



Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for – October 24, 2018

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Vice Chair Cleland-McGrath called the meeting of October 24, 2018 to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners and staff sat in a round table format in front of the audience.

Roll Call

Members Present: Commissioners Cleland-McGrath, Doll, MacKenzie, Moffitt, Graf, and Mount

Absent: Commissioner McNett

Minutes

Minutes of September 26 and October 10, 2018, approved as presented.

Correspondence

None

New Business

Steve Hoglund, Finance Director, presented on the draft 2019-2024 Capital Facilities Plan.

Old Business

Public Meeting – Division VI of the Draft Development Regulations

Libby Grage, Planning Manager, presented a continuation of proposed code on Division VI, Project Design.

Commissioners questioned the requirement of a licensed landscape architect or horticulturist and requested the use of fruit trees. Staff responded that some other jurisdictions have this requirement and that MAKERS and staff will propose a threshold for the requirement. Staff will also look into the use of fruit trees in the landscaping requirements.

Cynthia Richardson, 315 V Ave. Ms. Richardson supported allowing a non-licensed person provide a landscaping plan on commercial projects under 4,000 square feet and requested encouraging adjoining businesses develop parking landscaping for easier customer access.

Jimmy Blais, 2405 1st Ave, Seattle, MJB Properties. Mr. Blais agreed with Ms. Richardson, elaborated on the types of trees that do not work well with certain uses, commented on the difficulties involved with block frontage standards on multiple sides of a property, stated that

there are conflicting requirements in minimum width of landscaping standards, and requested removal of requirements to screen foundations.

Robert Festa, E Park Drive. Mr. Festa commented that landscape screening of foundations will prevent easily maintaining building exteriors.

Staff will evaluate re-writing parking lot landscaping requirements and landscape screening of building foundations.

Michael Huber. Mr. Huber requested flexible height limits for ADUs to allow units above a detached garage.

Ms. Grage stated that ADU requirements will be discussed at a future Planning Commission meeting to review Division IV.

Vice Chair Cleland-McGrath called the meeting to a close at approximately 7:30 p.m. The next meeting to review the updates will be held on November 14, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.

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