



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes Planning Commission, Regular Meeting

May 11, 2023

5:45 PM

Council Conference Rm 501 North Anderson Street

Ellensburg, WA 98926

And remotely via Zoom

1. Call to Order

Chair Padjen called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Roll Call Present In-Person: George Bottcher, Ed Harrel, Fred Padjen, Delano Palmer, Sathy Rajendran

Roll Call Present-Via Zoom: Sigrid Davison

Absent: Geraldine O'Mahony

Also Present: Jeremy Johnston, Community Development Planning Manager, Kathy Boots, Planning Technician

Also, Present Via Zoom: Rich Elliott

3. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Harrel moved to Approve the Agenda. **Motion Passed 6-0.**

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. Minutes of the March 9, 2023, Planning Commission Meeting

Commissioner Rajendran made a motion to approve the minutes from March 9, 2023. **Motion Passed 6-0.**

5. New Business

A. Staff Introduction

B. OPMA Refresher

Johnston reviewed the OPMA criteria which is mandatory.

6. Old Business

None

7. Citizen Comment

None

8. Staff update/Discussion Items

A. HB 1110

House Bill 1110 does not apply to the City of Ellensburg due to its population.

A. Housing Action Plan Implementation

Johnston stated that the \$75,000 grant from the Department of Commerce will not be obtained. There is not enough time to meet the requirements of the deliverables. He would like to apply in 2023 if the grant becomes available. Johnston stated that the Affordable Housing Commission will look for innovative approaches, ordinances, or incentives to increase affordable housing. Those items will then be presented to the Planning Commission for refinement. He would like the Affordable Housing Commission to work in conjunction with the Planning Commission. Developers and the public would give input. Elliott stated there needs to be more flexibility by having multi-family in all zones as it may eventually become.

9. Commission Representative Update

None

10. Adjournment

Chairman Padjen adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Next meeting June 8, 2023, 5:45 p.m. Palmer will be absent at the next meeting.