

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2021 5:00 PM VIA PHONE CONFERENCE

OPENING

The meeting began at 5:04 PM and Croci recorded the meeting minutes.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Board:	Kirk Esmond Charlie Cruickshank Maureen Lewison Paul Kinser	Paul Nelson Matthew Walgren

Staff: Director of Operations, Steve Croci  
Perteet Inc, Christina Wollman

PUBLIC HEARING – SHORELINE MASTER PLAN

A public hearing started at 5:05 PM. Wollman explained this was to be a joint meeting with Washington Department of Ecology. Ecology was not able to prepare and announce for this hearing and will not be in attendance. The rescheduled joint hearing will be March 1. Ecology did provide comments regarding docks and some basic changes to the critical areas that Wollman incorporated into the SMP. With no questions or comments from public the hearing was closed at 5:10 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the November 4, December 7, 2020 and the January 4, 2021 meetings were motioned by Esmond, seconded by Cruickshank and approved by all 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE Nothing new to report.

ANNOUNCEMENT & INFORMATION Paul Kinser was approved by City Council to be a member of the Planning Commission. Welcome Paul!

Some development may be happening on the Schmittan Orchard off Old Monitor Road next to Treetop and Bethlehem Construction (light industrial), in the orchard off Olive Street and near Kennedy Reservoir (single family residential), and on Pioneer Avenue near Cashmere Care Center (multifamily). The Chelan Douglas Port District also reported they have had a lot of interest in their property recently.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) Shoreline Master Plan – Joint hearing schedule for March 1 with Ecology.
- 2) Joint PC and Council meeting- Topics to discuss with City Council include Short term rentals and development standards for residential roads.
- 3) Accessory Dwelling Units – Esmond motioned, Maureen seconded and all approved (4-0) submitting ADU code changes to city council for consideration.

- 4) Short Term Rental – Lots of discussion around short term rentals (STR). PC would like to present the STR code as currently proposed at the joint meeting and get input from City Council. Extremely limited public input on the proposed STR code has been received. The proposed code only allows STR in business zones, not in residential zones. The PC sees some potential value in allowing STR in residential areas only if additional requirements can be met and enforced. Potential requirements include owner or designee being on premises during rental, quiet hours, business license which could be revoked if requirements are violated, adequate parking, occupancy limits to number of people per STR, limits to number of days rented per year, and/or controlling the total number of STR in residential areas. Exemptions with restrictions should be considered for existing STR in residential zones (grandfather clause). The goal is to protect affordable housing, maintain the existing “neighborhood feel” throughout Cashmere, allow for reasonable income-generating opportunities for property owners, and provide opportunity for visitors to experience Cashmere.
- 5) New members – The PC currently has one vacant position. PC members are encouraged to spread the word of the vacancy. Interested people should contact the Mayor.
- 6) Topics for next meeting – Shoreline Master Plan Public Hearing, addressing topics from joint hearing, short term rentals.

Meeting adjourned by 6:34 PM.