



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of Planning Commission, Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting

May 9, 2024

Time of Meeting

5:45 PM

Place of Meeting

**Council Chambers
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926
And remotely via Zoom**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

Harrell called to order at 5:45 p.m.

Present: Ed Harrell, Fred Padjen, Geraldine O'Mahony, Sigrid Davison (arrived at 5:48 p.m.), Michael Buehn

Absent: Sathy Rajendran (excused), George Bottcher

Also Present: Jeremy Johnston-Planning Manager; Kathy Boots-Planning Technician; David Miller-City Council Liaison (arrived 5:50 p.m.)

Padjen motioned to excuse the absence of Commissioner Rajendran. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner O'Mahony motioned to approve the agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Buehn motioned to approve the minutes from 4-11-24. Motion passed 5-0.

4. New Business

4.A Bill 1337 Overview-Accessory Dwelling Units

Staff member Johnston reviewed House Bill 1337. The change to allow up to two Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) on one parcel along with an increase in size was discussed. Critical area buffers and open space will still apply. The definition of principal unit will be interpreted by the City Attorney. Setbacks for ADUs will be changed to become less restrictive. Parking will not be required for ADUs. The proposed code changes will be sent to the Department of Commerce to see if they are acceptable prior to the Commission reviewing them. These changes will be consistent with the Housing Action Plan in the Comprehensive Plan.

5. Unfinished Business

None

6. Citizen Comment

None

7. Staff Update/Discussion Items

Commissioner Padjen's term is completed, and he will not be reapplying for another term. This is his last meeting. Commissioner O'Mahony's term is completed. She will need to reapply for a new term if she is interested in serving another term.

Catherine lot update. Public Works has entered into a contract. The work will start tomorrow.

The 1st & Pine property has received two proposals. There will be a special meeting for the proposals to be presented to the Affordable Housing Commission.

The Calaway properties were annexed into the City.

8. Commission Representative Update

The Commission discussed the commercial projects on Dolarway.

The sleep center open house was discussed.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.