



**Pacific County**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION**

**January 21, 2016 Minutes**  
**South District Courtroom**  
**Long Beach, Washington**

**ATTENDANCE**

Eric deMontigny, Chair  
Jim Sayce, Vice Chair  
Bill Kennedy, Member  
Kelly Rupp, Member  
Stan Smith, Member  
Mike Nichols, Member  
Scott Turnbull, Member

Faith Taylor-Eldred, DCD Director  
Tim Crose, DCD Planning Director  
Nichol Duff, Clerk of the Board  
The Watershed Company

There were 31 members of the general public in attendance. Please refer to the attendance sheet for further details.

Chair, Eric deMontigny called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m. and introduced the Planning Commission (PC) members and staff.

**MINUTES**

There were no minutes ready for approval at the time of the meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was discussed and the Board made a recommendation on how they would like to receive future comments from staff.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Hearing Continuation: 4.a – Shoreline Master Program Update**

- Chair, Eric deMontigny, opened the public hearing.
- The Clerk administered the oath to those in attendance wishing to testify.
- Testimony was given. Chair, Eric deMontigny closed the hearing to testimony at approximately 6:51 p.m.
- Tim Crose briefed the Board on the new timeline for the Shoreline Master Program Update and the Critical Areas Ordinance Update.

- Vice Chair, Jim Sayce, recommended and made motion for a workshop on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to further discuss the Shoreline Master Program Update, seconded by Mike Nichols, and carried by a vote 7-0.
- Deliberations were held between the Planning Commission Members.
- Chair, Eric deMontigny, continued the public hearing on the Shoreline Master Program Update to February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Pacific County Procedural Ordinance No. 177 Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law**

Scott Turnball made a motion to adopt the following Findings of Fact on Procedural Ordinance No. 177 as amended, seconded by Vice Chair, Jim Sayce, and carried by a vote of 7-0.

#### **Ordinance No. 177 Finding of Fact**

1. Since 1995 the Washington State Legislature has enacted several pieces of legislation pertaining to regulatory reform, e.g. Chapter 347, Laws of 1995, codified primarily in Chapters 36.70A, 36.70B, and 36.70C.
2. Chapter 347, Laws of 1995, codified primarily in Chapters 36.70A, 36.70B, and 36.70C seek to integrate growth management planning and environmental review.
3. Chapter 347, Laws of 1995, codified primarily in Chapters 36.70A, 36.70B, and 36.70C mandate, among other things, that counties must adopt procedures to streamline and facilitate the processing of land use development applications.
4. The Board of Pacific County Commissioners adopted the 2010 Pacific County Comprehensive Plan on October 26, 2010 following a lengthy update process.
5. Pacific County is required to update its existing development regulations to ensure consistency with the 2010 Pacific County Comprehensive Plan and the state Growth Management Act (GMA), Chapter 36.70A RCW.
6. Pacific County's Ordinance relating to the processing of land use development applications constitutes one of the development regulations that needs to be enacted under the Pacific County Comprehensive Plan and the GMA.
7. Pacific County Ordinance Nos. 145, 145A, 145B, 145C, 145D, 145E, 145F, 145G , and 164 need to be rescinded and replaced with a new primary Ordinance No. 177 to prevent confusion that occurs resulting from having multiple amendments to the same primary ordinance.
13. The Pacific County Planning Commission held public hearings on the proposed ordinance update on November 5, 2015. The Planning Commission also held public hearings regarding amended Ordinance No. 177 on December 3, 2015 and January 7, 2016.
14. Pacific County received no public comments regarding the proposed ordinance update during the November 5, 2015 public hearing. Public comments were received during the December 3, 2015 public hearing and are included as part of the record.

15. This Land Use Ordinance amendment is procedural in nature and is exempt from the provisions of SEPA per WAC 197-11-800(19) and Pacific County Ordinance No. 166.
16. Pacific County sent Notice of Proposed Ordinance Adoption to the Washington State Department of Commerce (Growth Management Services Division) on September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The sixty (60) day review period ended November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
17. Pacific County Ordinance No. 177 will effectuate the intent of the Pacific County Comprehensive Plan and will provide procedures to streamline and facilitate the processing of land use development applications.

Scott Turnball made a motion to adopt the following Conclusion of Law on Procedural Ordinance No. 177, seconded by Stan Smith, and carried by a vote of 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 177 Conclusions of Law**

1. The Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA), Chapter 36.70A RCW, mandates that Counties and Cities required or choosing to plan under the authority of the Growth Management Act must adopt development regulations consistent with the jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan and state law.
2. Ordinances relating to the processing of land use development applications are considered to be a GMA development regulation by State Law.
3. Pacific County opted to plan under the authority of the Growth Management Act in 1990 via adoption of Pacific County resolution No. 90-123.
4. Adoption of Ordinance No. 164, Procedures For Processing Land Use Development Applications, which is an update to Ordinance No. 164, will adequately effectuate the intent of the Pacific County Comprehensive Plan.
5. Ordinance No. 177, Procedures For Processing Land Use Development Applications, is procedural in nature and is exempt from the provisions of SEPA per WAC 197-11-800(19) and Pacific County Ordinance No. 166.
6. Ordinance No. 177, Procedures For Processing Land Use Development Applications, promotes the health, safety and welfare of the general public and is consistent with GMA requirements.

The Planning Commission adjourned at approximately 9:33 p.m.

*(Please refer to the recording for a more detailed discussion).*