

MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER PLANNING COMMISSION

August 26, 2025



CONVENE: 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Elizabeth Robbins, Vice Chair Brandon Staff and Commissioners Terry Kirkpatrick, Sandra Nelson and Gina Kotek

Excused: Commissioner Nelida Daniels and Grace Edwards

Staff: Housing and Land Use Planner Erika Smith-Erickson and Associate Planner Dana Bowers

Others: Fehr & Peers – Consultant, Daniel Dye

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: The Chair moved the Manager’s Report to follow the presentations.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES Commissioner Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick, to approve the minutes of September 10, 2024, July 8, 2025 and July 22, 2025 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORT: No reports

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment was given by community member Norton.

2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PERIODIC UPDATE- TRANSPORTATION PLAN: Planner Bowers and Consultant Dye presented on the Transportation Plan including the Biking Walking Rolling Plan, Plan Goals, Project List and Funding Opportunities.

Discussions ensued throughout about future needs of the aging population, and the capacity of streets for emergency services.

Suggestions for the plan included providing the prioritization matrix for the project list and adding information about State facilities describing interactions with the local network and safety.

**2025
COMPREHENSIVE
PLAN PERIODIC
UPDATE – CLIMATE
ELEMENT UPDATE:**

Manager Jones Wood presented on the Climate Element including data from the Washington Department of Health Environmental Health Disparities Map, public outreach, public comments, and how the comments were addressed in the plan.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

Director Medrud reported that Sharon Lumbantobing has accepted the role of Deputy Director and will start on October 16, 2025.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business Chair Robbins adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Prepared by Dana Bowers, Associate Planner