

REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 7, 2022 – 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Zoom and In-Person Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Nathan Findling called the Planning Commission Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Present were Commissioners Nathan Findling, Carolee North (Zoom), Judith Parker (Zoom), and James Buker (Zoom) as well as City Manager Juliet Hyams, Planner Scott Fregonese (Zoom), AA2 Kylie Poklikuha and Carl Kopacek (Zoom). Roy Hamilton was excused.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Approval of Minutes: November 1, 2021
- B. Approval of Minutes: November 8, 2021
- C. Approval of Minutes: January 3, 2022

Motion to approve the consent calendar by Cm North. Second Cm Parker. All for the vote, 4-0.

III. PUBLIC HEARING: None

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

V. PRESENTATIONS: None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE: None

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Comprehensive Plan:

- 1. Step 1 with Scott Fregonese: community vision w/ scope of working and funding (grants)

Planner Fregonese discussed the process for updating the City of Garibaldi Comprehensive Plan. He stressed the need for a vision process, identifying what is missing, and setting new goals before moving on to strategy. Fregonese discussed the need to find funding as updating a comp plan is a very expensive and lengthy process, with completion by approximately 2023. Cm Parker recommended seeking community input and having community meetings to collect fresh new ideas, thoughts, and goals. The commission discussed ways to gather community input and the need to seek funding with grants to pay for the extensive comp plan process.

Chair Findling motioned to hold a work session February 23, 2022 to discuss grant opportunities to assist with the cost of updating the Comprehensive Plan. Second Cm Parker. All for the vote, 3-0. Cm Buker abstained. **Motion passed.**

2. Oceanside's petition to be a city: takeaways from Interim Vice Chair Parker

Cm Parker provided an overview of Oceanside's incorporation hearing, which was denied at the time. She thought it was a very strict community plan and had a lot of community involvement and support. Planner Fregonese added that Oceanside is an unincorporated area so it falls under the Tillamook County Comp Plan. Cm Parker noted Oceanside's plan had a lot of interesting information and design standards that could be looked at for Garibaldi's comp plan update. Fregonese recommended looking at the City of Portland for their codes specific to dark skies.

B. Sidewalk & Trails:

1. Salmonberry Trail meeting, January 28th; notes by City Manager Juliet Hyams

City Manager Hyams provided an overview on the meeting, noting that the Salmonberry Trail has no money for the Garibaldi stretch, they don't have trail standards yet, and the state will not fund it, nor will Parks & Rec. Chair Findling noted there was some local support and momentum so people are looking at ways to fund it but it will be a long while.

2. Salmonberry Trail meeting, January 28th: reactions by IVC Parker

Cm Parker provided her view of the meeting and the Salmonberry Trail plan, noting that there had been a lot of plans and a lot of meetings in the past 10 years but the plan is not realistic, will cost millions of dollars and will take 20+ years for development. Chair Findling recommended just focusing on the Garibaldi segment.

3. ODOT PAC Meeting #1: recap from Chair Findley

Chair Findling provided a report of his meeting with ODOT. He noted that it's not far behind but ODOT is understaffed. He noted that ODOT wants to put a real sidewalk between 2nd and 1st Street and add a painted bike lane. Commission discussed the expense of underground utilities, having to remove some street parking spots, and the possible need to put in more grant matching funds. City Manager Hyams will try to contact the former Tillamook City Manager to see how he funded an ODOT project under Urban Renewal somehow. Planner Fregonese suggested contacting the Gearheart City Administration as they just completed their ODOT project.

C. Commissioners: One goal each for 2022

Cm North – Goal: Focus on the comp plan. Get it going!
Cm Parker – Goal: Look at many comp plans so we do not reinvent the wheel.
Cm Buker – Abstained.
Chair Findling – Goal: Get really good at writing comp plans. No more excuses.

D. Upcoming conditional use hearing: date set

Commission discussed the upcoming conditional use hearing scheduled for March 7, 2022. Planner Fregonese noted that the counter copy of the staff report would be available to the public starting February 28, 2022.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion: "Summit for Tillamook County Land Use Planners" by IVC Parker

Cm Parker reported that fellow cities are all dealing with the same issues land use issues Garibaldi is and that it would be helpful for city planning commissioners to possibly get together on neutral ground to share successes and failures so commissioners can benefit from other's experiences and advice. She noted that she is willing to spearhead it down the road. Chair Findling was supportive as long as it would not be against any rules, that he is unaware of. Planner Fregonese noted that DLCD has a quarterly meeting for coastal city planners but not planning commission members, but they do offer trainings. Cm Parker would like to start at the local level and will contact Sarah with the County.

IX. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Parker – Good meeting!

Commissioners North – None.

Commissioners Buker – Abstained.

Chair Findling – Provided an update on the city tourism website, noted the business directly directory needs to be fixed and get up to date. He might work Cooper and Val with the Retail Association to get that up and going.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Findling adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Nathan Findling, Planning Commission Chair

ATTEST:

Juliet Hyams, City Manager