



Planning Commission Regular Meeting July 25, 2024

Meeting Minutes

1) [CALL TO ORDER/LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT/AGENDA REVIEW](#)

Vice Chair Sarah Blossom called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM and read the Land Acknowledgement. Commissioner Benjamin Deines noted a Conflict of Interest with the Wing Point Golf & Country Club Public Participation Meeting and said he would recuse himself from that portion of the meeting. Present at the meeting were Commissioners Blossom, Schaab, Preudhomme, Garcia, and Deines. Excused were Commissioners Birtley and Sullivan. Staff present were Planning Manager - HB Harper, and City Planner - Auburn Lovett. City Council Liaison - Ashley Mathews joined the meeting in progress, via Zoom.

2) [PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES](#)

2a. Minutes

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MOTION: I move to approve the June 27, 2024, meeting minutes with the correction to my surname on page 2, item 4.

Garcia / Deines - The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

3) [PUBLIC COMMENT](#)

3a. Public Comment

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Mr. Mike Kushler - Speaking about crematoria - spoke against it.

Ms. Lisa Macchio - speaking about crematoria, expressed concerns about regulations and the code.

Mr. Raphael Escandon - encourages the Planning Commission to evaluate the need for crematoria services.

4) [PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING](#)

Wing Point Golf & Country Club Public Participation Meeting

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Vice-Chair Sarah Blossom opened the Public Participation Meeting (PPM), introduced Auburn Lovett, City Planner for the project, who provided a brief description of the project and introduced Charlie Wenzlau – Project Architect, who provided a detailed presentation of the project.

Public Comment on the Wing Point Golf & Country Club:

Mr. Steve Williams - expressed concerns about excessive noise from events hosted at the club.

Mr. Jeff D'Amico, General Manager - provided further details / enhancements to the project.

Mr. Robert Egan - expressed concerns re: noise from the driving range.

Ms. Lisa Macchio - offered comments that would make the facility more environmentally friendly.

Discussion Only.

Vice Chair Sarah Blossom closed the PPM at 6:44 PM.

5) **NEW BUSINESS**

[5a. Discuss SB 5290 Code Amendments](#)

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Emily Romanenko with OMW Law, presented information on SB5290.

Discussion Only.

5b. [Discuss Crematoria Policy Options and Set Public Hearing.](#)

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Additional Public Comment Received:

Mr. Mike Bonoff - recommended rejecting the project as it's incompatible with the area and would further pollute the air.

Mr. Tim Dinan, owner of the Cook Family Funeral Home - spoke in favor of the project.

Planning Manager, HB Harper, presented information and a timeline on the issue.

MOTION: I move to schedule a public hearing on August 22, 2024, or the next available agenda, on an ordinance implementing the staff recommendation to prohibit crematoria on Bainbridge Island.

Garcia / Preudhomme: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

MOTION: I move to request that staff prepare information for the upcoming public hearing on crematoria, to research with Puget Sound air quality regulatory body and with the City Attorney, if that's appropriate, as to whether we can create a regulation specific to point-source pollution, rather than addressing it through the use.

Deines / Schaab: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

6) **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

[Motion to move the Public Hearing for PSE's Legislative Review of Land Use Regulations application.](#)

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MOTION: I motion to move the Public Hearing for PSE's Legislative Review of Land Use Regulations application and proposed Ordinance 2024-04, that was previously scheduled for the August 8th meeting, to the August 22, 2024, Planning Commission meeting, or the next available agenda thereafter.

Garcia / Schaab: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

7) **PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Planning Manager – HB Harper provided information on upcoming events for the Planning Commission.

8) **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

No discussion.

9) **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice-Chair Blossom adjourned the meeting at 8:24 PM.

_____/s/
Sarah Blossom, Acting Chair

_____/s/
Renee Argetsinger, Clerk to the Planning Commission

