

City of Cle Elum
Planning Commission (CEPC) Meeting Minutes
City Council Chambers
March 19, 2024 | 6:00 PM

Call to Order

Chair Berndt called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM

Roll Call

CEPC Members Present: Chair Gary Berndt, Colin Brissey (via zoom), Ian Steele, Marc Kirkpatrick (via zoom)

CEPC Members Absent: Matt Fluegge and Paul Kantwill excused. Commissioner Steele made a motion to excuse Commissioners Fluegge and Kantwill. Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

Staff Present: Colleda Monick

Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None.

Adoption of Minutes

Commissioner Kirkpatrick motioned to accept the March 5th, 2024 minutes as presented. Commissioner Brissey seconded. Motion passed.

Public Hearing

None scheduled.

Staff Report

Chair Berndt

- Spoke with Mayor Lundh regarding the individual who applied for the planning commission, but they have not been able to schedule a meeting.

Colleda Monick

- Check in regarding Civic Plus emails
- Met with the Department of Fish and Wildlife yesterday to continue discussing updates to the Critical Areas. I'll keep you posted on when we might have recommended code changes ready for the Commission's consideration.
- Attending a Countywide Housing Workgroup workshop later this week and will report back to the Commissioners. The intent of the workgroup is to provide an opportunity for regional collaboration regarding housing in Kittitas County.
- Attending a listening session presented by the Washington State Department of Commerce which plans to provide updates and address 17 pieces of recent legislation that has recently passed on housing, permitting, development regulations, urban growth areas and rural development.
- State adopted the 2021 Building Codes, the city is following state regulations and will be formally adopting it in their code.

New Business

1. Continuation of sign code discussion specifically nonconforming uses and "historic and pedestrian character".
Commissioner Kirkpatrick is strongly in favor of keeping the "historic and pedestrian character" clause for the Downtown Commercial District and recommended creating a sub-committee to discuss defining this and developing specific regulations. Suggestion to include the Cle Elum Downtown Association as a subcommittee. Commissioner Brissey volunteered to participate in the committee. Staff will work on scheduling.
2. Review proposed changes to section 17.16, Residential. Bringing back a table of potential Home Occupation types and review levels. Also bring back for discussion, Short-Term Rental Home Occupation vs. Short-Term Rental Commercial business.

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

None

Next Meeting Agenda Development

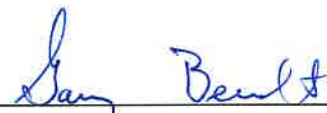
1. Review previous code revisions (17.16)
2. Review section 17.20, Multi-Family Residential
3. Table of Permitted Uses (?), presentation by Madelyn Nelson

Commissioner Comments and Discussion

Commissioner Kirkpatrick recommended looking into whether or not the Historic Preservation Commission could be combined with the Planning Commission. Suggested having a member of the Historic Society be a seated member of the Commission. Staff to follow up.

Adjournment

Chair Berndt called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kirkpatrick motioned and Commissioner Brissey seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. and to reconvene on April 2nd, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.



Chair Berndt



Date