

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES MARCH 17, 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 7:03 pm.

Commissioners: Ashleigh Kilcup (remote), Luke Marusiak, Dan Murphy, and Andre Testman were present.

It was moved by Commissioner Testman, seconded by Commissioner Marusiak to excuse Commissioners Lambert and Hurley which passed unanimously.

Councilmember Jo Johnson was present.

City Staff:

Mona Davis, Interim Community Development Director/Senior Planner; Deana Dean, City Clerk; and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were no public comments.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

COUNCIL LIASION UPDATE

Councilmember Johnson had no update but answered commissioner questions regarding the public hearing regarding the water reclamation facility.

MINUTES

1. It was moved by Commissioner Testman, seconded by Commissioner Murphy to approve the minutes dated March 3, 2025, which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Comprehensive Plan: Climate Element. This item was introduced by Interim Community Development Director Mona Davis. Consultant Chris Green from Otak (remote) provided a presentation on climate change and resiliency. Topics included review of the project, CPAT progress report, engagement progress report, overview of sub-elements, and next steps. It was noted there have been two opportunities for community input. Climate planning workshops were held on February 27, 2025, and March 6, 2025. Commissioner comments under climate hazard priorities included smoke/air quality, ventilation, threats due to high winds, and investments in urban forestry including protection of wildlife. Commissioner Murphy inquired as to when the emergency management plan was last updated. Discussion followed and included wildfires, forest management, 2019 GHG inventory figures, and emissions reductions. Commission questions answered throughout the presentation.

PERMIT REVIEW/DESIGN REVIEW BOARD – There were no items.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Items of Planning Commission Interest

3. Growth and Economic Development Video. Part 2: Economic Development in Snoqualmie by Mayor Larson in June 2017 was reviewed.

Commissioner Marusiak inquired about drought and freshwater status. Staff will have a public works staff member speak to the commission at a future meeting.

Upcoming Schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Minutes prepared by Deana Dean, City Clerk. Recorded meeting audio is available on the City website after the meeting. Minutes approved at the April 7, 2025, Planning Commission Meeting.