



**CITY OF MONROE  
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES  
March 9, 2015**

The meeting of the Monroe Planning Commission was scheduled for **March 9, 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.

**Absent:** Commissioner Stanger

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

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. March 2, 2015**

**Commissioner Sherwood** moved to accept the March 2, 2015 minutes with changes. **Commissioner Duerksen** seconded. Motion carried **6/0**.

**WORKSHOP**

**A. 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update**

Continued review of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update Goals & Policies

- a. Policies related to Goal 5
- b. Policies related to Goal 1
- c. Review of New Goal 9
- d. Policies related to Goal 9
- e. Review of overall Policy Framework
- f. Policies without Goals

**The Commission discussion is summarized below:**

- Goal 5: Provide types and quality of development in Monroe to assure land-use compatibility, enhance neighborhood character, and facilitate the City's long-term sustainability.
  - The Commission discussed and recommended changes to Goal 5.
  - The Commission recommended changes to policies related to Goal 5. These changes included wordsmithing, the removal of inappropriate policies, modifying proposed policies, and combining like policies.

- Goal 1: A well-managed city that responds to community needs.
  - The Commission discussed the goal and its appropriateness as a goal. They were in consensus that as written, the goal was more appropriate as a mission statement. After discussion, the Commission decided to strike goal 1, combine it with the vision statement, and the transfer of goal 1 specific policies to other appropriate goals.
  
- Goal 9: Have a downtown that is a thriving commercial, civic, and residential area in Monroe.
  - The Commission discussed the policies as proposed and agreed that some of the policies required wordsmithing, removal, addition of new policies, or consolidation with other policies.
  - After discussion, the Commission agreed that the policies for goal 9, required evaluation from the consultant for potential changes.

#### DISCUSSION BY COMMISSION AND STAFF

- Joint Meeting March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 for Consultant Presentation of 2015 Comprehensive Plan
- City of Monroe mobile application

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Commissioner Sherwood** made a motion to adjourn the **March 9, 2015** Planning Commission meeting. Motion seconded by **Commissioner Rodland**. Motion carried **6/0** and the meeting was adjourned at **9:05 p.m.**

  
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Bill Kristiansen  
Chairman

  
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Christina LaVelle  
Planning Commission Secretary