

Skagit County Planning Commission’s Recorded Motion Regarding the 2016-2021 Capital Facilities Plan, Impact Fee Schedule, and Related Code Amendments

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Proposal name:	2016-2021 Capital Facilities Plan, Impact Fee Schedule, and Related Code Amendments
Documents available at:	www.skagitcounty.net/cfp
Public hearing body:	Skagit County Planning Commission
Public hearing date:	Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at 6 p.m.
Written comment deadline:	Thursday, October 8, 2015, at 4:30 p.m.
PC deliberations:	Tuesday, October 20, 2015

After considering the written and spoken comments and considering the record before it, the Planning Commission enters the following findings of fact, reasons for action, and recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners.

Findings of Fact and Reasons for Action

1. RCW 36.70A.070(3) requires that a Comprehensive Plan include a capital facilities planning element that provides an inventory of publicly owned capital facilities, forecast of future needs, identification of the location and capacity of expanded or new facilities, a six-year financing plan for additional projects necessary to support development, and a requirement to reevaluate the land use element if the financing falls short of meeting existing needs. The statute further provides that park and recreation facilities must be included in the capital facilities plan element.
2. WAC 365-196-415(2)(a)(iv) recommends a jurisdiction “periodically” review and update its inventory, at least at every periodic comprehensive plan update.
3. WAC 365-196-415(2)(c)(ii) recommends a jurisdiction update its six-year financing plan at least biennially.
4. Skagit County’s most recent update of its Capital Facilities Plan was the 2015-2020 plan updated with the 2015 first quarter budget amendment.
5. The proposed Skagit County 2016-2021 Capital Facilities Plan improves upon the 2015-2020 plan with an updated inventory, needs assessment, and six-year financing plan, and by incorporating the most-recent draft of the Transportation Improvement Program.

6. The proposed Plan appears consistent with GMA requirements for capital facilities planning described in RCW 36.70A.070, the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan, and the Countywide Planning Policies, and supports the requirements of SCC Chapter 14.28, Concurrency.
7. RCW 36.81.121 requires a County to adopt a “comprehensive transportation program for the ensuing six calendar years” consistent with the comprehensive plan that “shall include any new or enhanced bicycle or pedestrian facilities identified pursuant to RCW 36.70A.070(6) or other applicable changes that promote nonmotorized transit.”
8. The Transportation Improvement Program is incorporated by reference into the Capital Facilities Plan to fulfill the requirement for the CFP to address transportation.
9. The proposed Plan includes the County’s best efforts to incorporate capital facilities information from special purpose districts throughout the County.
10. The role of the Planning Commission in reviewing the Capital Facilities Plan (and its Transportation Improvement Program component) is to help the county plan for capital facilities and public services to be provided to support development at the time development occurs.

Recommendation

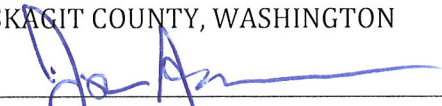
The Planning Commission recommends that the Board of County Commissioners **approve** the proposal with the following changes:

1. Incorporate the impact fee code changes included in the Supplemental Staff Report of October 13, 2015.

This recorded motion approved October 20, 2015:

Commission Vote	Support	Oppose	Absent	Abstain
Josh Axthelm, Chair	✓			
Keith Greenwood, Vice Chair			✓	
Amy Hughes	✓			
Annie Lohman	✓			
Kathy Mitchell	✓			
Kevin Meenaghan	✓			
Tammy Candler	✓			
Hollie Del Vecchio	✓			
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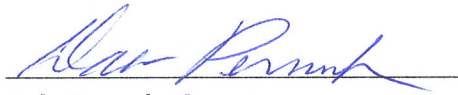
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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Josh Axthelm, Chair

10/20/2015

Date



Dale Pernula, Secretary

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