

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. KICK-OFF FOR SHORELINE MASTER PLAN UPDATE WORKGROUPS
3. NEW/OLD BUSINESS
4. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Michael Lewars called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. The following Planning Commissioners were in attendance, constituting a quorum: Michael Lewars, Charles Averill, Don Fisher, Maradel Gale, Martha Droge, and Martin Minkoff.

Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner seconded a motion to approve the minutes for September 9, 2010, as written.

Planning Director Cook told the Commission that the City Council has directed staff to work on an ordinance to strengthen the vegetation management regulations. An Ad Hoc Committee is being formed to work on that ordinance and the City Council has asked that two Planning Commissioners volunteer to serve on that Ad Hoc Committee. Chair Lewars noted that staff has also asked for volunteers to serve as liaisons to the Shoreline Master Program workgroups.

Commissioners Averill and Minkoff may be interested in the tree ordinance ad hoc committee, depending on the timeline and meeting times. Chair Lewars asked staff to send an email about both the tree ordinance ad hoc committee and the liaison positions to all Planning Commissioners.

2. KICK-OFF FOR SHORELINE MASTER PLAN UPDATE WORKGROUPS [6:35:27 PM](#)

- INTRODUCTION

Planning Manager Libby Hudson explained that the Planning Commission is very involved in the update. The workgroups will be focusing on specific topics within the Shoreline Master Program and reporting on their work to the Planning Commission. Tonight's meeting will be focused on roles and responsibilities and how science will be used.

Ryan Ericson reviewed the timeline for the update. The workgroups will review goals and policies in October and November. After a December break, the workgroups will start on regulations. The workgroups' final recommendations will be presented to the Planning Commission at end of February. The Planning Commission will work on their recommendations from March through June and the City Council will review those recommendations from July through November with the final product to be completed in December.

The City has hired a consultant to provide technical assistance, particularly with the cumulative impact analysis, restoration plan, and in determining whether or not the proposed regulations will achieve no net loss.

Gabe Snedeker, of AHBL, introduced himself and Julia Walton and spoke briefly about the facilitators' role in the workgroup process. Gabe will facilitate the vegetation and modifications workgroups and Julia will facilitate the nonconforming development workgroup.

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- **ROLE OF SCIENCE IN POLICY DECISIONS**

Gabe introduced Barbara Nightingale from the Dept. of Ecology who gave a presentation on science and its role in the Shoreline Master Plan update.

- **WORKGROUP BREAKOUT**

The workgroups broke out to discuss roles and responsibilities at 7:31 p.m. and the tape was turned off. Environmental Technical Advisory Committee Chair David Sales briefly explained how ETAC will be working with the workgroups.

The meeting resumed at 8:47 p.m.

- **FINAL COMMENTS**

The facilitators reported that they had heard the following:

- Clarify the precautionary principle and how it should be applied.
- Use Doodle to schedule the meetings.
- Correct missing and/or improperly copied sections of the notebooks.
- Outline how the workgroup recommendations will be drafted and approved.
- Provide a summary of the RCW's, guidelines, and the existing Shoreline Master Program.
- Explain how the regulations are enforced.
- Transmit meeting materials as early as possible so that members have time to read the materials and prepare.

Gabe clarified that the alternates serve when the at-large members are absent. Advocacy groups appoint their own alternates. He also reminded the workgroup members that the participation agreement serves as the ticket into the next meeting.

3. NEW/OLD BUSINESS

There was no new or old business to discuss.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.