



CITY OF WHITE SALMON
Planning Commission Special Meeting
Wednesday, March 31, 2021

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commission Members:

Greg Hohensee, Chairman
Tom Stevenson
Ross Henry
Michael Morneault

Staff:

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

Excused:

Seth Gilchrist

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

Chairman Greg Hohensee called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Two audience members attended by teleconference. A quorum of planning commissioner members was present.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Comprehensive Plan Update Workshop

a. History and Historic Preservation Element

Commissioners discussed the goals and policies and debated which should be kept. Commissioner Henry stated that a lot needs to be scrapped, and Commissioner Stevenson agreed.

- H&HP1: Goal to stay as written. Keep the first policy and delete the rest. Word change: maintain. Add a policy to create a table to identify locations of historical or cultural significance.
- H&HP2: Goal to stay as written. Delete all policies.
- H&HP3: Goal to stay as written. Make 3.2 policy into 3.1 and delete the rest.
- H&HPP4 should be H&HP 4: Delete the policies as they are too specific. Word change: instead of incorporate, say "consider." Commissioner Stevenson likes the 4.3, seeking grants, but deleting the particular programs. Make 4.3 policy into 4.1.
- H&HP 5: Goal 5 Update: Maintain and preserve public locations of historical and cultural significance that are listed on local and state historic registers. Add Goal 6: Encourage private owners with locations of historical and cultural significance in their maintenance and preservation efforts. Delete policies. Commissioner Stevenson thinks that it should be up to the property owner to add their property to the historical registration, but that the city could encourage a historic district. Chairman Hohensee believes landowners need to be the driving force on private properties.

Commissioners reviewed each history and historic preservation element comment and responded to its applicability to the comprehensive plan, policy, or table for a code interpretation conversation. Further discussion included wordsmithing and clarification.

b. **Transportation Element**

Commissioners reviewed each transportation element comment and responded to its applicability to the comprehensive plan, policy, or table for a code interpretation conversation. Further discussion included wordsmithing and staff clarification.

c. **Final Review of Elements**

Commissioners reviewed each comment from the previous round of public comment and responded to its applicability to the comprehensive plan, policy, or table for a code interpretation conversation. Further discussion included wordsmithing and staff clarification.

Staff will do the initial editing on tonight's consensus before the consultants provide language and clarification on several items discussed by the commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.



Greg Hohensee, Chairman

Erika Castro Guzman, Associate Planner