



City of Oregon City

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Planning Commission

Monday, January 14, 2019

7:00 PM

Commission Chambers

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Present: 7 - Tom Geil, Robert Mahoney, Vern Johnson, Mike Mitchell, Patti Gage, Greg Stoll and Dirk Schlagenhauser

Staffers: 2 - Laura Terway and Carrie Richter

2. Vote for Planning Commission Chair and Vice Chair

A motion was made by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to nominate Mike Mitchell for Chair for 2019.

A motion was made by Commissioner Geil, seconded by Commissioner Schlagenhauser, to nominate Tom Geil for Chair for 2019.

The Commission discussed the candidates.

The majority of the votes were for Commissioner Mitchell to be Chair.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to nominate Patti Gage for Vice Chair for 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

4. General Business

4a. Prioritize Planning Commission Requests to the City Commission for the 2019-2021 Biennium

Laura Terway, Community Development Director, discussed the list of Planning Commission requests for projects in the 2019-2021 Biennium. These would need to be prioritized for the upcoming City Commission goal setting meeting. The recommended prioritization from staff was to proceed with the request to update the Comprehensive Plan and to review the potential implementation of a Construction Excise Tax. Staff also recommended updating the Urban Growth Management Agreement which would be outside of the City Commission goals and to consider a review of tree regulations in a future biennium.

Denyse McGriff, Paul Espe, and Damon Mabee, residents of Oregon City and former

Planning Commissioners, gave insight into and made suggestions for what to include in the projects list for the City Commission.

There was consensus that updating the Comprehensive Plan was the top priority and that short term rentals and rezoning manufactured home parks would also be top priorities but should be pulled out of that process and worked on separately because of the length of time that a Comprehensive Plan update would take. They agreed to remove the Construction Excise Tax as a Planning Commission recommendation. They also agreed that the Urban Growth Management Agreement was outside of the City Commission goals, but was something that should be looked at in earnest. There was also consensus to move the tree regulations to the 2019-2021 biennium list.

The priority order for the 2019-2021 biennium was:

- 1. update the Comprehensive Plan*
- 2. short term rentals*
- 3. tree regulations*
- 4. rezoning manufactured home parks*

4b. Legal Training with Carrie Richter, Assistant City Attorney

Carrie Richter, City Attorney, provided legal training on Oregon land use, the Comprehensive Plan and City Code, public hearings, and Planning Commission decisions.

There was discussion regarding livability as a criterion and the procedures that had been presented.

5. Communications

There was discussion regarding the next steps for the proposed code amendments that had been forwarded to the City Commission.

6. Adjournment

Chair Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 10:16 PM.