

EPRC 7/11/24

Opened meeting 3:04 – this is a make-up meeting from the July 4 scheduled meeting.

In attendance: Jason Bradshaw, Mia Kartiganer, April Duke, Sophia Cassam, Cindy Wolf; Public – Sadie Bailey, Charles Toxey

No agenda modification or additions

Approval of June meeting minutes, Mia and April abstained from voting as they were not at the meeting. Jason approved.

Public Comment: Sadie Bailey: concerned about tree removal on Victory Hill impacting raptors like the owls. She is hearing less owls. Kudos for lighting ordinance – wants to make sure there are time limits for compliance. Concerned about lack of shade trees – walking on Mt Baker Rd very hot.

Planning commission questions about draft lighting ordinance discussion:

Charles spoke with a dark sky expert-

Lighting section D – max lighting per acre

Can you say per acre, divisible per the parcel? Ratio of lumens per parcel size? An amount of light for an amount of space?

Sophia- what is the appropriate amount of light/lumens per parcel size?

Charles – the important point is to aim the light downward and the correct color temperature - more important than the amount of lumens

Lopez has been living with this language for years and haven't have a problem with the planning commission but it's a new commission and we are bigger and have more lighting

Sophia – date is Jan 1, 2030, giving folks time to catch up with compliance

Jason – Planning Commission should probably come up with language for exceptions for community events – not a permit but permission. This would allow for a situation-by-situation basis decision.

Charles-Per parcel for max lumens or per acre whichever is less?

Jason will volunteer to attend the next Planning Commission meeting July 19 – hopefully with Charles to discuss the lighting issue.

Designation of Vice Chair and Secretary for EPRC: Mia Kartiganer was nominated and elected for Vice Chair and April Duke for secretary

Cindy Wolf – council updates- council made a decision to move last Tuesday to different land use, laid off 5 employees, per union rules they can get another job in the county and have severance packages – county is adopting a different model of permitting to try and move it forward – need to fill 4 positions – Planning director, planning tech, code enforcement, permitting

Sophia and Colin Maycock still part of land use to provide continuity

New county manager starting on Monday – Jessica Hudson

(Cindy just landed in Tampa, FL for county meeting on land use, ground water, US geological service, etc.)

Permits –

Haven – 3 units – house already – comment (Charles), concerned about back-out parking into public roads, already 1 home on the property, 4 minimum

Jason – a rule or a recommendation? Charles – previous EPRC asked for public works to codify but it hasn't been

Another is for residential use driveways to be less than 25' and this one breaks that rule (part of code???) The right of way is narrow on Westervelt – they don't have a sidewalk so double the reason not to have back out parking is that folks will be walking in the street.

Worob SFR- seems fine, up Enchanted Forest, outer limits of Eastsound planning area – no comments

Fletcher SFR- Victory Hill – reformatted for setbacks from the road, some of the parcels have sold to different owners. 2.9 acres originally. Boundary line modifications so it now has 4 owners.

EWUA Clark well – Jason – landscaping considered and planned for to screen equipment? (North of medical clinic – across the street, next to Wild Rose, OPAL property,) this facility is very important for the community so it can divest from Perdue Lake as a water source.

Sophia – look at performance standards for water treatment plants

Mia storm water ramifications?? The airport has flooding issues.

Peach Pit remodel – future teen center over the convenience store. Question about the logo/sign size? Eastsound different than the rest of the county 18:30:660

Smith Res addition – off of Shady Lane, no comment

Committee Member Questions –none

Agenda items for next month's meeting?

Cindy – invitation to new county manager Jessica Hudson

Next meeting August 1, 2024, 3 pm

Adjourned at 4:17