

MOSES LAKE PLANNING COMMISSION
September 12, 2013

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Commissioners Present: Todd Voth, Todd Lengenfelder, Vicki Heimark, Charles Hepburn, David Eck, Rick Penhallurick, Kevin Starcher, and Nathan Nofziger

Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec					
Hotvedt Eck	P	P	G														
Starcher	P	A	C	A	P	P	P	A	C	P	A	P	A	E	E	P	P
Lengenfelder	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Schild	E	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	C	A	P	A	E	P	P	A	P
Heimark	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Penhallurick	P	E	C	P	P	P	P	P	C	E	A	P	P	E	A	P	P
Hepburn	P	E	C	E	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Nofziger	P	P	C	E	A	P	P	P	C	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
Voth	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	

P - Present E = Excused A = Absent C = Canceled

Staff Present: Gilbert Alvarado, Anne Henning, Billie Jo Muñoz, Daniel Leavitt, and Sue Mahaney

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the August 29 meeting were presented.

Action Taken: Ms. Heimark moved that the Consent Agenda be approved, seconded by Mr. Schild, and passed unanimously.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS - PUBLIC HEARING

The Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA) requires that most cities and counties adopt and maintain a Comprehensive Plan which addresses certain mandated elements. The Plan may be amended no more than once per year. The City of Moses Lake adopted a GMA-compliant Comprehensive Plan in 2001 and has amended it periodically. Attached are the proposed amendments for 2013, consisting of a new Vision Statement and minor updates to the Transportation Element.

The public hearing was opened. There were no comments.

Action Taken: Mr. Hepburn moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Mr. Nofziger, and passed unanimously.

Vision Statement

There was some discussion on the language in the Vision Statement under the lake subheading with the suggestion that the Commission keep this Vision Statement in mind during further discussion of the Shoreline Master Plan.

Action Taken: Ms. Heimark moved that it be recommended to the Council that the Vision Statement be approved, seconded by Mr. Hepburn, and passed with Mr. Lengenfelder opposed.

Transportation Element

Minor updates were made to the Transportation Element.

Action Taken: Mr. Hepburn moved that it be recommended to the City Council that the Transportation Element be adopted, seconded by Mr. Starcher, and passed with Mr. Penhallurick opposed.

MARIJUANA RETAIL SALES.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, stated that staff is discussing regulations for retail sales of marijuana. He pointed out that only 7 licenses will be issued for all of Grant County for retail sales and Moses Lake has been assigned 2, Ephrata and Quincy will be assigned 1 each, and there will be 3 at large. Retail sales locations are limited since they cannot be within 1,000 feet of a school, day care, park, etc. He mentioned that the licenses will be issued by the state liquor control board.

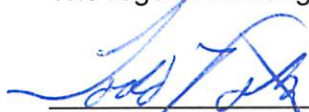
SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, stated that October 3 at 7 p.m. will be the open house on the Shoreline Master Program.

Mr. Voth reminded the Commissioners of the meeting with the consultant prior to the open house and requested that they be prepared with questions for the consultant.

There was some discussion and the Commission felt that the consultant, a representative from the Department of Ecology, City Council members, and the state legislators should be invited to the open house.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Todd Voth, Planning Commission Chairman