



Planning Commission Meeting

433 Cherry Street, Sumas
Monday, July 21, 2025, at 5:30 PM

Minutes

Present

Carson Cortez, City Planner
Michelle Quinn, City Clerk
John Van Wingerden Commissioner
Helen Solem, Commissioner
Lizette Custer, Commissioner
Jacob Williams, Commissioner

ABSENT

Ex-Officio Josh Clawson

Review/Correct and/or Approve Minutes

June 30, 2025, Draft Minutes

John VanWingerden made a motion to approve June 30, 2025, Minutes, Lizette Custer seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

Old Business

Draft Comprehensive Land Use Plan 2025-2045

Carson Cortez, City Planner, started with the remaining chapters housing, transportation, and utilities element. Carson explained the timeline for a working draft should be done by the end of July.

Discussion on housing element and the projected population will be from the census 2020 and 2023 using both sets of data and the housing projections over the next twenty years. Helen would like the UGA expanding south on Hovel Road to be reconsidered for our UGA growth in the future.

Carson explained the transportation element is not totally updated due to waiting on information to complete the section. Discussion about crosswalks on Cherry and Front and how to get the state to fund the crosswalks.

The utilities element section does not have many changes. Carson stated the electrical section is still being worked on to update the information.

Economic development elements will include how COVID affected our community.

Adjournment

Next meeting was set for August 18, 2025, at 5:30 pm.

Jacob Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting, John VanWingerden seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

Councilmember Josh Clawson, Ex Officio

City Clerk

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