

*City of Burien*

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION  
September 11, 2013  
7:00 p.m.  
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jim Clingan called the September 11, 2013, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Jim Clingan, Greg Duff, Ray Helms, and Joey Martinez, and Nancy Tosta via speakerphone

Absent: Butch Henderson and Brooks Stanfield

Administrative staff present: David Johanson, senior planner; Chip Davis, Community Development director

**AGENDA CONFIRMATION**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Duff, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve the agenda for the September 11, 2013, meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Helms, and passed 5-0 to approve the amended draft minutes of the August 28, 2013, meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Introduction and Discussion on Interim Zoning Regulations Related to Recreational Marijuana Businesses in Burien**

Mr. Davis explained that since Burien code was silent on recreational marijuana use as approved by Washington state voters, the City has been unable to provide appropriate direction to prospective applicants trying to secure a site for their potential marijuana business, which is required in order to apply for a state license. He said the City Council on August 19<sup>th</sup> adopted Ordinance 586, establishing six-month interim regulations on the establishment, location, operation, licensing, maintenance and continuation of marijuana producers, processors and retailers. He referenced Attachment 1 to the memo included in the packet

summarizing the interim regulations, and noted that a public hearing is required within 60 days of adoption of the interim code. The hearing, he said, will be the beginning of the public process of adopting permanent regulations within six months. Mr. Davis said the state has designated Burien to receive only one licensed retail store, although that number was set with pre-2010 annexation numbers, so at some point in the future a second license might be granted based on Burien's actual population. He said the commission will conduct the public hearing at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Johanson told the commissioners that, regarding the proposed amendments to the Downtown Commercial zone multi-family recreation space requirements, staff will be providing the City Council with new optional language adding to the Planning Commission recommendation. He said that proposed new language was a direct result of the detailed discussions and work of the Planning Commission on the topic. While it is similar to the Planning Commission's recommendation, projects of less than 50 units would be required to provide private recreation space at a minimum of 48 square feet. Projects of 50 units or more may reduce the size of private decks or patios down to a minimum of 24 square feet. This option helps encourage growth in the downtown by offering a small benefit to developers whose buildings maximize the use of the land.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **Direction/Action**

Commissioner Martinez moved for adjournment; Commissioner Duff seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

**APPROVED:** September 25, 2013

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair  
Planning Commission