

**CITY OF SEATAC  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
Minutes of November 18, 2014  
Regular Meeting**

**Members Present:** Joe Adamack, Roxie Chapin, Tom Danztler, Robert Scully, Jim Todd

**Staff present:** Joe Scorcio, CED Director; Steve Pilcher, Planning Manager; Kate Kaehny, Senior Planner

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Adamack called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. Approve minutes of November 4, 2014 Meeting**

Moved and seconded to approve the minutes as written. **Passed 5-0.**

It was noted that the minutes were incorrectly identified as being for November 7, 2014. Moved and seconded to correct the date from November 7 to November 4. **Passed 5-0.**

**3. Public Comment**

None.

**4. Briefing on Wright Runstad presentation to City Council**

Senior Planner Kate Kaehny overviewed the PowerPoint presentation made by Cindy Edens of Wright Runstad at the November 12 City Council study session. Their site is one under consideration by the Federal General Services Administration for a future Federal Aviation Administration building. A site selection decision is due in March 2015. (The Port of Seattle has a site on the west side of 26<sup>th</sup> Ave. So., just north of South 200<sup>th</sup> St., which is also under consideration.)

The site has many advantages due to its topography. Until full build-out of the site, the current park'n'fly operation will remain in operation.

**5. Extension of Interim Regulations for the Interim Angle Lake Station Area**

Senior Planner Kate Kaehny stated that staff is requesting the Commission make a recommendation to the City Council on whether to extend the current Interim Regulations. They are due to expire at the end of the year. Staff is suggesting the maximum 6 month extension as

allowed by law. The City Council will be holding a public hearing on this matter at its December 9, 2014 regular meeting.

Ms. Kaehny indicated that staff may request another 6 month extension if final regulations for the Angle Lake Station District cannot be adopted by June 30, 2015. The Station District Plan, which will be under formal review in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2015, will include recommendations for regulations. Ms. Kaehny noted that two development proposals are being considered under the interim regulations, which do not appear to have presented any significant difficulties to these projects.

The Commission had a few questions about the impacts of the regulations on the hotel projects underway and on Wright Runstad's plans.

Moved and seconded to recommend the City Council extend the Interim Regulations until June 30, 2015. **Passed 5-0.**

## **6. Update on Angle Lake Station Area Plan**

Senior Planner Kate Kaehny provided an update to the Commission on progress in completing a draft Plan. She noted that staff has reached out to major property owners in the area, asking them to complete a short questionnaire regarding several issues under consideration. To date, only 6 property owners have responded. She also noted that staff is suggesting the station area be referred to as the "Angle Lake Station District," rather than a "Station Area."

She reviewed some of the demographic background information obtained from the Puget Sound Regional Council's Growing Transit Communities report. The Commission requested clarifications in some of the information.

The Commission also discussed perceived problems of crime in the city and that it needs to be addressed to make the city a more livable community. CED Director Scorcio offered to ask Police Chief Mulligan to attend a future Commission meeting to address this issue.

Ms. Kaehny then reviewed non-motorized circulation issues, the transit environment and upcoming steps in the plan process.

## **7. CED Director's Report**

CED Director Joe Scorcio reviewed a recent webinar that staff and Commissioner Todd participated in, regarding "failed commercial corridors." The seminar included a lot of useful information about commercial real estate and how some communities are re-purposing empty storefronts.

He also noted that the City Council approved the budget on November 12<sup>th</sup>. The budget includes the imposition of a utility tax and assumes the adoption of increases in many fees. Action on the fee schedule will occur on November 25.

**8. Commissioner's report**

Commissioner Adamack noted he had participated in a recent meeting regarding the future of the Grandview Dog Park. The current group (SODA) that has been maintaining the park will no longer be doing so. A new volunteer group is forming.

**9. Adjournment**

Moved and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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