



Community Development Department

## Planning Commission Minutes

January 4, 2012 Regular Scheduled Meeting

APPROVED

City of Bonney Lake Council Chambers

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 P.M.

### **Planning Commission Present**

Grant Sulham, **Chair**

L. Winona Jacobsen, **Vice-Chair**

David Eck

Brandon Frederick

Richards Rawlings

Brad Doll (absent)

Vacant

### **City Staff Present**

Heather Stinson, Planning Manager

Debbie McDonald, Commission Clerk

A poll determined that a majority of Commissioners would be available for the next regular scheduled meeting on January 18, 2012.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RAWLINGS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ECK TO EXCUSE COMMISSIONER DOLL FROM BEING ABSENT FROM THE MEETING.**

**MOTION APPROVED 4-0**

### **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RAWLINGS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FREDERICK TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 7, 2011 MEETING.**

**MOTION APPROVED 4-0**

### **II. PUBLIC HEARING:**

*Lighting Code*

Ms. Stinson presented a power point on the Lighting Code.

Chair Sulham opened the Public Hearing for comments.

Shawn Hoey 1120 Pacific Ave. Tacoma: Mr. Hoey is with Master Builders Association. He appreciates the revised version of the Lighting Code including some of the suggestions he brought up at the last Planning Commission meeting. Is still interested in allowing for other design options to be considered for approval by the Community Development Director to approve such plans. Technology changes and designs might come up that haven't been thought of at this time. Would also like the Commission to consider allowing an exception for residential lighting.

Commissioner Rawlings asked if the Lighting Code is something important to Mr. Hoey?

Mr. Hoey responded that it is hard to build in Bonney Lake and by adding more requirements it makes it hard to want to build here. He will be speaking to City Council at their February 14, 2012 meeting.

#### *Civil Code*

Shawn Hoey 1120 Pacific Ave. Tacoma: Mr. Hoey is with Master Builders Association. Having to go from septic to sewer is going to make a big difference in cost. Why is there still a \$500.00 fee on top of the cost to install sewer?

Ms. Stinson will check into the fees. The new fees are to cover a fee that has not been covered before.

Commissioner Frederick asked why the fees are double outside city limits.

Ms. Stinson will also look into finding out the reasoning behind those fees.

Chair Sulham closed the Public Hearings at 5:53.

### **III. NEW BUSINESS:**

#### *Election of Officers*

Chair Sulham opened the floor for Planning Commission Chair nominations.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER ECK AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JACOBSEN NOMINATED CURRENT CHAIR SULHAM FOR THE POSITION OF CHAIR FOR THE 2012 YEAR.**

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Chair Sulham opened the floor for Planning Commission Vice-Chair nominations.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER ECK AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FREDERICK NOMINATED COMMISSIONER JACOBSEN FOR THE POSITION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE 2012 YEAR.**

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**IV. OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

*Landscape Ordinance*

Ms. Stinson gave a power point presentation on different type of landscaping walls.

Chair Sulham asked about who is responsible for graffiti clean up on the wall.

Ms. Stinson responded the owner would be responsible for the clean up. By having vegetation between a wall and a street that should eliminate graffiti.

Vice-Chair Jacobsen mentioned that the City of Ferndale plan gives a credit for preserving current vegetation.

Ms. Stinson asked what other Commissioners thought of allowing for that option.

Vice-Chair Jacobsen stated something should be added that gives a builder credit for keeping native vegetation.

Commissioner Eck likes the idea for allowing flexibility.

Commissioner Rawlings likes the requirement for vegetation between a wall and street. Also asked when an ordinance is being updated if it can please have the date of when it was last updated put on the bottom of the page

Ms. Stinson will add the date to her updated versions.

*Civil Code:*

Ms. Stinson asked Commissioners if they had any further input.

Commissioners had no further comments.

*Lighting*

Ms. Stinson asked if the Commissioners would like to exempt residential.

Vice-Chair Jacobsen thought should leave as is so there is something to fall back on if there is a problem in residential.

Commissioner Eck thought residential should be exempt.

Commissioner Rawlings thinks it should be left in at this time and can be revisited at a later date.

**V. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

**Correspondence** – NONE

**Staff Comments** – Mr. Vodopich mentioned the City has appealed the Orton Junction ruling and that that petition of appeal will be available for review.

**Commissioner Comments** –

**VI. ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER ECK AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR JACOBSEN TO ADJOURN.**

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The meeting ended at 6:27 P.M.

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Debbie McDonald, Planning Commission Clerk