

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Shannon Reynolds called the special meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Hunter T. George, Karen Mauer-Smith, Nikki Bufford, and Jim Andrews were present. Planning Commissioners Kathy L. McVay, Eric Lane, Sarah Hamel, Ben Ferguson, and Shirley Schultz were present.

INTRODUCTIONS

Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners introduced themselves.

2024 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Community Development Director Newman provided an overview of the Comprehensive Plan and its intent.

Councilmember Wittner entered the meeting via Zoom at 6:10 P.M.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROGRESS MEMO AND BUDGET UPDATE

Community Development Director Newman reported on the completed and remaining tasks, and provided a budget breakdown. There were discussions on mileage reimbursement, project management, the public outreach survey, and consultant contractual language regarding deliverables and reimbursements.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – SSHA3P REVIEW COMMENTS

Community Development Director Newman reported on the South Sound Housing Affordability Partners' comment responses to the Draft Comprehensive Plan. There was a brief discussion on Fircrest-specific feedback, countywide planning policies and Fircrest tailored assistance from SSHAP.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – DFW REVIEW COMMENTS

Community Development Director Newman reported on the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife comment responses to the Draft Comprehensive Plan. There was a brief discussion on the Leach Creek critical area.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC LAUNCH MEMO AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Community Development Director Newman reported on public outreach strategies for the public launch of the draft Comprehensive Plan. There was a brief discussion on direct mailers and their cost, and document availability at the Community Center.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SEPA CHECKLIST AND DNS WITH FAQ

Community Development Director Newman reported on the SEPA environment checklist and its public comment period. There was a brief discussion on the public comment process.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN USER GUIDE

Community Development Director Newman reported on the supplemental user guide to the City's Comprehensive Plan survey and feedback incorporation into the Comprehensive Plan. There was a brief discussion on collaboration with other jurisdictions with their Comprehensive Plan development.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ONLINE AND PAPER SURVEYS

Community Development Director Newman provided a brief overview of the survey and community involvement. There was a brief discussion on providing diverse language accessibility survey options, such as Spanish and Vietnamese.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2023-2024 WORK TIMELINES

Community Development Director Newman reported on the 2024 Comprehensive Plan timeline.

WHITTIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATE

Community Development Director Newman reported on the Tacoma Public Schools Whittier Elementary School project discussion notes including project management, public engagement, and the design-build process.

WASHINGTON EV CHARGING GRANT

Community Development Director Newman reported that the City was awarded the Washington Electric Vehicle Charging grant for level 2 charging stations. There was a brief discussion on the cost of the chargers, location, and maintenance agreement.

There was a brief discussion on the upcoming Tacoma Public School discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Viafore MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 P.M., seconded by Councilmember Bufford.

The Motion Carried (7-0).



Shannon Reynolds, Mayor



Arlette Burkhart, Acting City Clerk