



CITY OF WHITE SALMON
Planning Commission Meeting - Wednesday, October 28, 2020
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COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commission Members:

Ross Henry, Chairman
Greg Hohensee
Seth Gilchrist
Michael Morneault (Logged off at 5:36 p.m.)

Staff Present:

Erika Castro Guzman, City Associate Planner
Jan Brending, City Clerk-Treasurer

Absent:

Tom Stevenson

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

Ross Henry, Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. There was three audience members attending by teleconference. A quorum of planning commissioner members was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes of September 23, 2020.
Moved by Seth Gilchrist. Seconded by Greg Hohensee.
Discussion: None
Motion to approve meeting minutes, as is, of September 23, 2020. CARRIED 4–0.
2. Approval of the minutes of October 14, 2020.
Moved by Greg Hohensee. Seconded by Michael Morneault.
Discussion: None
Motion to approve meeting minutes, as is, of October 14, 2020. CARRIED 4–0.

ACTION ITEMS

3. **Proposed Amendments to WSMC 17.78 Wireless Telecommunication Towers and Facilities**
 - a. **Presentation**
Jan Brending, Clerk-Treasurer presented the proposed amendments to WSMC 17.78 Wireless Telecommunication Towers and Facilities for public hearing review and planning commission recommendation to the City Council for adoption.
 - b. **Public Hearing**
Seven public comments were read regarding the proposed amendments to WSMC 17.78 Wireless Telecommunication Towers and Facilities.
 - Kent and Barbara Bleakly, White Salmon, WA.
 - Brittany Bernard, White Salmon, WA.
 - Camille Bush, White Salmon, WA.
 - John Head, White Salmon, WA.
 - Kyla Rae, White Salmon, WA.
 - Marya Gendron, Husum, WA.
 - Nancy Tissing, White Salmon, WA.

c. **Discussion and Action**

The Planning Commission recommended the following changes:

- WSMC 17.78.015: A, “The general purpose of this chapter is to regulate the placement, construction, modification, and demolition of wireless telecommunications towers...”
- WSMC 17.78.015: B, Addition of “2. To permit the leasing of city owned property to wireless operations;” and renumber thereafter.
- WSMC 17.78.025: D-13, Second Sentence. “In order to provide information to its citizens the applicant shall be required to provide copies of...”
- WSMC 17.78.060: Label the two paragraphs A and B.
- WSMC 17.78.060: A, First Sentence. All landscaping on a parcel of land containing tower(s), antenna support structure(s), or telecommunication(s) facilities shall be in accordance with the applicable landscaping requirements in the zoning district where the tower, antenna support structure, and/or telecommunications facilities are located...”
- WSMC 17.78.065: A-6, Spell out what EIA means.
- WSMC 17.78.100: Move the definitions chapter section after the purpose chapter section.

Moved by Seth Gilchrist. Seconded by Greg Hohensee.

Discussion: Commissioner Hohensee stated that Commissioner Morneault commented about monochrome structures and guy wires, but he feels that they’re probably already addressed in the building codes and shouldn’t be addressed in this code. Chairman Henry said he agreed that the wireless tower code had enough in it to probably alleviate any concerns.

Motion to recommend to the City Council that the proposed amendments to WSMC 17.78 Wireless Telecommunications Towers and Facilities be adopted as amended.
CARRIED 3–0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Ross Henry, Chairman

Erika Castro Guzman, Associate Planner