion ensued. There was two Evergreen representatives in the audience who were also able to answer questions. The mention of the 20,000 square foot parcel size being allowed for this new designation was discussed at length, with the Planning Commission requesting some rewrite of this section, possibly using acres instead of square feet when describing minimum parcel sizes. They also requested more information about the actual campus sizes in the Puget Sound area as a comparison. Additionally it was requested to reformat the table of Special Uses currently in Chapter
20.54 of the Thurston County code to include a new legend with new designations so it can be easily used for citizens to understand what is permitted on certain parcels.

MOTION: Commissioner Davis moved to go forward with Option A-2 only, once the document is simplified and not so specific. Commissioner Fleisher seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

5. 7:20 P.M. WORK SESSION: COMP PLAN UPDATE Follow up
(Staff: Allison Osterberg; Ian Lefcourte)

As requested by the Planning Commission at a previous briefing, Mr. Lefcourte did more research on “identifying significant views” from the draft Comp Plan Chapter 10 “Archeological and Historical Resources”. The Power Point presented comparisons to other communities and gave examples of what was included in other jurisdictions Comp Plans. There were questions and comments by the Commissioners which Mr. Lefcourte addressed. A discussion ensued. Some feedback received on next steps was to bring specific rural communities (not cities like Seattle) language in their comp plan to be reviewed, and also examples of what we would be considering as a “view” in Thurston County. The direction the Planning Commission gave previously would be to mention “identify” only, instead of “identify and protect” but they would like to go back to review the language presented in December before deciding if a change should be made now that this additional information has been presented by staff.

6. 7:45 P.M. STAFF UPDATES
(Staff: Allison Osterberg)

We received Bill Jackson’s resignation letter, so we will be recruiting a new member for District One. Jeremy Davis has accepted the position of Operations Manager starting February 19, 2019 so we will be recruiting for his Senior Planner position soon. Don’t forget to RSVP for the Short Course on Planning training happening on February 20th.

7. 7:50 P.M. CALENDAR:

February 20, 2019 Special Mtg:
March 6, 2019: All plan on attending.

8. 7:50 P.M. ADJOURN

With there being no further business, Chair Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

[Signature]
Scott Nelson, Chair

Prepared by Polly Stoker, Recording Secretary