

CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

April 19, 2016

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Pat Huggins called the meeting to order at (6:37 pm).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners Stephanie Lokkebo, Eric Johnson, Lynda Tilley, Silas Maddox, Joe Fattizzi

Absent: Jennifer Jacobs

STAFF: John Coleman, JoAnn Lazon, Mark Freiberger, Public Works Director

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes Approved

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PUBLIC HEARING/S:

1. Proposed amendments to the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan and associated development regulations. File #CPA-1-15

City Planner John Coleman summarized the review process that the Planning Commission has been working on for the revisions to the Comprehensive Plan. The only remaining section of the Comprehensive Plan is the Transportation Element. Public Works Director Mark Freiberger pointed out the proposed updates to the Transportation Element.

- The updated Transportation element reflects completion of major capital improvements since 2005.
- The updated Transportation element is consistent with the 2016-2012 TIP adopted in 2015.
- Updates the travel demand forecasting section to reflect recent and projected growth patterns within the city, including the proposed development of the Center for Innovation and Technology.
- Traffic impact fee analysis included in the 2005 plan will be adopted separately from the comprehensive plan, but will mirror the project list included in the plan.

PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION: A discussion ensued to include the following:

- Major Non-motorized facilities within the city limits of Sedro-Woolley
- Discussion on future traffic project to assist in traffic congestion on major routes.
- 2015 Average Daily Traffic Volumes within the City.
- 2005 Average Daily Traffic Volumes within the City.
- State Highway Improvement Projects and Programs (Table 15)
- Impact Fee Eligible Projects
- Administrative revision-Policy statement T5.3 is revised to reflect RCW 36.70A.106.
- Administrative revision-Non-motorized Transportation Facilities. Addition of a statement regarding the City of Sedro-Woolley's adopted complete streets policy.
- Administrative revision-WSDOT standards. The city standards for minor arterials are (level of service) LOS C Classification. Staff suggests revising the text to (level of service) LOS D Classification for SR9.
- Discussion of the Centennial Trail, Cascade Trail and the future possibility of adding a trail along Brickyard Creek.
- Discussion of an intersection improvement project at Cook Rd and Trail Road.
- Discussion of the freight and rail services-The arterial roadway system and the BNSF Railroad.
- Goal T3 (revision of phrasing)-Change social welfare to social well-being.
- Policy T4.5 (Change the wording from provides bicycle storage facilities at community facilities and in commercial retail areas to encourage bicycle storage facilities...)
- Goal T5: Add-Encouragement of public input for city's transportation projects.
- Discussion of returning the rail corridor from Sedro-Woolley to Concrete.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Open: 7:29 pm

Randy Goode-35482 SR 20, Sedro-Woolley WA- Randy recommended to add language to Goal T5 (To promote the community vision among regional transportation agencies) asking the City of Sedro-Woolley to provide public participation on any current or future transportation projects.

He also encourages the return of the Sedro-Woolley to Concrete rail corridor to active rail use which would revitalize Sedro-Woolley and east county's economic recovery.

Randy made the suggestion of adding a list of transportation projects that will be discussed at City Council meeting in the public notice.

Closed: 7:48 pm

Commissioner Lynda Tilley made a motion to add a policy recommending that the city encourage the return of the Sedro-Woolley to Concrete rail corridor to active rail use which would revitalize Sedro-Woolley and east county's economic recovery.

Commissioner Eric Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote taken

Commissioners Lokkebo, Tilley and Johnson-Yes
Commissioners Fattizzi and Maddox -No

Commissioner Silas Maddox made a motion to adopt the transportation element of the Comprehensive Plan as amended at tonight's meeting.

Commissioner Lynda Tilley seconded the motion.

Vote taken

5-0

Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: None

PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Resignation of Jennifer Jacobs's position and the upcoming announcement of an open Planning Commission position.
- Commissioner Silas Maddox shared that Governor Inslee is making grants available to cities and towns for installing electrical car charger stations and he wanted to bring this opportunity to everyone's attention.

ADJOURNMENT - (Time: 8:42 pm)

PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY

Attendance: 5