

# CITY OF FIRCREST PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MINUTES

June 04, 2024 6:00 PM Fircrest City Hall 115 Ramsdell Street

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Schultz called the Fircrest Planning Commission regular meeting to order at 6:01pm.

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 3. ROLL CALL

Planning Commissioners Present: Chair Schultz, Commissioner McVay, Vice Chair Ferguson, Commissioner Hamel, Commissioner Lane.

City Staff Present: Community Development Director Newman.

# 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda for the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Regular Planning Commission Meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Lane Second: Commissioner Hamel Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None

No comments or questions related to the agenda.

# 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No minutes provided for approval.

## 6. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

# 7. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

#### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

## 9. ROUNDTABLE UPDATES/STAFF UPDATES

## A. Update on the Recruitment Process

The Assistant Planner/Permit Coordinator position has been filed by Natasha Kolostyak, who will begin on June 17<sup>th</sup>. The Planning Commission minutes backlog will be completed by this new staff member.

#### 10. NEW BUSINESS

## A. Planning Commission Vacancy Updates

Commissioner Hamel's appointment ends June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Staff and the Commission thanked Commissioner Hamel for her 6 years of service to the City. Recruitment for a new Commissioner ended May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Two applicants will be interviewed on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

# B. Middle Housing Study Session Reminder

Director Newman reminded the Commission that the Middle Housing study Session will be on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. This session will include a presentation from the city's consultant Kimley-Horn.

# C. Four Corners Thriving Communities Webpage

Director Newman discussed the coordination of the Four Corners Thriving Communities Program as well as the multi-modal transportation options being explored. A public survey is open through June 2024 which will allow the public to provide feedback on what they would like to see in the four-corners area. Vice Chair Ferguson voiced concerns about balancing tree code and development.

# D. Middle Housing Tree Code and Off-Street Parking Discussion

Director Newman discussed new law SSB.60.15 regarding off-street parking and tree retention. The Commission discussed how this new law should be applied in Fircrest.

## E. Pierce County CLIHP Award Letter and Staff Workgroup Discussion

Director Newman updated the Planning Commission on the progress of the grant, public engagement, and consultant work.

## F. 2024 Draft Comprehensive Plan Public Engagement Survey Results Presentation

The public survey results and public feedback were presented to the Commission by Director Newman. The Commission went over the results and discussed how to proceed. Comments back to the public have not been sent yet. Vice Chair Ferguson suggested following up with survey respondents. Director Newman stated that the comments will be sent out to all who participated in the survey.

#### 11. FUTURE BUSINESS

# A. June 17th, 2024 - City Council Study Session for Middle Housing Presentation

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn the June 4th, 2024, Regular Planning Commission meeting at 6:50 pm.

Motion: Commissioner Hamel Vote: Unanimous Second: Commissioner Ferguson Abstaining: None

Shirley Schult

Chair, Fircrest Planning Commission

Mark Newman

Community Development Director