



## MOSES LAKE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2021

Commissioners Present (Virtually): Nathan Nofziger (Chair), Charles Hepburn (Vice Chair), Gary Mann, Anne Henning, Eric Skaug,

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present: Community Development Director Melissa Bethel, Planning Manager Vivian Ramsey, Planning Permit Technician Michelene Torrey

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **Motion:**

Minutes for January meeting were motioned to approval by Gary Mann and seconded by Charles Hepburn.

### Item # 1 (Draft Neighborhood Meeting Ordinance)

Melissa Bethel drafted and supplied a sample Neighborhood Meeting Ordinance that would require certain projects to hold a neighborhood meeting for an upcoming project. There was discussion about the locations of the meetings as well as the cost.

Public Comment: Danielle Escamilla (Western Pacific Engineering)

### Item #2 Homeless Sleep Shelter Presentation- Taylor Burton:

Housing and Grants Coordinator Taylor Burton presented a slideshow on the Homeless Sleep Center that is currently up and running within the City of Moses Lake. His presentation touched on the use of the facility as well as the current homeless

population using the facilities nightly. There was discussion regarding the private sector and how the code is written currently.

Item #3 Code Amendment- Vivian Ramsey- PUBLIC HEARING

Planning Manager Vivian Ramsey presented a slideshow on the Code Amendment for MLMC 18.30.030 to change the Commercial 2 to add Sleep Shelters in lodging and assembly.

Motion to Open the Public Hearing- Nathan Nofziger

No comment was made from the public

Charles Hepburn moved to Close the Public Hearing, seconded by Gary Mann.

commission requested adding the WAC 51-16-030

(<https://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=51-16-030>) Exemptions for indigent housing guidelines to the footnote that was proposed for code amendment.

*Action Taken: Ms. Henning moved to Approve and Recommend to City Council MLMC Amendment with updated WAC 51.16.030 for sleep shelters- Seconded by Mr. Hepburn Approved 4-1.*

Planning Commission Questions and Comments:

Director Melissa Bethel thanks the commission for their comments on the neighborhood meeting and told the commission about the short course planning training in the coming months. She talked briefly about the comprehensive plan and the timeline for completion.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM by Chair Nofziger.

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Nathan Nofziger Chair,