

Skagit County Planning Commission’s Recorded Motion Regarding the 2026-2031 Capital Facilities Plan and Transportation Improvement Program

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Public hearing body:	Skagit County Planning Commission
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Written comment deadline:	Friday, November 7, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.
PC deliberations:	Tuesday, November 18, 2025

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) recommends a jurisdiction “periodically” review and update its inventory, at least at every periodic comprehensive plan update, and updates its six-year financing plan at least biennially.
3. Skagit County’s most recent update of its Capital Facilities Plan was the 2025-2030 document adopted in 2024.
4. The proposed Skagit County Capital Facilities Plan improves upon the existing plan with an updated inventory, needs assessment, six-year financing plan, and by referencing the most-recent draft of the Transportation Improvement Program.
5. The County published a Notice of Availability, Public Comment, and SEPA Threshold Determination for the Capital Facilities Plan for public comment on October 16, 2025. A public notice was published in the Skagit Valley Herald on October 23, 2025.
6. Changes to the 2026-2031 Capital Facilities Plan were incorporated when requested by the district.

7. The role of the Planning Commission in reviewing the 2026-2031 Capital Facilities Plan is to help the county plan for capital facilities and public services to be provided to support development at the time development occurs.
8. Based on the projects, financing, and levels of service described in the Capital Facilities Plan, a reassessment of the land use element of the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan is not required.
9. The proposed 2026-2031 Capital Facilities Plan is consistent with GMA requirements for capital facilities planning described in RCW 36.70A.070, the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan, the Countywide Planning Policies, and supports the requirements of Skagit County Code Chapter 14.62, Concurrency.
10. The proposed amendments reflect local conditions and promote the general public health, safety, morals, and welfare.

Recommendation

The Planning Commission recommends that the Board of County Commissioners **approve** the Capital Facilities Plan as amended.

This recorded motion approved November 18, 2025:

<i>Commission Vote</i>	Support	Oppose	Absent	Abstain
Tim Raschko, Chair				
Tammy Candler, Vice Chair				
Angela Day				
Patsy Good				
Xuhua Mu				
Amy Hughes				
Jed Holmes				
Joe Woodmansee				
Kiera Wright				
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Tim Raschko, Chair

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Jack Moore, Planning Director

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