

CITY OF WHITE SALMON
Planning Commission Meeting - Wednesday, May 10, 2023

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commission Members:

Greg Hohensee, Chairman
Ross Henry, Chair Pro-Temp
Seth Gilchrist
Tom Stevenson (Arrived at 5:37 pm)
Michael Morneault (Absent)

Staff:

Jeff Broderick, City Land-Use Planner
Erika Castro Guzman, City Associate Planner

Planning Consultants:

Alex Capron, Consultant Planner

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

Chairman Greg Hohensee called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. A quorum of planning commissioner members was present. Four audience members attended in person and by teleconference.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no verbal or written public comment.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting Minutes – April 26, 2023 (Meeting)
2. Meeting Minutes – April 26, 2023 (Workshop)
3. Meeting Minutes – May 3, 2023

Moved by Greg Hohensee. Seconded by Tom Stevenson.

Motion to approve minutes of April 26, 2023 (Meeting), May 3, 2023, as written and approve minutes of April 26, 2023 (Workshop) as amended.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

Henry – Aye, Stevenson – Aye, Gilchrist – Aye, Hohensee – Aye.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Draft Shoreline Master Plan and Critical Area Ordinance

Chair Pro-Temp Ross Henry opened the public hearing at 5:41 pm.

Presentation

The Land-use Planner, Jeff Broderick, introduced Alex Capron from DCG/Watershed and stated that the purpose of this meeting was to review the proposed Shoreline Master Plan. The meeting's goal is to provide the background of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) update, including project history, and provide an update on upcoming steps and status for separate City-wide critical area work.

The Shoreline Master Plan primarily applies to lands within 200 feet of the Columbia River. The draft plan contains minor revisions to assure consistency with State law. The Department of Ecology must review the proposed amendments/edits before the city council public hearing.

Consultant Planner Alex Capron stated the project is preparing a comment response matrix based on two agencies' comments on the proposed Shoreline Master Program. The next step is to submit the matrix to the Department of Ecology for initial determination. In communication with the Department of Ecology, they do not anticipate any changes. Consultant Planner Capron refocused tonight's meeting to receive public testimony, close the public hearing, and request a recommendation to the City Council on the proposed draft. The project can move on for local adoption unless substantive changes are found.

Public Comment

Chair Pro-Temp Henry opened the public comment portion of the hearing at 5:47 pm.

There was no verbal or written public comment.

Chair Pro-Temp Henry closed the public comment portion of the hearing at 5:48 pm.

Discussion

There was no further discussion by the Planning Commission.

Motion

Moved by Greg Hohensee. Seconded by Tom Stevenson.

The Planning Commission recommends the Draft Shoreline Master Plan, as presented, to move forward to the City Council for further public comment. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

Further Discussion

Planner Jeff Broderick clarified for the Planning Commission that the City Council tentatively would hold their public hearing on June 21st, the second meeting for the proposed draft consideration.

Vote

Henry – Aye, Stevenson – Aye, Gilchrist – Aye, Hohensee – Aye.

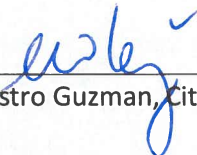
Chair Pro-Temp Henry closed the public hearing at 5:51 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 pm.



Greg Hohensee, Chairman



Erika Castro Guzman, City Associate Planner