



# PLANNING COMMISSION

## REGULAR HYBRID MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

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### CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Murphy at 6:00 pm.

Chair Michael Murphy and Commissioners Kate Akyuz, Angela Battazzo, Carolyn Boatsman, Chris Goelz, Victor Raisys, and Adam Ragheb were present remotely.

### Staff Remote Participation:

Jeff Thomas, CPD Director  
Alison Van Gorp, Deputy CPD Director  
Adam Zack, Senior Planner  
Deb Estrada, Deputy City Clerk

### APPEARANCES

Ira Appelman, Mercer Island, addressed the Planning Commission regarding the proposed Park Zone.

### REGULAR BUSINESS

#### 1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for December 6, 2023:

A motion was made by Boatsman; seconded by Battazzo to:  
**Approve the December 6, 2023, minutes.**  
Approved 7-0

#### 2. PCB24-01: Comprehensive Plan Update: Parks Zone - First Review

Alison Van Gorp, Deputy Director, addressed the Commission and recommended a joint special meeting with the Parks and Recreation Commission on February 8 at 6 PM. There was **consensus** by the Commission to schedule the meeting as suggested.

Adam Zack, Senior Planner, shared a presentation to introduce the Commission to the initial parks zone. The presentation addressed the following:

- Background
- Process
- Parks Zone Overview:
  - Zone establishment (amending MICC 19.01.040)
  - Zone purpose and designation criteria
  - Permitted land uses
  - Development standards
  - Definitions (amending MICC 19.16.010)
- Respond to Parks and Recreation Commission Input
- Next Steps:
  - Commissioner comments due by 4 PM on January 31, 2024
  - Joint Parks and Recreation Commission/Planning Commission Work Session
  - Planning Commission will resolve comments from commissioners on February 28

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**3. Deputy Director's Report**

Deputy Director Van Gorp gave a brief update on staff's effort to develop a six-month schedule, which will include extra meetings.

**4. Planned Absences for Future Meetings.**

None

**ADJOURNED** - The meeting adjourned at 9:39 pm

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Deborah Estrada, MMC, Deputy City Clerk

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