
PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES



Wednesday, March 20, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Hubbell at 6:13pm in the City Hall Council Chambers at 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Chair Daniel Hubbell, Vice Chair Tiffin Goodman, Commissioners, Carolyn Boatsman, Jennifer Mechem, Lucia Pirzio-Biroli, Craig Reynolds, and Ted Weinberg were present.

STAFF PRESENT

Evan Maxim, CPD Director, Andrea Larson, Senior Administrative Assistant, Robin Proebsting, Senior Planner, Andrew Leon, Planner, Lauren Anderson, Planner, and Bio Park, Assistant City Attorney were present.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Reynolds to:

Approved the 2/25, 2019 minutes

Passed 7-0

It was moved by Weinberg; seconded by Boatsman to:

Approved the 3/6, 2019 minutes as amended

Passed 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING

Agenda Item #1: ZTR18-006 Code Clean Up Code Amendments

Andrew Leon provided a brief presentation

Chair Hubbell opened the public hearing at 6:25pm.

There were no public comments.

Chair Hubbell closed the public hearing at 6:28pm.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Agenda Item #1: ZTR18-006 Code Clean Up Code Amendments

It was moved by PB, seconded by Reynolds to:

Move to recommend that the City Council approve the proposed amendments to the Mercer Island City Code (MICC) Title 19, as detailed in Attachment A

The commission discussed the proposed code amendment.

It was moved by Boatsman, Reynolds
Page 4 line 11 to included rooftop railings and fences
Motion was withdrawn by Boatsman

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Reynolds
Line 9 page 4 remove "fences" from rooftop
Passed 7-0

The commission requested that Page 4, section D lines 15 through 27 add to docket for future PC review

Passed 7-0 as amended.

ZTR18-006 Code Clean Up Code Amendments

Agenda Item #2: ZTR18-002 Critical Areas and Shoreline Master Program Code Amendments.

Robin Proebsting, Senior Planner, provided a presentation on the Critical Areas and Shoreline Master Program code amendments.

The PC continued their discussion of the motion that was made on March 6, 2019.

Per the exhibit TB-CB recommendation for future code clean up work item to modify the definitions of "alteration" and "development" to indicate alteration does not include structures and is a subset of development. The Commission gave a thumbs up to add this to the code cleanup docket.

It was moved by Goodman; seconded by Boatsman to:

Remove references to Code Official in the following locations, as referenced is TG-CB Amendment 1:

19.07.070 page 3 of 22, lines 11-12, page 3 of 22 lines 20-21

19.07.080 page 3 of 22 line 27, page 4 of 22 lines 3-4

19.07.110 page 6 of 22 line 13, page 6 of 22 lines 40-41

19.07.130 page 8 of 22 lines 28-31

19.07.170 page 10 of 22 line 2

19.07.200 page 14 of 22 line 30, page 15 of 22 line 4, page 15 of 22 line 21, page 15 of 22 line 29

19.07.210 page 17 of 22 line 19, page 17 of 22, line 28

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Prizio-Biroli to:

Amend page 8 of 22 line 29 read as follows 19.07.130 to read "The activities in this section are except from the developments standards in subsequent sections within this chapter, provided that additional measures to protect life and property or protect environmentally quality may be required.

Passed 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; Weinberg

Page 15 of 22 line 29, to not remove the word "reduced"

Passed 7-0

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Goodman; seconded by Boatsman to:

Modify the definition of "qualified professional" to read as stated in TG-CB amendment 2

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg
To change "A" to read as "Qualified Arborist as defined in 19.16.010"
Passed 7-0

It was moved by Weingberg; seconded by Reynolds
To remove "determined by the Code Official" from line F
Passed 7-0

It was moved by Reynolds; seconded by Boatsman to:
Add " if neither licensees or national certification in the field exist"
Passed 7-0

It was moved by Reynolds; Seconded by Boatsman to:
Replace the word stream with watercourse
Passed 7-0

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Prizio-Biroli; seconded by Goodman
Page 3 line 15 amend to read "the notice shall run with the land ;and in perpetuity provided that should the critical area be eliminated, the notice may be released."
Motion was withdrawn.

The commission took a break till 8:02pm

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Prizio-Biroli to"
Amend 2 code sections 19.10.050 and 19.07-120 as presented in Exhibit CB1

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:
Amend 19.10.050.B.4 to include "under the supervision of a qualified arborist"
Passed 7-0

Scritveners error Page 1 of 45 line 17, 19.10.050.B, draft should of included the word "not" associated with a development proposal.

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Reynolds to:
Strike 19.10.050.B.4 from CB1
Passed 7-0

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:
Move 19.10.050.B.4 as referenced in exhibit CB1 to 19.07.130 page 9 of 22, as 17.07.130.D

It was moved by Reynolds; Weinberg to:
Revise the statement to read "any pruning shall not be detrimental to tree health and shall be done with international society of arboriculture standards and under the supervision of a qualified arborist"
Passed 7-0

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:
Amend 19.070.120 as presented in Exhibit CB2

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:
Remove the reference “replacing item 4”, and remove “delete B” as referenced in Exhibit CB2
Passed 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; Reynolds to:
Delete the second sentence in the definition of Clearing as shown in Exhibit CB2
Passed 7-0

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Reynolds to:
Replace 19.07.120.E.a with “4 as stated in Exhibit CB2”, and retain “b” on line page 7 of 22 line 42

Moved by PB; seconded by Weinberg to:
Amend 4.b as stated in Exhibit CB2 to include “regional and adaptive native plants”
Motion was withdrawn

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Reynolds to:
Replaced 17.07.130.B 1-4 with a-c as stated on Exhibit CB2
Passed 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:
Adopt amendment as shown in Exhibit CB3

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Reynolds to:
Keep line 36, page 11 of 22, and remove “3” from CB3
Pass 7-0

Passed as amended 7-0

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Mechem to:
Adopt the amendment proposed in Exhibit CB4 as presented
Failed 1-6

The commission took a break until 10:13pm

It was moved by Boatsman; seconded by Weinberg to:
Adopt the amendment as presented in Exhibit CB5
The motion was withdrawn by Boatsman

The Commission requests that staff work on rewriting 19.07.190 based off of Exhibit CB5.

It was moved by Reynolds; seconded by Weinberg to: table the main motion until April 3, 2019.

PLANNED ABSENCES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There are no planned absences.

OTHER BUSINESS

Evan Maxim, CPD Director, reminded the Commission that there is a subcommittee meeting for Community Facilities on March 21, 2019.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The next Planning Commission meeting is on April 3, 2019 at 6:00PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15pm