



THURSTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes July 21, 2021

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

3 Chair Simmons called the July 21, 2021 meeting of the Thurston County Planning
4 Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners provided self-introductions.
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6 **Attendance:** Commissioners Scott Nelson, Don DeHan, Eric Casino, Jim Simmons, Doug
7 Karman, Kevin Pestinger and Raul deLeon
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9 **Absent:** Ed Fleisher and Donna Nickerson
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11 **Staff:** Jennifer Davis and Andrew Deffobis
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13 **2. 6:30 P.M. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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15 **MOTION: Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner**
16 **Karman seconded. Motion carried.**
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18 **3. 6:30 P.M. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Not associated with topics for which**
19 **public hearings have been held.)**
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- 21 1. Phyllis Farrell, Sunwood Lakes, WA
- 22 2. Ann Van Swearingen, Olympia, WA
- 23 3. Jon Pettit, Olympia, WA
- 24 4. Bob Lanouette, Olympia, WA
- 25 5. Diani Taylor, Olympia, WA
- 26 6. Christy White, Olympia, WA
- 27 7. John Woodford, Olympia, WA
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29 **4. 6:50 P.M. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
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31 **MOTION: Commissioner DeHan moved to approve the July 7, 2021 minutes.**
32 **Commissioner Karman seconded.**
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34 **MOTION: Commissioner deLeon moved to amend the minutes to read on line 21,**
35 **page 2 “postcard with language and overlay map”. Commissioner Karman**
36 **seconded. Motion to amend carried unanimously.**
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38 The official audio is available on line at:

39 [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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1 **5. 6:56 P.M. WORK SESSION: SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM**

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3 Mr. Deffobis presented a Power Point to assist in reviewing the remaining policy items
4 needing Planning Commission guidance, as well as public hearing materials previously
5 requested. There were also 2 written comments provided to the Planning Commission and
6 uploaded to the website. There were questions and comments by the Planning Commission
7 which Mr. Deffobis answered. A discussion ensued. He then noted the feedback provided
8 by the Planning Commission and committed to incorporating it into the final draft for
9 public hearing. He asked Planning Commissioners to let him know via email if they would
10 like a hard copy of the whole draft. In addition to posting on the web page, there will also
11 be a copy of the document in the Building Development Center for the public to review
12 and if requested, copies can be made for the public for a charge.

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14 Staff showed a draft of the postcard to be mailed out to affected residents. The Planning
15 Commission discussed the content and intended recipients of the postcard. Ms. Davis
16 reminded the PC that content had been previously reviewed by the PC in 2020. She assured
17 the Planning Commission the public outreach for the SMP is on track to reach the most
18 citizens possible and that the public outreach plan has also been presented to the Board of
19 County Commissioners. There was a discussion of the role of the Planning Commission
20 related to public outreach materials review.

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22 Public hearing plans were discussed, and it was confirmed it will be in person and on virtual
23 on Zoom. The Planning Commission also requested the virtual open house materials be
24 available for review in Room 152 the night of the public hearing. Staff confirmed this was
25 possible as well as confirming county staff will be on site to answer questions prior to the
26 public hearing also. If requested, staff is also available during the open house period to do
27 smaller outreach meetings with interest groups, such as lake management districts, if they
28 are interested. Reserved parking spots were requested by the Planning Commission for the
29 hearing, which staff will look into.

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31 **MOTION: Commissioner DeHan moved to set a public hearing on the Shoreline**
32 **Master Program on September 15, 2021. Commissioner Nelson seconded. Motion**
33 **failed with 4 yays and 2 nays.**

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35 Staff asked the Planning Commission what specifically is needed to be able to set a public
36 hearing. There was a question of when the final draft will be available and staff confirmed
37 it will be ready by the end of next week to which Commissioner Karman replied he would
38 like the opportunity to read the entire draft document before setting a public hearing.

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40 Mr. Deffobis also added there will be another opportunity at the next meeting (August 4)
41 to set a public hearing for September 15, 2021.

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43 **6. 8:30 P.M. STAFF UPDATES**

44 *(Staff: Jennifer Davis)*

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46 Staff was happy to hear in public comment that there are suggestions of who may want to
47 be a part of the Wireless Code committee. The final names for consideration will be

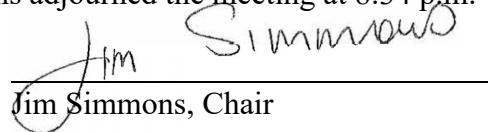
1 brought to the Planning Commission at the next meeting. There will be other new docket
2 items presented at the next meeting.
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4 **7. 8:34 P.M. CALENDAR**

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6 August 4, 2021: All plan on attending
7 August 18, 2021: All plan on attending.
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9 **8. 8:34 P.M. ADJOURN**

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11 With there being no further business, Chair Simmons adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.
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15 Jim Simmons, Chair

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