

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2016**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, with Chair Lisa Janicki, Commissioner Ron Wesen, and Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Janicki called the proceedings to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Janicki led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

III. AGENDA:

a) 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Planning and Development Services - Dale Pernula, Director:

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Final Direction from the Board of County Commissioners on the Comprehensive Plan

Director Dale Pernula; Assistant Director Ryan Walters; and Senior Planner Kirk Johnson were present to address the public comments on the 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update.

Mr. Pernula noted that Comprehensive Plan process had taken about two (2) years of work to complete but a few issues still needed to be resolved before the Department could prepare a final Ordinance to bring before the Board. He addressed the comments that were received from the Guemes Island development regulation proposal, the staff report dated June 24, 2016, and said that the Department believed that the regulation as currently proposed was reasonable because it provided opportunities for reasonable development even on small lots while protecting open space and views on Guemes Island, and that the Department recommended no change to this portion of the proposal.

The Department recommended the deletion of the list of Skagit County capital projects in the Economic Development Element of the Comprehensive Plan since the projects mostly existed in other adopted County plans that were part of the Comprehensive Plan (e.g., the Parks Comprehensive Plan, the Capital Facilities Plan, and the Transportation Improvement Program).

Mr. Pernula went on to address the 200 ft. setback from the Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands (Ag-NRL) and the Industrial Forest-Natural Resource Lands (IF-NRL) zones and provided the Commissioners with the following three options: 1) add a process which would require a Hearing Examiner Variance for both Ag-NRL (adoption of the Planning Commission recommendation; 2) add the Hearing Examiner variance only for the IF-NRL; and 3) retain the status quo. He indicated that all options would still require the signature of the adjoining NRL owner.

A discussion ensued regarding the Ag-NRL and property rights and the differences between Ag-NRL and IF-NRL and the Commissioners directed the Department to leave the status quo for the Ag-NRL and require the Hearing Examiner variance for the IF-NRL.

Mr. Johnson addressed public comments that concerned the public being able to access prior versions of the Comprehensive Plan and he noted prior versions would be available to the public on the Planning and Development Services website, under the Comprehensive, listed under Historical Documents:

http://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningAndPermit/comp_toc.htm

Mr. Pernula indicated that the Board of County Commissioners directions would be included in the Ordinance and would be brought forward for consideration at the Special Meeting on Thursday, June 30, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 9:22 a.m.

b) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Public Health - Bob Hicks, Operations Manager and Kayla Schott-Bresler, Housing Coordinator:

1. Discussion/Possible Action Regarding Certification of Housing Authority of Skagit County's Annual Plan

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 9:32 a.m.

Operations Manager Bob Hicks introduced the agenda item.

Housing Coordinator Kayla Schott-Bresler noted Skagit County had a Consolidated Plan which was part of the Tri-County Home Consortium. She said that the Consolidated Plan outlined the housing needs as well as action steps that were being taken to address the regions housing needs. Ms. Schott-Bresler mentioned that any jurisdiction with federal funding passing through it was required to have a Consolidated Plan in place and that local housing authorities were required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to have a public body certify the consistency of their plan with the local or state plan.

Ms. Schott-Bresler said that after reviewing the Housing Authority of Skagit County's 5-year PHA Plan and/or Annual Plan, Skagit County Public Health had found that it was consistent with the Skagit County Consolidated Plan's objectives to provide decent housing; provide a suitable living environment, and, expand economic opportunity. She said that the Housing Authority of Skagit County's PHA Plan was also consistent with Skagit County's Consolidated Plan priority to increase the affordable housing supply.

Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Skagit County Melanie Corey provided information about the streamlined Annual Plan and explained that this was the first year that HUD required local officials to certify that the plan was in compliance. She noted that only essential changes were required to be reported in the streamlined Annual Plan and confirmed that they had complied with the requirement to post a notice in the newspaper about the Annual Plan being available for review by the public, and that the Housing Authority had applied for had received seven (7) new HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers. Information about the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program was provided. Ms. Corey indicated that the final step in the process after the Board of County Commissioners sign the Certification Form would be a public hearing which would take place during the Housing Authority's July 13 board meeting. After the public hearing, the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners would sign the Certification Form.

Commissioner Ron Wesen made a motion to sign the Certification of the PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The Commissioners signed the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Public and Indian Housing OMB No. 2577-0226 Certification by State of Local Official of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidate Plan.

[Link to signed copy of Certification of Housing Authority of Skagit County's Annual Plan:](ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/06272016/)

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 9:57 a.m.

c) 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Budget and Finance - Trisha Logue, Director:

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 10:02 a.m.

Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue outlined the proposed amendments to the Skagit County Budget and noted that the General, Clean Water Program, Conservation Futures, and Lake Management Districts 1 and 3 Funds would incur expenditures and amounts other than anticipated.

1. Public Hearing to Consider Testimony Regarding Amending the 2016 Skagit County Budget

Chair Janicki opened the public hearing at 10:05 a.m. seeing no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Wesen made a motion to close the public hearing at 10:05 a.m. the motion passed unanimously.

2. Possible Action - Resolution to Amend the 2016 Skagit County Budget (**Resolution No. R20160177**)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve a Resolution to Amend the 2016 Skagit County Budget. Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

- d) 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Emergency Medical Services - Mark Raaka, Director:

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m.

1. Program/Provider Updates

- e) 11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Board of County Commissioners:

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:30 a.m.

1. County and Individual Success Stories

There were no County and Individual Success Stories provided.

2. Public Comment Period

There was no one present to provide public comment.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:32 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board