

Planning Commission Minutes – August 15th, 2023

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Springfield Planning Commission

Minutes for Tuesday, August 15th, 2023

Regular Session 7:00 pm

Meeting held in the Library Meeting Room (City Hall) and via Zoom

Planning Commissioners Present: Chair Matt Salazar, Vice Chair Isaac Rhoads-Dey, Andrew Buck, Seth Thompson, and Steven Schmunk

Excused Absence: Alan Stout

Staff: Sandy Belson, Comprehensive Planning Manager; Sarah Weaver, Community Development Administrative Assistant; Kristina Kraaz, Assistant City Attorney

Chair Salazar called the Regular Session of the Planning Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLIAGENCE – Led by Chair Salazar.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- July 18th, 2023 – Approved
- August 1st, 2023 – Approved with corrections

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Raymond Sheppard, 1728 Minda Drive, Eugene, OR 97402: introduced himself to the Commissioners as a representative of the Carpenters Union, expressing interest in development activities in Springfield.

REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTION

Commissioner Rhoads-Dey reported on City Council's June 5th meeting.

Commissioner Buck: reported on the City Council's June 12th meeting.

BUSINESS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION – None

BUSINESS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Sarah Weaver / Staff: reported on the Planning Commission vacancy's recruitment process. Applications for boards, committees, and commissions will be accepted until 5 pm on September 1st. She sent out emails to community partners and city agencies, which included the press release issued by the City. She reported that they received a robust response from

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our community partners who have been posting the press release in their newsletters and announcement boards.

Sandy Belson / Staff: added that there are several boards, committees and commissions recruiting and one planning commission vacancy.

Chair Salazar: also requested that the Commissioners spread the word to their colleagues and community partners to reach the widest audience possible.

Sandy Belson / Staff: informed the Commissioners that the Planning Commission will meet next on September 5th at 7 pm for a Joint Public Hearing with Lane County on the Stormwater Post-Construction Requirements Update. There are currently no other meetings scheduled in September for the Planning Commission.

There is an opportunity for more joint Planning Commission meetings. The Planning Department has been working on updating the Eugene/ Springfield Public Facilities and Services Plan, which would require all three jurisdictions to adopt it. This Joint Session is tentatively planned for the beginning of December. This Joint Session could also include information gathered by Lane County on the Goshen / Landfill Metro Plan Amendment. It is possible that we will meet before then on the Capital Improvement Program, which is updated every two years. There could also be a meeting held on Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities in the Fall.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:17 PM