

1 **City of Lake Forest Park – Planning Commission**
2 **Regular Meeting Minutes: August 12, 2025, 2025; 7:00-9:00pm**
3 **Hybrid Meeting Held in the Forest Room at City Hall and Virtually via Zoom**
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5 **Planning Commissioners present:** Chair Sam Castic, Madlyn Larson (via Zoom), Vice Chair
6 Janne Kaje (via Zoom), Meredith LaBonte, John Drew, David Kleweno
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8 **Staff and others present:** Mark Hofman, Community Development Director; Alexandra Doty,
9 Cascadia (via Zoom); Maddie Seibert, Cascadia (via Zoom)
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11 **Members of the Public present:** No members of the public present.
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13 **Planning Commissioners absent:** Cherie Finazzo
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15 **Call to order:** Chair Castic called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM
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17 **Land Acknowledgement:** Cmr. Kleweno read the land acknowledgement.
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19 **Approval of Agenda:** Cmr. Larson moved and proposed edits on items 9b and 9c., Cmr. Kleweno
20 seconded and the motion was approved. Cmr. LaBonte made a motion to approve the agenda as
21 amended, and Vice Chair Kaje seconded, and the motion to approve the agenda was carried
22 unanimously.
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24 **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Cmr. Drew made a motion to approve the July 8, 2025, Meeting
25 Minutes, Cmr. Larson seconded and the motion to approve the minutes was carried unanimously.
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27 **Public Hearing:** None.
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29 **Next meeting:** The next meeting occurs on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.
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31 **Public Comment:** No public comments.
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33 **City Council Liaison Report:** Mr. Hofman let the planning commission know that Council
34 member Lebo will not be joining the meeting and that the city council will be cancelling the late
35 august meetings.
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37 **Old Business:**

38 **Climate Element Comprehensive Plan Amendment Update with Cascadia**

39 Ms. Doty presented a power point on the next steps for the Climate Element. Ms. Seibert also
40 presented the preliminary themes on the results from the public comment period including
41 supporting trees, expanding and learning about renewable energy, boosting community education
42 and involvement, and increasing access to alternative modes of transportation.
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44 Ms. Seibert also went through the individual public comments with the planning commissioners.
45 The planning commissioners were able to discuss the comments and possible avenues on how to
46 address the comments from the public.
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1 **Continued discussion Planning for next steps on development regulation amendments**
2 **regarding housing options**

3 Mr. Hofman laid out the conditions that staff is currently undertaking, which leads to limited staff
4 availability focusing on these issues. Vice Chair Kaje mentioned tackling lot frontage and middle
5 housing.
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7 **Continued discussion Planning for next steps on affordable housing incentives/tools**

8 Tabled for next meeting.
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10 **New Business:**

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12 **Reports and Announcements:** No reports and announcements.
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14 **Agenda for Next Meeting:** Discussion on the Climate Element and affordable housing incentives.
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16 **Adjournment:** Vice Chair Kaje made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Cmr. LaBonte seconded,
17 and the motion was carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM.
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21 Sam Castic, Planning Commission Chair
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