



PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES APRIL 21, 2025

This meeting was conducted in person at Snoqualmie City Hall and remotely using Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Chair Testman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Commissioners: Ashleigh Kilcup, Luke Marusiak, Dan Murphy, Simon Hurley, and Andre Testman were present. Commissioner Lambert's absence is unexcused.

City Staff:

Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Mona Davis, Interim Community Development Director/Senior Planner; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Nicole Wiebe, Community Liaison (remote); and Andrew Jongekryg, IT Support. Contract Planner Andrew Love (remote) and Consultant Andrew Levins were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

AGENDA APPROVAL - It was moved by Commissioner Testman, seconded by Commissioner Marusiak to approve the agenda which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – CM Johnson provided updates including Historic Retail Overlay and changes to Center and Mixed Use Final Plan, utility rate discussions at Council, Splashpad is in testing phase with grand opening to occur June 6, 2025. Commissioner questions followed with City Administrator Chambless providing additional information.

MINUTES

1. It was moved by Commissioner Testman, seconded by Commissioner Murphy to approve the minutes dated April 7, 2025, which passed unanimously.

PERMIT REVIEW/DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

The Planning Commission, sitting as the Design Review Board or the Historic Design Review Board, reviews the design of certain development proposals in Snoqualmie. The Planning Commission also reviews certain development permits per the Snoqualmie Municipal Code. Public comment may be limited for some or all of these items due to the nature of the permit approval process.

2. **DRB2025-0001:** Snoqualmie Valley Health - Design Review Board Presentation by PJ Bauser of Mahlum Architects and Renee Jensen of Snoqualmie Valley Health. Topics covered included project site location, anticipated uses and features, trail access, and review of select site plans. Commissioner questions followed and included traffic impacts, proposed users of fitness room and climbing wall, non-motor vehicle access, landscape buffer along the parkway, and parking demands including EV charging. Staff comments provided by Consultant Andrew Levins. Commissioner questions followed and included clarification of next steps.

It was moved by Commissioner Testman, seconded by Commissioner Murphy to:

Approve the application for design review as submitted without conditions.

PASSED: 5-0 (Testman, Marusiak, Kilcup, Hurley, Murphy)

OLD BUSINESS

3. SMC 17.35 Historic Overlay - Color Palette Presentation and Discussion. Introduction by Interim Community Development Director Mona Davis and presentation by Contract Planner Andrew Love. Topics included background, map of historic areas, review of last meeting, and color palette options. Discussion followed including eliminating the use of Pantone colors due to trademark issues. It was suggested to have a representative of the Historic Preservation Association speak to the commission. Next steps include public comment, potential adoption of Orting palette and construction augmenting existing colors in the code, and guidelines.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY ITEMS/REGULATIONS – There were no items.

OTHER BUSINESS

Items of Planning Commission Interest: Nothing to add.

Upcoming Schedule: The next meeting is set for May 5, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Testman, seconded by Commissioner Hurley to adjourn the meeting which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 pm.

Minutes prepared by Deana Dean, City Clerk.

Recorded meeting audio is available on the City website after the meeting.

Minutes approved at the May 5, 2025, Planning Commission Meeting.