

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council
Planning, Development & Environment Committee

6:30 PM
September 6, 2023

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 135 E.
Sunset Way, Issaquah WA

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Committee Members:

Victoria Hunt, Chair
Lindsey Walsh
Zach Hall

Administration/Staff:

Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator
Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

CM Hunt called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one spoke at public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of the June 6, 2023 were approved by consent.

AGENDA ITEMS

- a) **ID 1404 Comprehensive Plan Update: Housing and Land Use**

After the staff presentation no one spoke at public comment.

Committee comments included the following:

- Committee members felt the timing for this discussion was appropriate.
- Committee members were interested to know what the Planning Policy Commission thought.
- Ensure that County and State regulations are being met.
- Conversation needs to be had around State bills 1220 and 1110 and how they can be thoughtfully implemented.
- Committee would like PPC to look at potential conflicts.
- Committee members acknowledged that the 5 year “check-in” as the appropriate point to make changes but would like to add the phrase “make modifications as recommended.”
- Other specific changes included:
 - i) C6 – need to possibly clarify “priority”. After further discussion the Committee decided that this was unnecessary and that the terms “priority” and “prioritize” were adequately defined elsewhere in the plan.
 - ii) D1 – don’t need “while maintaining character”.
 - iii) A12 – encourage development of micro-housing.
 - iv) C3 – C4 – add new trends in housing.

b) ID 1528 Amendments to Title 18: Development Table Update

After the staff presentation no one spoke at public comment.

Committee comments included the following:

- Committee members thanked staff for catching the error in the new code and for the clear explanation.

Committee recommended placing this item on the consent calendar for the September 18 Regular Council Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:26 PM.

Victoria Hunt, Chair

Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk