

Skagit County Planning Commission
Deliberations: Annual Updates to the 2019 - 2024 Capital Facilities Plan and Transportation
Improvement Program
November 27, 2018 at 6PM

Planning

Commissioners: **Tim Raschko, Chair**
 Kathy Mitchell, Vice Chair
 Annie Lohman
 Martha Rose
 Hollie Del Vecchio

Staff: **Hal Hart, Planning, Director**
 Stacie Pratschner, Senior Planner

Tim Raschko: Gavel - Meeting Opened at 6:13 PM

Commissioners Reviewed Agenda - no amendments.
No public present; no public remarks.

Deliberations

1. Interlocal Anacortes & Skagit County. –Collection of Impact Fees
2. Guemes Island Ferry
3. Written Public Input
 - a. Josh Wilson & Farm to Market
 - b. Gripp Road & Prairie
 - c. Roundabout Hwy 20 & Campbell Lake
 - d. WSDOT & Samish Nation

Discussion

1. Fine by all (5)
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3. How to advance Public Comments to TIP?
 - a. Josh Wilson Road
 - i. Annie mentioned that anytime the County is looking at safety, the County should shine the “flashlight” and take a close look at it.
 - ii. Martha agreed with Annie’s remarks.
 - iii. Tim mentioned that it’s a logical procedure but has less to do with the TIP.
 - iv. Staff discussed that with any development adjacent to Grip Road, development is reviewed by the department for concurrency and the developer bears the costs of that safety improvement.
 - v. Holly brought up that the County needs to look at the cumulative impacts going on along that stretch of Grip Road.
 - vi. Kathy asked Holly what recommendation she is looking for.

- vii. Holly said the concern is that this improvement should be done in a coordinated way. The study of the cumulative impacts and the evaluation of proposed or planned development along the Grip Road should look at impacts on safety.
 - viii. Annie brought up that the County has a lot of similar concerns in the area. Annie stated that she was concerned that the roads were not built for this kind of traffic, traffic from heavy gravel trucks.
 - ix. Martha asked if the commissioners should make a recommendation to look at the cumulative needs for safety improvements.
 - x. Tim said he would like to name the projects in this area. The Department suggested language for a finding of fact.
 - xi. Annie said that we need to message to the public that we heard them.
 - xii. Holly said that our role is to be a conduit for this information.
 - xiii. Stacie discussed the previous years recorded motion contained 12 findings of fact that could also apply to this year's deliberations.
 - xiv. Kathy made a motion to recommend that the Board of County Commissioners approve this year's updates. Motion was seconded by Holly. Vote was unanimous.
- b. Department – The projects will be rolled into a TIP discussion before the Board.
 - c. Samish Indian Nation – WSDOT Campbell Lake Rd – Consider for next year's TIP.
 - d. Grip Road – Safety – Cumulative impacts of development(s) – assessment. Coordinated way rather than mitigating on a case by case basis, though concurrency (SCC 14.28) applies to developments.
 - e. Communicate safety improvements for what public mentioned.
 - i. Want to be a conduit for the public's concerns about County projects. The Planning Commission is not looking to micromanage Public Works.

Motion to Planning Commission recommend Board of County Commissioners
 Approve Proposal as presented
 5 in support, 4 absent (5-0-4-0).

Department Updates

1. Budget: Department has requested an additional Senior Water Resource Planner.
2. ECY is proposing updates to the Stormwater Management manual that would require more inspections by the County for stormwater management in UGA's.
3. Working to make sure builders know what is expected by the County.
4. Look at bylaws and bring back in the New Year. Review bylaws.
5. Commissioner comments - Martha/Tim – Professionals engaged in land disturbing activities may benefit from attending County-hosted trainings about code requirements.
6. No meeting on December 4.
7. Meeting on December 18.

Adjourned at 6:41 PM by Martha, seconded by Tim.