



## City of Cashmere

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CASHMERE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2022  
5:00 P.M.

### **AGENDA**

THE PUBLIC CAN ATTEND IN PERSON, CALL-IN OR LOG-IN TO ZOOM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING. PLEASE CALL-IN OR LOGIN 5 MINUTES PRIOR TO MEETING.

**To Join the Meeting Go To: <https://zoom.us>**  
**Meeting ID: 882 719 9871 Passcode: 788276**  
**Audio Only: PH# 1-(253)-215-8782**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Approval of June 6, 2022 meetings minutes.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION:**

Public Hearing - Kennedy Road vacation  
PROS plan public involvement

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

1. PROS Plan – Actions
2. Lagoon – Economic Development Plan
3. Topics for next meeting

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL, PLEASE BE RECOGNIZED BY THE MAYOR AND STATE YOUR NAME WHEN YOU BEGIN YOUR COMMENTS  
**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodations provided upon request (48-hour notice required)**

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY JUNE 6, 2022 5:00 PM

OPENING

The meeting began at 5:05 PM and Croci recorded the meeting minutes.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Board:	Paul Kinser - Chair Kirk Esmond – Vice Chair Matthew Walgren Zak Steigmeyer	Maureen Lewison Paul Nelson
Staff:	Director of Operations, Steve Croci Perteet Inc, Christina Wollman Mayor, Jim Fletcher (portion of meeting)	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Minutes from May 2, 2022 were approved (4-0).

CORRESPONDENCE Nothing new to report.

ANNOUNCEMENT & INFORMATION

Public Hearing - Kennedy Road vacation

The information for the property vacation on Kennedy Road was presented. A substantial amount of time was used to discuss the request. Ideas discussed included the City's property would likely never be used for a roadway but could be used as a pathway to connect the probable future neighborhoods that will be built; it does not cost the City to preserve this land for future beneficial use; if the City needed the property in the future it would be more difficult or costly to purchase or obtain; the current Land Use Comprehensive Plan supports connecting the community with trails or pathways; the current draft of the PROS Plan identifies connecting the community with pathways or trails as a primary goal; and, the strong support from community input to support trails and pathways. The PC felt strongly enough and voted (4-0) to provide written comment to not vacate the property.

PROS plan public involvement

Encourage others to be involved with the PROS plan development and review or implementing some of the actions identified in the plan.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan – Objectives

Vision and mission statements, and numerous objectives supporting the goals were approved (4-0) and are attached at the end of the minutes.

2. Lagoon – Economic Development Plan

Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority considers natural areas and recreational uses as viable

economic development options. Little else has been done to move this task forward.

3. Topics for next meeting  
PROS plan actions, Lagoon economic development

## VISION

To be a leading community with accessible high quality parks and recreation facilities that promote a healthy community, protect our natural environment, and enhance our quality of life.

## MISSION

The City of Cashmere is committed to:

- Protecting and enhancing the natural beauty of Cashmere through development of a vibrant system of parks, open spaces, and trails.
- Providing quality parks and trails that are attractive, clean, and safe.
- Meeting the needs of the community.
- Being a steward to park lands and protecting natural resources.

## GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

**Goal 1. Well-stewarded Parks: Develop, manage, maintain, and revitalize parks, facilities, and natural resources to support safe, attractive, equitable, and engaging recreation and green space.**

- Objective 1.1. Ensure sufficient investment in parks and recreation facilities.
  - 1.1.1. Find new funding sources.
  - 1.1.2. Track and evaluate park and facility age and lifecycles and incorporate this information into annual budgeting and workplans to prioritize repair and replacement needs.
  - 1.1.3. Evaluate each park site to continually update long-term maintenance needs and include capital improvements for each site that will enhance the use and value to the community and the neighborhood of the park.
  - 1.1.4. Create efficiencies and reduce maintenance costs by using new technology, contracted services, and volunteers where appropriate.
- Objective 1.2. Implement long-term climate adaptation and resilience strategies.
- Objective 1.3. Encourage community involvement in park design and programming decisions.

- Objective 1.4. Promote volunteerism to enhance community ownership and stewardship of the Cashmere park system.
- Objective 1.5. Develop a system of parks and usable open spaces that support passive and active recreation, protects unique features, and links city neighborhoods.
- Objective 1.6. Improve and leverage the potential of existing facilities.
- Objective 1.7. Ensure the balanced and equitable distribution of parks and facilities that serve City residents, including residents in areas annexed into the City in the future, and seek to fill gaps in parks, trees, and trails in underserved areas.
- Objective 1.8. Make all parks, including playgrounds and restrooms, ADA accessible and inclusive. Provide parks and facilities that accommodate multigenerational groups and people with mobility issues, sight, and hearing impairments, allergies, and other special needs.
- Objective 1.9. Update the PROS Plan every six years to identify and document evolving park and recreation needs and maintain grant eligibility.

**Goal 2. Vibrant Riverfront: Enhance parks, recreation amenities, and trails along the Wenatchee River to create a welcoming riverfront system that supports local use and recreation tourism.**

- Objective 2.1. Develop the riverfront as a recreational amenity that protects habitat, increases site use, minimizes safety concerns, and takes flooding into consideration.
- Objective 2.2. Improve river access.
  - 2.2.1. Add additional hand launch at lagoon site.
  - 2.2.2. Add river play areas.
- Objective 2.3. Develop and improve riverfront sites to support an interconnected trail experience.
  - 2.3.1. Construct trail bridge at lagoons.
- Objective 2.4. Stimulate economic development and tourism through riverfront natural resource preservation and enhancement.
- Objective 2.5. Collaborate with public and private stakeholders to coordinate related local and regional projects.

**Goal 3. Outdoor Recreation: Provide unique and inclusive amenities that attract residents and visitors to Cashmere’s outdoor opportunities, activities, and events.**

Objective 3.1. Strategically leverage resources through collaborative planning, volunteerism, and partnerships to support recreation, tourism, natural resource protection, and economic impacts.

Objective 3.2. Consider adding or enhancing “challenge” activities such as outdoor fitness equipment, disc golf, climbing walls, bike pump track, bike skills courses, and other challenge features.

3.2.1. Pave pump track

Objective 3.3. Renovate and develop parks and facilities to support recreational activities, programs, and opportunities that support both local use and tourism.

3.3.1. Add pickleball courts to parks.

Objective 3.4. Actively promote the riverfront parks as an important part of Cashmere’s economic development strategy to draw visitors to the waterfront.

Objective 3.5. Consider low-cost water play options in parks, such as hand pumps, playable fountains, splash pad, and water “squirts” that are turned on and off.

**Goal 4. Connectivity: Provide an interconnected network of multi-use trails, walkways, and bikeways connecting city and regional destinations.**

Objective 4.1. Expand the trail network in Cashmere, facilitating in-town connectivity and ties to regional trail networks.

Objective 4.2. Develop various trail length, types, and challenge levels to diversify trail-related recreation options.

Objective 4.3. Provide trailheads and trail support amenities and facilities to facilitate trail use.

4.3.1. Provide maps, apps, and route guides.

Objective 4.4. Collaborate with others to provide trail programs and services that encourage safe pedestrian and bicycle use.

Objective 4.5. Establish a city trails committee to develop an active transportation plan that identifies community needs and future trail locations.