



THURSTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes October 16, 2019

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2 **1. 6:45 P.M. CALL TO ORDER**

3 Commissioner Nelson called the October 16, 2019 meeting of the Thurston County
4 Planning Commission to order at 6:45 p.m. Commissioners provided self-introductions.
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6 **Attendance:** Commissioners Scott Nelson, Jim Simmons, Doug Karman, Don DeHan,
7 Donna Nickerson and Ed Fleisher.
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9 **Absent:** Tyle Zuchowski, Raul deLeon
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11 **Staff:** Jennifer Davis, Brad Murphy, Christina Chaput, Ian Lefcourte, Andrew Deffobis
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13 **2. 6:45 P.M. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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15 **MOTION: Commissioner DeHan moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner**
16 **Simmons seconded. Motion carried.**
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18 **3. 6:45 P.M. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Not associated with topics for which**
19 **public hearings have been held.)**
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- 21 1. Patrick Townsend, Olympia, WA
- 22 2. Carolyn Wilmovski, Grand Mound, WA
- 23 3. Audrey Lamb, Olympia, WA
- 24 4. John Woodford, Olympia, WA
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26 **4. 7:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING: A-17 PRELIMINARY PLAT EXTENSION OF**
27 **TIME**

28 *(Staff: Christina Chaput, Ian Lefcourte)*
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30 **Chair Nelson opened the public hearing and gave instructions to the public to testify.**
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32 Mr. Lefcourte gave background information on the A-17 Preliminary Plat Extension of
33 Time amendment and presented an overview of the written comments submitted for the
34 public hearing.
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- 36 1. Jeff Pantier, Olympia, WA
- 37 2. Jim Ihnot, Kirkland, WA
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39 **Chair Nelson closed the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.**
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1 5. 7:25 P.M. WORK SESSION: A-17 PRELIMINARY PLAT EXTENSION OF TIME
2 *(Staff: Christina Chaput, Ian Lefcourte)*

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4 There were questions and comments by the Planning Commission which Mr. Lefcourte
5 addressed. He clarified how the phase extensions worked sequentially. As one phase is
6 complete, the next phase could receive an extension, up to ten years of extensions beyond
7 the initial five year approval.

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9 **MOTION: Commissioner Karman moved to approve Option B to amend A-17**
10 **Preliminary Plat Extension of Time, updating Sections 18.08 and 18.12 with proposed**
11 **code language. Commissioner Dehan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

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14 6. 7:30 P.M. WORK SESSION: SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM
15 *(Staff: Brad Murphy, Andrew Deffobis)*

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17 Mr. Deffobis presented a draft of Chapter 19.600 and confirmed staff is working through
18 all the comments received so far from the public, the Planning Commission and Ecology.
19 The Planning Commission will receive a complete version of the draft Chapter with
20 incorporated changes made from the comments received. Addressing the public comment
21 tonight, staff is aware of the new court case decision around aquaculture which came out
22 on Monday and confirmed we will take a look at that issue. As the comments and questions
23 from the Planning Commission were heard by staff, Mr. Deffobis committed to creating a
24 one-sheet to help explain the rules in Chapter 19.600 to the general public, and that it would
25 be ready in time for the SMP public hearing. The white board will also be brought to future
26 meetings to assist to explaining the different regulation scenarios. As referenced in Chapter
27 500, staff will also return with the answer about which permits need a Hearing Examiner
28 process at the county. Due to the time, it was decided to discuss the aquaculture elements
29 of this chapter at another meeting.

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32 7. 8:45 P.M. STAFF UPDATES
33 *(Staff: Jennifer Davis)*

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35 Ms. Davis confirmed once Mr. Deffobis has a chance to speak with Ecology, the
36 comments and suggestions for the chapter will be incorporated into the strikethrough
37 version and will hopefully be ready for review at the end of November meeting. We
38 have 2 positions open in Community Planning which have been advertised and
39 recruitments are underway. The Board held their public hearing on the Comp Plan
40 recently, and received the Planning Commission recommendation and will be considering
41 the deeper dive into Agriculture at the beginning of next year. They appreciate all of
42 your hard work on these topics. The Rochester subarea plan will be on the next agenda
43 for the November meeting.

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8. 8:50 P.M. CALENDAR:

November 6, 2019: Ed Fleisher will not attend.
November 20, 2019: All planning on attending.

9. 8:55 P.M. ADJOURN

With there being no further business, Chair Nelson adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.



Scott Nelson, Chair

Prepared by Polly Stoker, Recording Secretary

