

City of Longview

Minutes

Planning Commission

Wednesday, March 4, 2015	7:00 PM	City Hall
	Ms. Christine Schott	
	Mr. Ray Van Tongeren	
	Mr. Craig Collins	
	Ms. Ramona Leber	
	Mr. Donald Maloney	

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Mr. Maloney, Ms. Leber, Mr. Warren, Craig Collins, Mr. Van Tongeren and Mr. Thur

Absent: 1 - Ms. Schott

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

PC Min 010715 PC Minutes of January 7, 2015

Attachments: PC Min 010715

A motion was made by Mr. Ray Van Tongeren, seconded by Ms. Ramona Leber, to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 7, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION OR CORRESPONDENCE

Todd Wade, realtor, would like the Planning Commission to look at the Regional Commercial zone/code. He feels it is an insurmountable obstacle to decent retail establishments in those areas.

Mr. Langdon replied the Planning Commission will be updating the comprehensive plan in the next two years. As well, although it involves a fee, property owners can apply for a zoning code amendment.

3.1 ORAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Persons in the audience may discuss business not scheduled on this agenda or any item of interest within the jurisdiction of the Planning Commission. The Commission will listen to all communication, but in compliance with the Washington Open Public Meetings Act, will not take any action on items that are not listed on the agenda.

3.2 WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.

Correspondence for the Planning Commission received after preparation of this agenda.

4. DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION AND APPEARNESS OF FAIRNESS DOCTRINE

Since there was no one present in the audience, the reading of the Declaration of *Ex-Parte Communication was waived*.

5. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

None at this time.

6. NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

PC 2015-3CITY COUNCIL INITIATED PROPOSAL TO ADDRESS PUBLIC3/4/15PARKS AND RV PARKS IN THE HEAVY INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

Attachments: Memo on recommended amendments

City Council has initiated a proposed zoning code amendment allowing public and RV parks in the Heavy Industrial District.

Mr. Langdon reviewed the memo and showed an aerial photo of Gearhart Gardens.

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas Warren, seconded by Ms. Ramona Leber, to schedule a public hearing for the proposed zoning code amendment allowing public and RV parks in the Heavy Industrial District on April 1, 2015 regular Planning Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

15-3714 WASHINGTON STATE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT AND PUBLIC RECORDS ACT TRAINING

Three Planning Commission members attended the Washington Open Public meetings training. It is required and there are other opportunities available.

8. PLANNER'S REPORT

* There is rising interest in both commercial and residential planning.

* We will be updating various areas of the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. langdon will meet with the City manager to develop a scope of work. A consulting firm will be brought in mid-year.

* Public Works will be working on water/sewer projects. The Washington Way bridge project is currently undergoing ground stabilization.

* The Downtown project is currently wrapping up. One block - Broadway to Hudson - is scheduled for next year.

* The Tennant Way improvement project will be going out to bid next month.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2015.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Lisa Vertrees, Recorder