

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council
Mobility & Infrastructure Committee

6:30 PM
April 10, 2024

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 135 E.
Sunset Way, Issaquah WA

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Committee Members:

Chris Reh, Chair
Barbara de Michele
Zach Hall

Administration/Staff:

Andrea Snyder, Deputy City Administrator
Emily Moon, Director, Public Works
Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Reh called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one spoke at public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of March 12, 2024, were approved as presented by unanimous consent.

AGENDA ITEMS

- a) **COM 0009 Squak Mountain Non-Motorized Improvement Project Landscaping Standards**

After the staff presentation no one spoke at public comment.

Committee comments included the following:

- Committee encouraged allowing adjustments to this and similar cases in the future.
- There is no downside to providing more flexibility.
- Committee felt, however, that changing standards could become a “slippery slope” and that some guard rails needed to be applied.
- Apply criteria in a thoughtful manner.
- Current criteria are too narrow.
- Committee is supportive of green landscapes and a safe and comfortable pedestrian experience.
- Committee suggested adding traffic calming measure as well. Bicycle facilities were also encouraged, if practical.
- Committee members were impressed with the level of neighborhood engagement and look forward to hearing community feedback.

Committee agreed with the staff recommendation to proceed with engagement using the non-code compliant designs and begin the process to amend the Street Standards to allow for more protection of existing trees and critical areas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:00 PM.

Chris Reh, Chair

Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk