

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**  
**PIERCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**  
Tuesday, February 2, 2021, 9:30 A.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 6:36 pm. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Copies of all staff reports and related documents under review were made available.

**HEARING**

**Text Amendment Application #939858, Applicant: Pierce County**

**Presenter: Jessica Gwilt, Pierce County Long Range Planning**

Staff presented on text amendments to meet PSRC's requirement for jurisdictions to adopt "center" plans for regional growth centers and Manufacturing/Industrial Center.

**DISCUSSION**

- Question on limiting commercial and what type of commercial would be allowed  
Staff wanted to be clear that the County is limiting it, but that regulation as of now are not going to be changed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public were present and provided comment on Text Amendment Application No. 939858:

- Jim Halmo

**Text Amendment Application #939860, Applicant: Pierce County**

**Presenter: Jessica Nappi, Pierce County Long Range Planning**

Staff presented on text amendments to bring land use policies into consistency with the GMA goals and requirements to ensure land use compatibility through coordination with the military base commander (per RCW 36.70A.530).

**DISCUSSION**

- Staff response to Public Comment, staff will check if the Base Commander was notified.
- Question on vicinity and if there is a measurement since it is broad subjective language  
Staff explained the GMA revised this and made it more flexible.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public were present and provided comment on Text Amendment Application No. 939860:

- Jim Halmo

#### **Text Amendment Application #940158, Applicant: Pierce County Jennifer Lambrick, Pierce County Long Range Planning**

Staff presented on text amendments to include information on PSRC VISION 2050 and multicounty planning policies related to climate change that need to be addressed in the next GMA comprehensive plan periodic update.

#### **DISCUSSION**

- Discussion ensued about more specific measurement tools and incorporating a specific goal instead of a percentage decrease since Pierce County is at low numbers.
- Discussion on how these policies set framework to start having conversations regarding climate change.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public were present and provided comment on Text Amendment Application No. 940158:

- Jim Halmo

#### **Text Amendment Application #940161, Applicant: Pierce County Presenter: Jessica Nappi, Pierce County Long Range Planning**

Staff presented on text amendments to provide guidelines and review criteria for the redesignation of property as well as allow for the redesignation of single parcel or single ownership in appropriate circumstances such as public parks, schools, and other public institutions, or when contiguous with an existing land use designation.

#### **DISCUSSION**

None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public were present and provided comment on Text Amendment Application No. 940161:

- Jim Halmo

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.