

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, August 23, 1988

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1:30 p.m. Work Session - Northern State Property/County Fair

3:00 p.m. Planning Commission Referred Items:

1. Rezone Application #R-88-005 for Robert Farrell.
2. Wilderness Village Division #13 Final Plat.
3. Amendment to the Skagit County Code 14.04.190, "General Provisions," that would allow sideyard setback easements/agreements in lieu of the normal sideyard setback requirements.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 23, 1988, with Commissioners Vaux, Walberg and Rohrer present.

Work Session - Northern State Property/County Fair

Jon Aarstad, Director of Parks and Recreation, and Dave Hough, Senior Planner, presented information to the Board of Commissioners regarding estimated budget expenditures for the next three years in connection with the relocation of the Skagit County Fair.

Jones Atterbury, of Lundquist Realty, presented a proposal to the Board regarding a lot for sale near the present fairground. The Board of Commissioners will make arrangements to visit the site and further consider the proposal.

MISCELLANEOUS

In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved and signed a contract between Skagit County and Sumas Transport, Inc., for the construction of the Burlington-Edison Regional Park.

Planning Commission Referred Items

1. Rezone Application #R-88-005 for Robert Farrell

At the request of Chairman Vaux, Gary Christianson, of the Planning and Community Development Department, listed the decision options available to the Board of Commissioners, and gave an overview of the rezone request. Mr. Christianson reported that the Planning Commission considered the request on August 8, 1988, and recommended unanimously that the rezone request be denied based upon testimony given and a list of seven findings.

Kent Haberly, an Attorney representing R. Pat Farrell, the property owner and Mr. Gus Cecotti, the proposed renter, spoke in favor of the rezone and requested the Board to refer the matter to a Public Hearing. Mr. Haberly also mentioned the possibility of applying for a Special Use Permit if the rezone were to be denied.

Commissioner Walberg directed questions to Mr. Haberly regarding how a Special Use Permit would negate the seven points cited in the Planning Commission's denial.

John Abenroth, a neighboring property owner, spoke on behalf of the adjacent property owners, requesting the Board to uphold the Planning Commission's decision.

Commissioner Rohrer spoke in favor of the denial, but said he would be supportive of a Special Use Permit.

Commissioner Walberg spoke in favor of upholding the Planning Commission's denial of the rezone.

Commissioner Vaux stated he did not see the possibility of a rezone in the foreseeable future, but stated that he sees much value in keeping Mr. Cecotti's business in Skagit County and felt the County has a responsibility to help Mr. Cecotti relocate.

Commissioner Rohrer moved to adopt the Planning Commission's recommendation for denial of Rezone Request #R-88-005. Commissioner Walberg seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Wilderness Village Division #13 Final Plat

Dave Hough, of the Planning and Community Development Department, gave background on the development and the proposal.

The Planning Commission considered the proposed final plat on August 8, 1988 and recommended unanimously for approval.

Hearing no further comments, Commissioner Rohrer moved to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of the Final Plat. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Amendment to the Skagit County Code 14.04.190, "General Provisions," that would allow sideyard setback easements/agreements in lieu of the normal sideyard setback requirements.

Dave Hough, of the Planning and Community Development Department, presented an explanation of the proposed amendment and stated that the Planning Commission had considered the amendment on August 8, 1988, and had voted 9-0 in favor of approval.

Commissioner Rohrer moved to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of the amendment to the Skagit County Code 14.04.190 "General Provisions," adding a provision that would allow sideyard easements as an alternative means to comply with the minimum sideyard setback requirements. Commissioner Walberg seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Don Wick, of the Economic Development Association of Skagit County, introduced Bob Russell of Firewall Forward, Inc., and Kraig Kushar and Joan Machlis, of the State of Washington Department of Community Development. Mr. Russell is locating his business at the Port of Skagit County and is requesting the Board's assistance in obtaining a loan from the Development Loan Fund.

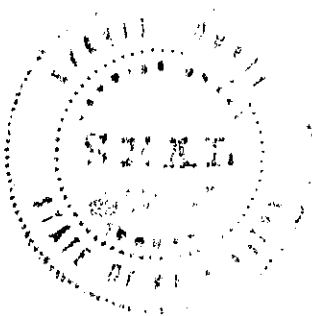
The matter will be placed on the Commissioners' Agenda for further discussion.

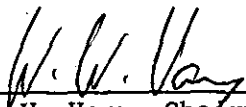
2. Commissioner Rohrer moved to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Wednesday, June 8, 1988. Commissioner Vaux seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON





W. W. Vaux, Chairman

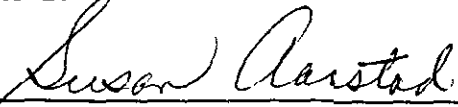


Kimberly Walberg, Commissioner



Dave Rohrer, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Susan Aarstad, Acting Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners