



CITY OF MERCER ISLAND PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR VIDEO MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Hubbell at 6:01 pm from a remote location.

PRESENT

Chair Daniel Hubbell, Vice Chair Michael Murphy, Commissioners Kate Akyuz, Carolyn Boatsman, Victor Raisys, Michael Curry, and Adam Ragheb were present. All Commissioners participated in the meeting remotely using Zoom.

STAFF PRESENT

Staff participated remotely:

Jeff Thomas, Interim CPD Director
Alison Van Gorp, Deputy CPD Director

Deborah Estrada, Admin. Coordinator/Deputy City Clerk

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Katie Boissoneault and Debbie Hanson addressed the Commission and shared comments regarding the Code Amendment Docket.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Approve the September 28, 2022, Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Murphy to:
Approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022, meeting.
Approved 7-0

2. 2023 Comprehensive Plan and Code Amendment Docket

Deputy Director Van Gorp briefly introduced the docket process. Commissioner Boatsman expressed concerns regarding the docket process.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Akyuz to:
Postpone discussion regarding the City's docketing process until later in the meeting.
Approved 7-0

The following individuals addressed the Commission regarding the proposed amendments:

- Gardner Morelli
- Mike Murphy
- Carolyn Boatsman
- Dan Thompson

Prior to reviewing the proposed Comprehensive Plan and development code amendments, Commissioner Raisys read a disclosure statement into the record. There were no objections to his participation.

Deputy Director Van Gorp outlined the amendments and the Commission deliberated.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Ragheb to:

Recommend amendment No. 1 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 7-0

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Boatsman to:

Recommend amendment No. 2 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 6-1, with Commissioner Murphy voting no.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Curry to:

Recommend amendment No. 3 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 5-2, with Commissioners Akyuz and Murphy voting no.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Boatsman to:

Recommend amendment No. 4 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Failed 4-3, with Commissioners Akyuz, Hubbel, Murphy and Ragheb voting no.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Ragheb to:

Recommend amendment No. 5 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 6-1, with Commissioner Akyuz voting no.

A motion was made by Ragheb; seconded by Boatsman to:

Recommend amendment No. 6 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 5-2, with Commissioners Akyuz and Hubbel voting no.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Curry to:

Recommend amendment No. 7 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 7-0

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Boatsman to:

Recommend amendment No. 8 to City Council for inclusion in the final docket.

Approved 4-3, with Commissioners Akyuz, Hubbell, and Murphy voting no.

A motion was made by Boatsman; seconded by Akyuz that:

A review of MICC 19.15.230 and 19.15.250 be conducted with the goal of determining if any amendments are needed to reconcile inconsistencies,

Failed 5-2, with Commissioners Akyuz and Boatsman voting yes.

A motion was made by Raisys; seconded by Curry to:

Approving a proposed final docket including items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 to the City Council

Approved 7-0

In response to an earlier discussion regarding the City's docketing process, Commissioner Boatsman agreed to submit a proposal to staff for inclusion in the November 9 Agenda Packet.

OTHER BUSINESS

Deputy Director's Report

Deputy Director Van Gorp briefly reviewed the November 9 and December 14 agenda lineup.

Planned Absences for Future Meetings

There were no planned absences.

Announcements & Communications

There was discussion about adding the Planning Commission bylaws to the November 9 agenda.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission is a special meeting on November 9, 2022, at 6:00pm.

ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 pm