

CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

January 19, 2010

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Rick Judd called the meeting to order at [6:36 p.m.]

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners, Rick Judd, Tom Gardner, Terry Carter, Pat Huggins, Jim Johnson, Tracey Donovan, Stephanie Lokkebo

Introduction of the new planning commission member-Stephanie Lokkebo

STAFF: Jack Moore, John Coleman and JoAnn Lazon

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes from the previous meeting-Approved

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Finalize Planning Commission 2010 work plan- City Planner/Building Official Jack Moore summarized the goal for tonight's discussion reference the 2010 Planning Commission work plan. The goal is to finalize the list tonight and bring it to the next joint City Council & Planning Commission work session on February 2nd. A discussion between Staff and the Planning Commission ensued to include the following topics and goals for the 2010 work plan.

- Design Standards for Commercial Developments
- The unfinished item on the 2009 Comprehensive plan docket-Funding Sources of park land purchases prepared by the Park's sub-committee.
- Parks and Trails-future workshops with citizens
- Working on the entire Design Standards Manuel
- Design standards for R-15 (multi-family residential zone)
- Clarifying the language on buffering between zones

- Preservation of native vegetation in the north area of Sedro-Woolley (Hwy 9 North Corridor). Incentives for individual homeowners and developers to preserve native vegetation and tree canopy and to use low-impact development to help alleviate the impact on Brickyard Creek
- Urban Forestry
- Discussion of traffic circles, raised sidewalks, adding sidewalks on both sides of SR 20.
- Modifying the PRD ordinance-density base suggestion
- Urban Village Mixed-Used Zone and Mixed- Commercial overlay-design standards and regulations.
- Process of developing the standards for SR 20- Possible future workshops between the Planning Commission, staff and the citizens reference the future design and look of SR 20.

NEW BUSINESS: None

COMMISSION DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Announcement of the City Council/Planning Commission work session on Feb 2nd @ 7:00 pm in the SWFD training room.
2. Jack Moore informed the Planning Commission that he has requested to the Public Works Department that the Planning Department be involved in the design stage of any upcoming road projects to implement more planning features (Planting strips, trees, etc.)
3. Commissioner Johnson, Huggins and Judd talked about the recent McGarigle/Fruitdale and Hwy 9 project and they requested to sit down with the Public Works Director Mark Freiburger and discuss some issues, concerns and maybe give some suggestions for better communications between the City and the property owners along the project.
4. Commissioner Jim Johnson brought up for discussion the reasoning behind the old Market Place Foods building sitting empty and possible incentives the City can use to encourage business owners to improve their property.

ADJOURNMENT – [Time 7:48 p.m.]

PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY

Attendance: 1