



**Planning Commission Meeting
October 18, 2022 - 7:00 PM
City Hall Council Chambers
MINUTES**

I. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. PUBLIC PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

The City of Auburn Planning Commission Meeting was held in person and virtually.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Judi Roland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street.

A. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Commissioners present: Chair Judi Roland, Vice Chair Phillip Stephens, Hanan Amer, Julie Berry, Joan Mason, Dimitri Moutzouris, and Kent Sprague.

Staff members present: Planning Services Manager Jeff Dixon, Senior Planner Josh Steiner, Planner Nicole Benert, Senior Planner Alexandra Teague, Planner II Alyssa Tatro, Senior City Staff Attorney Douglas Ruth, City Clerk Shawn Campbell, and Deputy City Clerk Rebecca Wood-Pollock.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Roland led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment from the audience on any proposal for action by the Commission. If the comment is related to an action subsequently listed here as a public hearing, the comment should be provided at the time of the public hearing.

There was no public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 7, 2022 Minutes from the Regular Planning Commission Meeting

Commissioner Stephens moved and Commissioner Sprague

seconded to approve the September 7, 2022 minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

V. OTHER BUSINESS

A. 2022 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Review of proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan as part of the 2022 Annual Update process.

Senior Planner Steiner presented the 2022 Comprehensive Plan Annual Amendments to the Commission, to include Auburn, Dieringer, Federal Way, and Kent School District Capital Facilities Plan updates; School Impact Fees; and the City of Auburn Capital Facilities Plan update.

Planner Benert discussed the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element Text Amendment to include reinstating the P-1 Public Use Zoning District; policy text updates; different designations within the Land Use Element; renaming the Institutional Land Use designation to Public/Quasi-Public and changes to designation criteria; proposed text amendments to the Institutional and Public Use zoning codes; map amendments to the Comprehensive Land Use Map; and re-zoning several public schools to a P-1 designation.

Senior Planner Steiner discussed the next steps in the process and informed the Commission that the school districts are scheduled to attend the next Planning Commission meeting to answer any questions.

The Commission discussed the differences between Institutional and Public Use zoning codes, current zoning codes for public schools, jurisdiction boundaries between Auburn and Pierce County, zoning for City parks, fee increases, School Districts' attendance at the next meeting, Capital Facilities Plan increases, the structure on the Northwest corner of 12th Street and Auburn Way South, and items considered in the Capital Facilities Plan, and school construction and its impacts on the School Impact Fees.

VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

A. Update on the Community Development Services Activities

Planning Services Manager Dixon provided the Planning Commission with an update on recently purchased property by King County to provide transitional and supportive housing; he explained that there is a Good Neighbor agreement between businesses in the area, the City of Auburn, and King County. The County has scheduled a community engagement meeting and

quarterly neighborhood meetings. He also shared an update on the Bridges Annexation and an update on the Auburn Avenue Theater.

The next Planning Commission Meeting will be held on November 8th, 2022.

The Commission discussed property purchased by King County, the population of the Bridges community; the Auburn Avenue Theater; construction of an industrial building; the jurisdiction of the right of way in front of Mary Olsen Farm; policing and clean-up efforts; and construction and funding for improvements on Stewart Road.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

APPROVED this 8th day of November, 2022.


JUDI ROLAND, CHAIR


Rebecca Wood-Pollock, Deputy City Clerk

The City of Auburn Planning Commission is a seven member advisory body that provides recommendations to the Auburn City Council on the preparation of and amendments to land use plans and related codes such as zoning. Planning Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Actions taken by the Planning Commission, other than approvals or amendments to the Planning Commission Rules of Procedure, are not final decisions; they are in the form of recommendations to the city council which must ultimately make the final decision.