

City of Buckley

Planning Commission Minutes

March 4, 2019

Chairperson McPhail called meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following members were present: Harris, Garland and Rose. Griffin was absent and excused. Also in attendance were City Planner Kathy James, Associate Planner Leticia Wallgren and Planning Assistant Evan Lewis.

Design Ordinance

James gave a history of the Design Review starting with the Binding Site Plan. She then went through the document that the University of Washington Department of Urban Design and Planning put together in 2013 and the design standards that the City put together just for the 410 District and the Historical District that was presented to the Council. James stated she asked Associate Planner Leticia Wallgren and Planning Assistant Evan Lewis to look at the design standards and let the Commission know what works, what doesn't work and what they would like to see changed. Wallgren stated looking at the un-adopted version of the guidelines they found it to be fairly comprehensive and don't think they would recommend much to be added or taken away. Largely what they noticed is that it needs some tweaking for fluidity. She asked Lewis to look through it because he is a fresh set of eyes. Lewis went through the entire un-adopted standards and has some suggestions for readability and is willing, if the Commission would like, to rearrange it and create a draft the may be more fluid. Lewis gave the Commission an overview of what he found and some of the changes he would recommend, nothing major. They did find some code anomalies as well if they want to discuss this now or wait until later. Lewis and Wallgren went through those anomalies with the Commission. The Commission agreed to have Lewis rearrange the document and bring it back to the next Commission meeting.

2019 General Use Table

James stated she noticed there are two listings for adult family homes, which we will correct to keep in residential uses and get rid of the second one. The other issue was for schools based on some comments for the City Administrator Schmidt. The Commission discussed the issues and made the corrections or left them the same as discussion. There was one issue they would like to get an example from the City Administrator on before they make a decision. There was a discussion about schools and the definitions; she has contacted the school district to get more information from them.

New/Old Business

Next Comprehensive Plan ideas and instructions

Nothing was discussed.

The next meeting will be March 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM. This will be the Public Hearing for the Shoreline Plan so we need to make sure we have everyone here.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.



Mark McPhail, Chairperson