



THURSTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes May 2, 2018

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2 **1. 6:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER**

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4 Chair Kramer called the May 2 meeting of the Thurston County Planning Commission to
5 order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners provided self-introductions.
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7 **Attendance:** Chair Tim Kramer, Commissioners Jennifer Davis, Donna Nickerson, Scott
8 Nelson, Ed Fleisher, Tyle Zuchowski, Bill Jackson, and Jim Simmons.
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10 **Absent:** Raul deLeon

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12 **Staff:** Andrew Deffobis, Krosbie Carter, Allison Osterberg, Jeremy Davis
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14 **2. 6:30 P.M. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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16 **MOTION: Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Davis**
17 **seconded. Motion carried.**
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19 The official audio is available on line at:

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21 [http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/planning/planning_commission/planning_comm_minutes.h](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/planning/planning_commission/planning_comm_minutes.html)
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24 **3. 6:30 P.M. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Not associated with topics for which**
25 **public hearings have been held.)**
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- Marian Bailey, Lakemoor Drive, Olympia
 - Rita Westling, Lakemoor Drive, Olympia
 - Carol Gruen, Lakemoor Drive, Olympia
 - Frederick Stence, Lakemoor Drive, Olympia
 - Shaun Coombs, Camden Park Drive, Olympia
 - Chris Song, Lakemoor Drive, Olympia
 - Jim Zahn, Yelm Highway SE, Olympia
 - JP Anderson, Lakemoor Drive, Olympia
 - Wendy Harris, Camden Park Drive, Olympia
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37 **4. 6:52 P.M. STAFF UPDATES**

38 *(Staff: Allison Osterberg & Jeremy Davis)*
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40 Ms. Osterberg explained there was a miscommunication after the last meeting about which
41 land use options were approved for the Spooner public hearing – staff had heard the
42 Planning Commission's direction to go forward with developing an option to change the
43 land use on the Spooner's property and adjacent properties to ensure consistent zoning, but

1 several Commissioners were surprised that this outcome was developed. Staff will ensure
2 any changes made before a hearing are clearly communicated with the Chair. On another
3 note the Planning Commission is subject to the Open Public Meeting act which is why staff
4 blind copies Planning Commission on each email. Unfortunately we can't have full
5 communication with all of the Planning Commission outside of the public meetings.
6 Regarding the request by the commission to cancel the public hearing, we could if our
7 policies and procedures were amended to allow this.
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9 Mr. Davis also shared some helpful tips which are found on the MRSC website (which was
10 handed out). There is also an online training available for the Open Public Meetings act.
11 It is time to do a refresher since most of this Board took the training in 2014. Staff will
12 send out the online training link, and requested feedback when it has been complete from
13 each commissioner. Staff passed out flyers about a training regarding a Planning training
14 happening in Tenino on May 17th. If attending, this would fulfill the open public meetings
15 act requirement.
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17 **5. 7:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING: SPOONER LAND USE AMENDMENT**

18 *(Staff: Krosbie Carter)*
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20 **Chair Kramer opened the public hearing and gave instructions to the public to testify.**

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22 Ms. Carter gave background information on the Spooner Land Use Amendment, written
23 comments submitted for the public hearing and additional information. The following
24 member of the public provided oral comments:
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26 Jeff Bender, Spurgeon Creek Road, Olympia
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28 **Chair Kramer closed the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.**
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30 **6. 7:20 P.M. WORK SESSION: SPOONER LAND USE AMENDMENT**

31 *(Staff: Krosbie Carter)*
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33 The applicant requested this amendment to create more natural boundaries on the property
34 and provides flexibility in the future of where a building could be put. There were
35 questions and comments from the Planning Commission which Ms. Carter addressed. The
36 written comments were then reviewed stating the concerns of those who submitted them.
37 A discussion ensued.
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39 **MOTION: Commissioner Nelson moved to recommend approval of Option One,**
40 **no change. Commissioner Davis seconded. Motion carried with 7 yays (Chair**
41 **refrained from voting as he knows the applicant.)**
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43 **7. 7:37 P.M. WORK SESSION: LAKEMOOR OPEN SPACE APPLICATION**

44 *(Staff: Andrew Deffobis)*
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46 Mr. Deffobis presented a Power Point reviewing the application and details of the project.
47 There were questions at the last meeting by the Planning Commission which Mr. Deffobis
48 addressed. The details of the trail were also discussed, but the Planning Commission was

1 reminded that the details of recreational use on the property are not relevant to the task at
2 hand of reviewing the Open Space application as submitted. A discussed ensued.
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4 **MOTION: Commissioner Fleisher moved to set a public hearing on Lakemoor**
5 **Open Space application for June 6th. Commissioner Nelson seconded. Motion**
6 **carried.**
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10 **8. 7:50 P.M. Additional STAFF UPDATES**
11 *(Staff: Allison Osterberg)*
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13 Ms. Osterberg explained additional Planning Commission meetings will be needed due to
14 the comp plan update and the number of topics to cover. With July 4th being canceled due
15 to the holiday, additional meetings requested were June 27, July 11 and July 25. The
16 Planning Commission agreed.
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18 **9. 7:58 P.M. CALENDAR:**
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20 May 16, 2018 – Ed Fleisher may not attend.
21 June 6, 2018 - all plan on attending.
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23 **10. 7:58 P.M. ADJOURN**
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25 With there being no further business, Chair Kramer adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.
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29 Tim Kramer, Chair

Prepared by Polly Stoker, Recording Secretary

