

Spokane Plan Commission Minutes

September 23, 2020

Webex Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM by Todd Beyreuther

Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Michael Baker, Todd Beyreuther(President), John Dietzman, Greg Francis(Vice President),Thomas Sanderson, Carole Shook, Diana Painter, Jo Anne Wright, Candace Mumm (City Council Liaison), Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison), Clifford Winger
- Board Members Not Present: Sylvia St. Clair
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Louis Meuler, Jackie Churchill

Public Comment:

None in Briefing Session.

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the September 9, 2020 meeting approved unanimously.

President Beyreuther made a motion to move Board Business to the briefing session after the workshops and before the hearing to discuss the Work Plan 2020. Motion approved unanimously.

1. City Council Liaison Report - Candace Mumm

- CM Mumm reported that the City Council is considering implementing a councilmanic sales tax to help with affordable housing and will continue considering, listening to proposals, and doing outreach through the end of the year before making a decision.
- CM Mumm reported that the Northtown Center business has been suffering due to COVID-19 Pandemic and is a great opportunity to invest in higher density housing in that area.

2. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Mary Winkes

- Ms. Winkes reported that she is now the Community Assembly Liaison on the Spokane Housing Plan Committee.

3. Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther

- Vice President Greg Francis reported on a Single Family Zoning presentation that focused on housing disparity and lack of housing affordability in Seattle.
- President Beyreuther stated that he is in touch with subject matter experts who are willing to join the joint Plan Commission/Design Review Board/Historic Preservation subcommittee meeting that is being planned for late October.

4. Transportation Subcommittee Report - John Dietzman

- "Mr. Dietzman reported that the Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee will meet on 10/6/20. He is working on a proposal for forming a new committee that would reconstitute the CTAB committee which would use the same board members and continue to focus on residential maintenance but also expand to arterial maintenance projects.
 - Diana Painter joined meeting at 2:24pm.

5. Secretary Report - Louis Meuler

- Mr. Meuler reported that Planning Department is starting to interview to replace Planner Shauna Harshman who has moved to a different job within the City. He also reported that Neighborhood and Planning Services is under a transition as Neighborhood Services will be under new management and is no longer part of the long term Planning Department.

Workshop(s):

1. Housing Action Plan Update

- Presentation provided by Maren Murphy
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

2. Code Cleanup Title 17

- Presentation provided by Melissa Wittstruck
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Board Business:

2020-2022 Draft Work Program

- Presentation provided by Louis Meuler
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued
- *Greg Francis motioned to approve the Draft Work Plan 2020 as shown and amended as discussed to City Council for approval. Motion seconded by Jo Anne Wright. Motion Approved Unanimously.*

Hearing:

1. Street Standards Update

- Presentation provided by Inga Note
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued
- Public Comment: none
- *Greg Francis made a motion to continue the Street Standards Update Hearing to the next Plan Commission meeting on October 14th. Seconded by Michael Baker. Motion passes unanimously.*

2. Comprehensive Plan Update

- Presentation provided by Kevin Freibott
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued
- **Z20-042COMP: Arterial Network Map**
 - **Public Comment: none**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z20-042COMP to City Council as written and presented. Seconded by John Dietzman. Motion passed. (9, 0)*
- **Z20-045COMP:**
 - **Public comment: none**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z20-045COMP to City Council as written and presented. Seconded by Michael Baker. Motion passed. (9, 0)*

- **Z19-499COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z19-499COMP to City Council as written and presented. Motion seconded John Dietzman. **Motion passed (9, 0)***

- **Z19-501COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z19-501COMP to City Council as written and presented. Motion seconded by John Dietzman.*
 - *Greg Francis made a friendly amendment to the motion to change zoning to Office-35 and underlying land use to match. Seconded by Thomas Sanderson.*
 - *Greg Francis made a friendly amendment to the amended motion to include and have the Planning Department evaluate the applicability of Land Use Standards 1.5 to the Comprehensive Plan and bring forward at next meeting on Oct. 14. Seconded by Thomas Sanderson. **Amendment to the motion and amendment to the amendment failed unanimously***
 - *Michael Baker calls for the question on the main motion. **Motion fails to carry (0,9)***
 - *Michael Baker motioned to deny Z19-501COMP as inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan policy. Seconded by Jo Anne Wright. **Motion passed (9,0)***

- **Z19-502COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z19-502COMP to City Council as written and presented. Motion seconded by Carole Shook.*
 - *Greg Francis made a friendly amendment to the motion to remove parcels 35273.0219 and 35273.0220 from the original motion. Seconded by John Dietzman. **Amendment to the motion passed (9,0)***

Amended Main Motion passed (9,0)
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend denial of 35273.0219 and 35273.0220 due to lack of compliance with Land Use Standards 1.5 (Office Uses). Seconded by Jo Anne Wright. **Motion Passed (9,0)***

- **Z19-503COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z19-503COMP to City Council as written and presented. Seconded by Jo Anne Wright. **Motion Passed (8,1)***

- **Z19-504COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z19-504COMP to City Council as written and presented. Seconded by Jo Anne Wright. **Motion Passed (9,0)***
 - **Commissioner Diana Painter left the hearing at 6:18 pm.**

- **Z19-505COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z19-505COMP to City Council as written and presented. Seconded by Michael Baker. **Motion failed (3,5)***
 - *Greg Francis calls the question. Seconded by Michael Baker*
 - *Greg made a motion to recommend denial of Z19-505COMP based on inconsistency with Land Use Standards 1.3 and Land Use Standards 1.4. Second by John Dietzman. **Motion passed (7,0,1)***

- **Z20-019COMP:**
 - *Greg Francis moved to recommend approval of Z20-019COMP to City Council as written and presented. Seconded by Michael Baker. **Motion passed (8,0)***

Meeting Adjourned at 7:09 PM

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2020