

CITY OF BLAINE
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
Thursday, May 9, 2019
7:00 PM
Calvin Armerding - Chair

A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 P.M.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Calvin Armerding, John LeBrun, Richard May, Tom Hanrahan, Steve Hrutfiord, Kevin Owens, and Sue Sturgill.

EXCUSED:

STAFF: Stacie Pratschner, Community Development Director
Alex Wenger, Community Planner II

C. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Chairman Armerding asks for public comments; no audience present.

D. WORKSHOP

The Department discussed the status of the City's Shoreline Master Program (SMP) updates, including the regulatory background of the SMP; the difference between the Comprehensive and Periodic updates; the draft Plan approved via Resolution by City Council in 2016; and the legislative process to open up the Plan to public comment and ultimately adopt any changes.

The Planning Commission requested clarification on which amendments were statutorily required and which changes could be subject to local modification. CDS proposed an additional workshop to present the draft, and hosting an Open House event for the community prior to holding a Public Hearing with the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission requested that CDS prepare a map showing the proposed Critical Areas Buffers within shoreline jurisdiction. The Department agreed to put a link on the Shoreline Master Plan project website to the table of required changes provided by the Department of Ecology.

Motion introduced by Commissioner May to not take the state option of labeling properties conforming that were previously defined as legally nonconforming, seconded by Commissioner Sturgill; (4-3) in favor.

E. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Canceling May 23, 2019 Planning Commission meeting.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

G. ADJOURNMENT, 8:36 PM

Calvin Armerding, Chair

Stacie Pratschner, Secretary to the
Planning Commission

Planning Commission minutes of May 9, 2019 to be approved at the
June 13, 2019 Planning Commission meeting.