Skagit County Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Presentation/Work Session: Agritourism

November 24, 2020 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Please refer to transcript and video recording of Planning Commission meeting for in-depth information about these meeting minutes. Referenced documents, the full transcript, meeting agenda, and a video recording of this meeting can be viewed here:

https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningCommission/PCminutes.htm

Summary of Meeting

Roll Call

Chair Raschko began the meeting with a roll call.

Tim Raschko: Present Kathy Mitchell: Absent Mark Knutzen: Present Joseph Shea: Present Mark Lundsten: Present Amy Hughes: Present

Joe Woodmansee: Present Tammy Candler: Present Martha Rose: Present

Vice Chair Mitchell was absent, all other Commissioners present.

Meeting Minutes (11/10/20)

Chair Raschko introduced the meeting minutes from the last meeting (11/10/20) for approval. Commissioner Rose moved to approve meeting minutes and Commissioner Woodmansee seconded this motion. The Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the motion.

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BERK Consulting, Inc. has been contracted to work on Skagit County's agritourism project. BERK and Mr. Gill presented the project's timeline, goals, and initial planning stages. The Commissioners contributed ideas about agritourism and Skagit County. BERK answered questions about the project.

Director's Update

Mr. Hart provided information regarding large projects that the Planning Department is working on including: the Shoreline Master Program update, Agritourism, and Voluntary Stewardship Program goals. Mr. Hart presented new housing projects happening within the

introduced time for public comments to begin. There was no verbal testimony from the public and Staff did not receive any written comments.

Deliberations: Six-Year Capital Facilities Plan, 2020-2026

The Chair introduced the Staff's draft Findings of Fact and Reasons for Action regarding the Six-Year Capital Facilities Plan, 2020-2026 and read through the 11 items for Commissioners to comment or ask questions about. Following this, the Vice Chair Mitchell moved to accept the Six-Year Capital Facilities Plan, 2020-2026 as written. Commissioner Rose seconded this motion. The Commissioners voted unanimously to approve this motion.

Work Session: By-Laws

Bylaws Work Session has been postponed for a future time to be determined in early 2021. This motion was approved unanimously. Please see the Changes to the Agenda section.

Director's Update

Staff provided an information regarding the Shoreline Master Program (SMP), Agritourism project, and Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP). A member requested that background information on the SMP is sent to the entire Planning Commission, not just new members. Staff informed the Commission that formal presentations will be provided to them at the next two meetings. A member requested that the VSP mapping and monitoring report be shared when it was complete.

Planning Commission Announcements

There were no announcements from Planning Commission members.

Tirh Raschko, Planning Commission Chair

Hal Hart, Secretary

Date