

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Planning Commission Regular Meeting

June 17, 2025

6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

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Summary of Meeting

Roll Call

Planning Commission:

Present: Tammy Candler (Vice Chair), Amy Hughes, Vincent Henley, Angela Day, Kiera Wright, Jed Holmes and Patsy Good.

Absent: Tim Raschko (Chair), Joe Woodmansee

Staff:

Robby Eckroth, Senior Planner
Andy Wargo, NR Senior Planner
Tara Satushek, Senior Planner

Consultants:

Dan Nickel, Facet
Clay White, Kimley-Horn (Virtual)

The Planning Commission Vice Chair Tammy Candler called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Vice Chair Candler asked if there was approval for May 20, 2025, minutes.

Commissioner Wright moved to approve the minutes.

Commissioner Holmes seconded the motion.

Vote: Support- 7, Oppose- 0, Abstain- 0, Absent- 2. The motion carried.

Deliberations on Updates to Critical Areas Ordinance

Vice Chair Candler asked that Planning and Development Services staff to provide a brief introduction of staff recommendations based on public comments [document](#) and public comment [summary matrix](#) of [public comments](#) provided during the public comment period. Staff and project consultant Dan Nickel addressed commission questions and comments as the recommendations were discussed individually.

Additional changes to the [staff recommended amendments](#) to the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) were proposed and documented in the Planning Commission's recorded motion and findings of fact.

Commissioner Day moved to recommend that the Board of County Commissioner approve the 2025 Critical Areas Ordinance Update with the changes identified in the recorded motion.

Commissioner Holmes seconded the motion.

Vote: Support- 7, Oppose- 0, Abstain- 0, Absent- 2. The motion carried.

Department Update

July 23rd is the discussion and possible action with the Board on adopting the comprehensive plan update and development regulations update. Next steps for the CAO is a Board work session on July 7th, there will be a public comment period starting that week, dates still being determined. July 28th will be a public hearing on the CAO and potential action by the Board on August 4th.

Planning Commissioner Comments and Announcements

Commissioners thanked staff for their work product, responsiveness to public comments, and patience as the Planning Commission took additional time to complete its review.

Adjourned at 8:30 PM

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