

# MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER PLANNING COMMISSION  
June 9, 2026



**CONVENE:** 7:01 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chair Elizabeth Robbins, Vice Chair Brandon Staff, and Commissioners Sandra Nelson, Grace Edwards, Matthew Rounsley, and Terry Kirkpatrick.

Excused: Commissioner Gina Kotek.

Staff: Associate Planner Spencer McKenna, Associate Planner Dana Bowers, and Deputy Community Development Director Sharon Lumbantobing.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** No changes.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** **Commissioner Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick, to approve the minutes of May 26, 2026, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT:** No reports.

**DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Deputy Director Lumbantobing provided updates to projects including the following:

- Upcoming Planning Commission meeting topics
- City Council direction for staff to develop regulations for battery energy storage systems
- Introduction of the new Associate Planner

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.

**ORDINANCE NO.  
O2026-008, 2026  
BUILDING  
DEMOLITION CODE  
UPDATES:**

Deputy Director Lumbantobing presented Ordinance No. O2026-008, 2026 Building Demolition Code Updates, proposing code amendments to Tumwater Municipal Code (TMC) 15.50 Demolition. These amendments included a definition of “foundation”, per the request of Commissioner Kirkpatrick.

**MOTION**

**Commissioner Rounsley moved, seconded by Commissioner Nelson, to schedule a public hearing on Ordinance No. O2026-008, Building Demolition Code Updates for June 23, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 23, 2026.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**With no further business, Chair Robbins adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.**

Prepared by Spencer McKenna, Associate Planner