

**CITY OF FIFE
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING**

Fife City Hall

October 1, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chair Brown.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Brown, Commissioners Waldner, Lemoncelli, Bond, Braden (arrived at 7:15) and Edwards

Absent: Commissioner Fagundes

Staff: Director David Osaki, Associate Planner Chris Pasinetti, Senior Administrative Assistant Katie Bolam

Public: Shawn Hoey, Master Builders Association

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 10, 2012

Motion (Bond/Edwards) to accept the minutes of September 10, 2012. **Passed 5/0.** (Commissioner Braden had not yet arrived.)

4. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

None.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

a. Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Chair Brown opened the Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Planner Pasinetti explained the Comprehensive Plan Amendment process, including the three routine items for 2012 and the annual open window in November for privately initiated amendments (there were none).

Shawn Hoey with the Master Builders Association addressed the Commission, drawing attention to his comment letter submitted today (copies provided at meeting). He said that MBA recommends keeping school impact fees at or below the Pierce County's adopted level.

Chair Brown closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

6. ACTION ITEMS

a. Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Commissioners discussed the history of school impact fees in Fife and clarified the position of Pierce County.

Motion (Edwards/Waldner) to recommend the findings of fact contained in the staff report and the 2012 Comprehensive Plan Amendments as shown in Attachments A through D to the City Council, with the recommended provision that Puyallup School District's school impact fee be reduced to match Fife's asking.

Some additional discussion ensued.

Vote – motion passed 6/0.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Medical Marijuana

Director Osaki first thanked the Planning Commission for their action on the Comprehensive Plan Amendments, adding that a major update to the Comprehensive Plan is required by the end of 2014. He reported that the annual time period for the private sector to initiate amendments will open November 1 and will stay open into March, rather than closing after only one month as in years past.

Director Osaki reported that he is putting the topic of Medical Marijuana on the minds of Commissioners, expecting much to be in the news related to the coming election on Initiative 502 that can serve as background for decisions that will be made for Fife in the next year.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Osaki reported that the stakeholder committee meeting on the South Campus Master Plan was a good one; Commissioners Lemoncelli and Fagundes are participating on that committee.

Kelsey Lane housing development plans to build out in the next 12-18 months, and Valley Haven also in the next 6-12 months.

KPG and Seth Harry, consultants for the City Center Visioning project, will be meeting with staff later this month while Mr. Harry is in town for another project. This may possibly produce some additional City Center related discussion (without Seth Harry in attendance) for the Planning Commission at the November 5, 2012 meeting.

The Harvest Festival is October 6.

The meetings in November and December will cover more on medical marijuana, phase 2 of the sign code, discussion regarding liquor stores, and city center visioning work. Next year's work will include the new transportation plan and city center code work, to include a subarea plan and policy development.

9. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

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Chair, Jeff Brown Date

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Recording Secretary, Katie Bolam Date

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