

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
PIERCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Wednesday, January 20, 2021, 6:30 P.M.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sharon Benson
Sharon Hanek
Julie Williams
Katheryn Jerkovich
Shawn Manley'
Jeff Brown
Kevin Rau

MEMBERS ABSENT

Clerk: Danica Williams, PPW-PALS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Copies of all staff reports and related documents under review were made available.

HEARING

Community Plan Amendment Application #939864, Applicant: Pierce County

Presenter: Jessica Nappi, Pierce County Long Range Planning

Staff presented on the Alderton-McMillin Community Plan: Correcting a technical oversight. Replacing "Reserve 5" with "Rural 5" descriptive text in the Alderton-McMillin adopted community plan per Ordinance No. 2015-40.

DISCUSSION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Community Plan Amendment Application #939874, Applicant: Pierce County

Presenter: Laura Stilwell, Pierce County Long Range Planning

Staff presented on the Graham Community Plan: Correcting a technical oversight. Replacing "Reserve 5" with "Rural 5" descriptive text in the Graham adopted community plan per Ordinance No. 2015-40.

DISCUSSION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Community Plan Amendment Application #940163, Applicant: Pierce County

Presenter: Jessica Nappi, Pierce County Long Range Planning

Gig Harbor Peninsula Community Plan: Updating the background information and maps for the Gig Harbor Peninsula Community Plan, coordinating land use and infrastructure planning in the UGA at Purdy with the City of Gig Harbor, and amendments suggested by the Land Use Advisory Commission including and not limited to tree preservation policies. This application is merged with Application #939868 to

correct a technical oversight by replacing "Reserve 5" with "Rural 5" descriptive text in the Gig Harbor Peninsula adopted community plan per Ordinance No. 2015-40.

DISCUSSION

- Comment about GH U-11.2 regarding water. "Timely and reasonable" need to be defined in some way. Staff responded that the Coordinated Water System Plan (CWSP) will be coming to the Planning Commission in March. This will allow for further discussion on how timely and reasonable is defined. .
- Staff addressed comments and questions from public comment.
 - Clarification on where policy GH U-11.2 applies which is in the UGA of the Gig Harbor Peninsula. Emphasize that is addressing new wells within the designated UGA. All of Key Peninsula is in the rural area.
 - Timely and reasonable service will be fully addressed when the CWSP is brought to the Planning Commission.
- Concerned about the term "discourage new wells." Staff responded that this was more of an implementing action and moved under the policy and the LUAC was more comfortable with the word "discourage" instead of "prohibit" as previously written.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public were present and provided comment on Community Plan Amendment Application No. 940163:

- Sami Jensen, Key Peninsula Advisory Commission (KPAC) member
- Carl de Simas, Senior Planner, City of Gig Harbor
- Mark Cockerill
- Pete Clement, Peninsula Advisory Commission (PAC) member

Community Plan Amendment Application #941881, Applicant: Pierce County Presenter: Erik Jaszewski, Pierce County Long Range Planning

Staff presented on the Browns Point-Dash Point Community Plan: Amendments to bring sign policies into consistency with the 2015 US Supreme Court Reed v. Town of Gilbert ruling that prohibits regulations that categorize non-commercial signs based on the type of information they convey (e.g. temporary, political and ideological) and then apply different standards to each category.

DISCUSSION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Community Plan Amendment Application #941882, Applicant: Pierce County Presenter: Erik Jaszewski, Pierce County Long Range Planning

Staff presented on the Key Peninsula Community Plan: Amendments to bring sign policies into consistency with the 2015 US Supreme Court Reed v. Town of Gilbert ruling that prohibits regulations that categorize noncommercial signs based on the type of information they convey (e.g. temporary, political and ideological) and then apply different standards to each category.

DISCUSSION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OTHER BUSINESS

Review of upcoming regular and special meetings

Discussion on use of bookmarks to navigate through PDF document

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm