

1 **CITY OF NORTH BEND PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

2 Thursday, January 26, 2012 at 7:00 PM

3 City Hall Conference Room,

4 211 Main Avenue North, North Bend, WA 98045

5 *Please Note: A complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the City of North Bend website,*
6 *www.northbendwa.gov, under Commissions - Planning Commission - Meeting Audio.*

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8 **CALL TO ORDER**

9 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

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11 **ROLL CALL**

12 Planning Commissioners present: Bruce Bjorklund, Brenden Elwood, Gary Fancher, Jim Luckey (Vice Chair),
13 and Piper Muoio. Chair McFarland and Commissioner Lee had notified staff that they would be unable to attend,
14 and have been excused from tonight's meeting. City Staff present: Mike McCarty, Senior Planner; Gina Estep,
15 Community & Economic Development Director; Ron Garrow, Public Works Director.

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17 **AGENDA ITEM #2 – PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (LIMITED TO 3**
18 **MINUTES PER PERSON)**

19 Vice Chair Luckey asked if anyone would like to make comment on any non-agenda item. No one offered any
20 comment on non-agenda items.

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22 **AGENDA ITEM #3 – MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 12, 2012 PLANNING COMMISSION**
23 **MEETING**

24 Vice Chair Luckey asked if there was a motion to approve the Minutes from the January 12, 2012 Planning
25 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Elwood motioned to approve the Minutes; Commissioner Muoio seconded
26 the Motion. There were no comments or corrections to the Minutes offered. The Minutes were Approved, 5:0.

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28 **AGENDA ITEM #4 – TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT**

29 Mike McCarty advised the Commissioners and guests present that the policies brought back to the Planning
30 Commission tonight are what were discussed at the last meeting, including Commissioner Fancher's comments on
31 idling.

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33 Ron Garrow advised the Commissioners and guests present that he has an update to the Transportation Capital
34 Projects List.

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36 Vice Chair Luckey said that he had received a couple of emails from citizens about Truck Town, and had
37 forwarded them onto the other Commissioners and staff. There was confirmation from the other Commissioners
38 that they had received these emails from Vice Chair Luckey.

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40 Gina Estep advised that the city will be noticing an official public hearing when the whole Transportation Plan is
41 ready for adoption, at which time official comments from the public will be accepted. Ms. Estep described the
42 process for updating the Comprehensive Plan and the Transportation Element contained therein, and that the
43 document that will come out of the Planning Commission will be a recommendation to the City Council for the
44 Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan in full. Ms. Estep explained what types of issues would go to
45 the Planning Commission versus what would go directly to the City Council, and that in either case a full public
46 hearing and comment period would be required. Ms. Estep explained and clarified that this element only
47 establishes policy and doesn't set regulation.

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49 Mr. McCarty said that the Commission and staff had gotten through all of the Policies, and tonight we were going
50 to come back and make sure that the changes the Planning Commission suggested addressed the concerns that
51 they had.

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2 Ms. Estep said that this is not an official public hearing tonight, but a Public Workshop. Ms. Estep advised that
3 the guests in attendance tonight may raise their hand to comment during discussion and review of the
4 Commissioners suggested comments.

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6 There was a brief discussion between Vice Chair Luckey and staff concerning the barricade at Orchard Drive.

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8 Vice Chair Luckey said that a citizen had asked him about what was going on with the fire station. Ron Garrow
9 briefed the Commissioners and guests on the status of the new fire station, the permitting and construction
10 schedule, and that construction was expected to take 15 months.

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12 Commissioner Fancher said that he had received about one dozen emails concerning the idling issue, and that he
13 did not forward them on. Commissioner Fancher said that some of the emails were not appropriate to forward,
14 and that some of them came from independent truckers, and some from owners of trucking companies.
15 Commissioner Fancher said the primary theme was feeling cold in their truck without power. Commissioner
16 Fancher said that it is important that we look not just at one part of idling but that we also look at the
17 conveniences that have to accommodate that.

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19 Mr. Tom Kemp, 43119 SE North Bend Way, North Bend, offered comment on Policies P2.1.5 and P2.2.1.

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21 There was continued discussion of the Transportation Element and idling between the Commissioners, city staff,
22 and guests.

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24 Mr. Chuck Calhoun, 45508 SE 140th St., North Bend, offered comment.

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26 There was continued discussion of the Transportation Element and idling between the Commissioners, city staff,
27 and guests. From this point forward, guests in attendance did not in all cases announce their names before
28 speaking; therefore, some comments cannot be attributed specifically to each individual.

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30 The following names and information was written on tonight's meeting Sign-in Sheet:

- 31 • Sherwood Korssjoen, 13710 – 461st Place SE, North Bend 98045
- 32 • Chuck Calhoun, 45508 SE 140th St., North Bend 98045
- 33 • Joyce Hibma, Hibma Trucking, 13001 – 444th Ave. SE, North Bend 98045
- 34 • Tom Kemp, 43119 SE North Bend Way, North Bend 98045
- 35 • Jeff Martine, 13534 – 416th Ave., North Bend 98045
- 36 • Ron Braley, 13703 – 461st Pl. SE, North Bend 98045
- 37 • Tim Dahl, 13723 – 461st Pl. SE, North Bend 98045

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39 Ms. Joyce Hibma, Hibma Trucking, 13001 – 444th Ave. SE, North Bend 98045 offered comment.

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41 Mr. Sherwood Korssjoen, 13710 – 461st Place SE, North Bend 98045 offered comment.

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43 Mr. McCarty reviewed a comment from Commissioner Lee, for P3.1.1 with regard to parking maximums and
44 minimums, and to strike the words *or eliminate* from this section so that the line would read “Establish and
45 implement vehicle parking maximums and reduce vehicle parking minimums in the City’s parking regulations to
46 reduce the oversupply of vehicle parking not required by the actual parking demand.” There was discussion
47 between city staff and the Commissioners about this suggested edit. There was a consensus among the
48 Commissioners to agree to this suggested change.

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50 Commissioner Muoio said she thought that Section P2.2.1 was edited at a prior meeting to eliminate the specific
51 calling out of the words *children and/or the elderly*, however they are still present. Ms. Estep said she would take
52 this out as Commissioner Muoio suggested.

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54 Commissioner Muoio said she thought that in Goal G2, the Commission had decided to add the words *water*
55 *quality* and *public health*, yet public health did not get added.

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2 Commissioner Fancher motioned to adopt the updated Goals, Objectives and Policies section as amended.
3 Commissioner Bjorklund seconded the motion. The motion was Approved, 5:0.

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5 Ron Garrow briefed the Commissioners and guests on the updates to the Transportation Comprehensive Plan
6 Update – Suggested Capital Improvements Projects, which incorporates the revisions from the last Planning
7 Commission meeting, such as re-prioritization of one of the projects on the list. Mr. Garrow said that added to the
8 Projects List were the estimated costs of each project.

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10 There was discussion, including questions and answers, between Mr. Garrow, Ms. Estep, Mr. McCarty, and the
11 Commissioners regarding the suggested Capital Improvement Projects list.

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13 **AGENDA ITEM #5 – UPDATES TO THE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN**

14 Mr. Garrow gave a summary to the Commissioners of the Floodplain Management Plan, and the changes made to
15 the plan.

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17 There was discussion, including questions and answers, between Mr. Garrow, Ms. Estep, Mr. McCarty, and the
18 Commissioners regarding the Floodplain Management Plan. After discussion, there was a consensus to bring this
19 agenda subject back at a future meeting.

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21 **ADJOURNMENT:**
22 Vice Chair Luckey asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Elwood motioned to adjourn the
23 meeting; Commissioner Muoio seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM.

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25 **NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**
26 The next Planning Commission meeting will be held February 9, 2012 at the City Hall Conference Room.

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32 Jim Luckey, Vice Chair

Mike McCarty, City of North Bend