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

Vice Chair Fleisher called the September 6 meeting of the Thurston County Planning Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners provided self-introductions.

**Attendance:** Vice Chair Ed Fleisher, Commissioners Tim Kramer, Jim Simmons, Donna Nickerson, Scott Nelson, and Tyle Zuchowski.

**Absent:** Chair Jennifer Davis, Bill Jackson

**Staff:** Jeremy Davis and Brad Murphy

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

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kramer moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Nelson seconded. Motion carried.

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

4. **6:30 P.M. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the July 19, 2017 minutes and accept the audio as the official record. Commissioner Kramer seconded. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Zuchowski moved to approve the August 16, 2017 minutes and accept the audio as the official record. Commissioner Kramer seconded. Motion carried.

The official audio is available online at:

http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/planning/planning_commission/planning_comm_minutes.html

5. **6:30 P.M. WORK SESSION: SIGN CODE AMENDMENT**

(Staff: Jeremy Davis)

Mr. Davis gave a presentation on updates to the Sign Code Amendment which included changes from the Planning Commission recommendation. Changes are due to further staff analysis of the Thurston County sign codes and legal case law. There were questions and comments by the Commissioners which Mr. Davis addressed. A discussion ensued.
Vice Chair Fleisher requested a copy of the legal cases which the most recent changes were referencing. The final considerations for this amendment will be with the Board of County Commissioners after they schedule their public hearing on the topic in October.

6. 7:05 P.M. WORK SESSION: SHORELINE MASTER PLAN
(Staff: Brad Murphy)

Mr. Murphy presented the first three chapters of the draft Shoreline Master Plan and also went over the review process timeline for the project planning meetings in the near future. The first three chapters are primarily background information for the SMP, including definitions, enacting regulations, and what codes it will be affecting. There was also a Gantt chart passed out with a tentative schedule of how the different meetings will interact going forward on this topic. It was confirmed that the public will have many opportunities to review what decisions are being discussed and have a chance to give feedback accordingly. There were questions and comments by the Commissioners which Mr. Murphy addressed. A discussion ensued.

7. 7:45 P.M. STAFF UPDATES
(Staff: Brad Murphy)

We have new staff which recently started, Janine Michaelis in the GIS Analyst position and Shannon Shula as an Associate Planner. Staff is also requesting to change the dates for the January 2018 Planning Commission meetings to help the flow continue for the Shoreline Master Program meetings. If this happens, special meeting notices will be sent out at that time.

8. 7:45 P.M. CALENDAR:

September 20, 2017 – all plan on attending
October 6, 2017 – Tyle Zuchowski not attending

9. 7:45 P.M. ADJOURN

With there being no further business, Vice Chair Fleisher adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Prepared by Polly Stoker, Recording Secretary