

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

Fife City Hall
5411 23rd Street East

May 5, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Edwards.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Edwards, Vice-Chair Lemoncelli, Commissioners Waldner, Braden, Roscoe, Wayman

Absent: Commissioner Fagundes

Staff Present: Public Works Director Russ Blount, Community Development Director Dave Osaki, Administrative Assistant Michelle Merlino, Administrative Assistant Melissa Pattee, Assistant City Attorney Jennifer Combs, Associate Planner Chris Pasinetti

3. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. April 7, 2014

COMMISSIONER WALDNER MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Braden, to approve the minutes of April 7, 2014 minutes as presented. **Motion Passed 6-0.**

5. PUBLIC HEARING

a. Comprehensive Sign Design Plan – BMW Motorcycles

Chris Pasinetti presented information about the comprehensive sign design application/request to the Commission. The Comprehensive Sign Design Plan request would allow approximately 22 square feet of additional signage for a sign that would identify a brand of motorcycle (Ducati) that would be sold by the business. Chair Edwards asked if there was public comment; there was no public comment.

COMMISSIONER BRADEN MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Roscoe, to approve the Comprehensive Sign Design Plan as recommend by staff.

Vice-Chair Lemoncelli asked if the sign would be illuminated. Planner Pasinetti said he did not believe it would be. Lemoncelli also asked if the proposed sign would be additional to the current signs - Pasinetti responded yes. Planner Pasinetti also confirmed that BMW would have a total of three (3) signs. Commissioner Braden mentioned that the signs would not be visible to any residents, all commercial.

The motion passed 6-0.

6. Public Meeting

a. Marijuana land use regulations – Code Amendment

Director Osaki presented a PowerPoint regarding Marijuana Land Use Regulations summarizing the draft ordinance before the planning commission for consideration at this evening's meeting.

Director Osaki mentioned that the meeting tonight is a follow up to the last meeting in April. He mentioned that the most significant difference between this ordinance tonight and the ordinance considered by the planning commission in April is that medical marijuana collective gardens are proposed to be prohibited in the ordinance under consideration tonight.

Commissioner Braden referenced a map prepared by staff that showed where a marijuana retail business could be located. Commissioner Braden mentioned that it looked like it would only be short segments along Pacific Highway. Director Osaki said that it would have to be a lot that had frontage on Pacific Highway. Director Osaki also mentioned that a retail marijuana business would be subject to the 2,500 foot separation requirement, as the ordinance is currently drafted. Commissioner Braden speculated that the most that Fife could have would be 3-4 outlets.

Director Osaki said that commission is in the position to make a motion to Fife City Council.

Chair Edwards mentioned that this item was labeled as a public meeting and asked for public testimony.

Public Comment:

Mr. Ted Wetherbee: Spoke about his current business plans for a location in Fife. He thanked the Fife Planning Commission for facing I-502 and their work with Marijuana Land Use Regulations. He looks forward doing business in Fife.

Chair Edwards closed public portion of meeting. Chair Edwards asked for a motion.

COMMISSIONER ROSCOE MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Braden, to recommend the ordinance to City Council.

The motion passed 5- 1, (Commissioner Wayman - No)

7. OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

a. Six-Year 2015-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Works Director Blount made a presentation regarding TIP and the Fife transportation projects included in that program.

COMMISSONER ROSCOE MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Waldner to forward the 2015-2020 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the City Council as written.

Discussion ensued about the project listings. Commissioner Braden asked the status of Project No. 26 – a new bridge across the Puyallup River near 70th. Commissioner Braden asked if there was anything the Planning Commission might do to emphasize to Pierce County the need for this project to get completed.

Director Blount responded that one approach might be to raise the project to a higher position in the TIP.

COMMISIONER BRADEN MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Roscoe, to amend the main motion by moving Project 26 (the new 70th Avenue Bridge across the Puyallup River) to Project 16, and then moving Project 16 down to Project 17 and then every project thing thereafter sliding down one spot.

The motion to amend passed 5-1 (Edwards –No)

Chair Edwards restated the main motion, as amended,

The main motion passed 6-0.

b. Gambling premises

Director Osaki presented on information regarding the gambling premises code amendment that the Planning Commission had worked on and made a recommendation to the City Council earlier this year.

The City Council extended the moratorium on gambling premises and is asking the Planning Commission to review gambling premises, specifically whether gambling premises would be appropriate if a gambling premise were an accessory use to a larger integrated development. As an example, Director Osaki presented information about a hotel project in the City of Des Moines that proposes to have a gambling premise within the hotel. Director Osaki asked the Commission to consider the idea for discussion at the Planning Commission meeting next month.

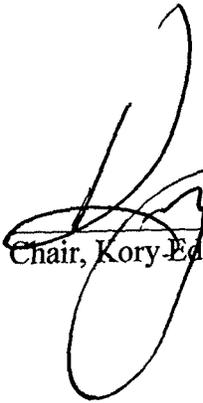
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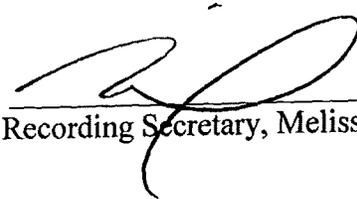
Director Osaki presented the Director's Report. He thanked the members of the Planning Commission for their work on Marijuana Land Use Regulations.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Edwards adjourned the meeting at 8:50pm

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Chair, Kory Edwards 6/10/14
Date


Recording Secretary, Melissa Pattee 6/10/14
Date