

**CITY OF MONROE  
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 23, 2015**

The meeting of the Monroe Planning Commission was scheduled for February 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers at 806 West Main Street, Monroe, WA 98272.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Commissioner Kristiansen** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Secretary LaVelle** called the roll. The following were:

**Present:** Commissioner Jensen, Commissioner Tuttle, Commissioner Rodland, Commissioner Kristiansen, Commissioner Sherwood, and Commissioner Duerksen.

**Excused:** Commissioner Stanger

**Staff Present:** Public Works Director Brad Feilberg and Planning Commission Secretary Christina LaVelle

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None

**WORKSHOP**

**A. Marijuana Related Use**

Adopting findings and recommendation to forward to City Council regarding proposed changes in buffer requirements for the production, processing, and retail sales of recreational marijuana.

**Director Feilberg summarized the following:**

- Public comments from the February 9, 2015, public hearing for marijuana related uses. Six (6) citizens commented and responded in the affirmative for adopting the proposed city council ordinance proposing the adoption of 1,000 foot buffers around churches, private parks and the Evergreen State Fairgrounds for the production, processing and retail sales of marijuana.
- Director Feilberg presented three (3) options for a recommendation to be forwarded to the City Council.

**The Commission discussion is summarized below:**

- The Commission rejected the three recommended actions (options) offered by Director Feilberg and presented a recommendation to forward to City Council to reject the proposed ordinance and corresponding buffer map.

**Commissioner Jensen** moved to forward a recommendation to the City Council to reject the proposed amendments MMC 18.70 Marijuana Related Uses. **Commissioner Tuttle** seconded. Motion carried 5/1. **Chairman Kristiansen** opposed.

**B. 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update**

Continued review of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update Goals & Policies (policies related to Goals 7 & 4)

**Director Feilberg summarized the following:**

- Policies related to Goals 7 & 4.

**The Commission discussion is summarized below:**

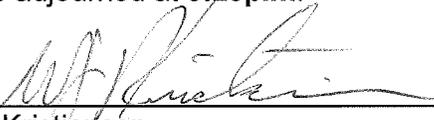
- Policies related to Goals 7 & 4: The Commission recommended changes to the proposed policies. These changes included developing goal specific policies, wordsmithing, consolidation, and the removal of inappropriate policies.

**DISCUSSION BY COMMISSION AND STAFF**

- Rules and procedures per the Washington State Records Disclosure rules for email correspondence.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner Jensen** made a motion to adjourn the February 23, 2015 Planning Commission meeting. Motion seconded by **Commissioner Sherwood**. Motion carried 6/0 and the meeting was adjourned at **9:23p.m.**

  
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Bill Kristjansen  
Chairman

  
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Christina LaVelle  
Planning Commission Secretary