

City of Mount Vernon
Planning Commission Meeting
Minutes October 15, 2019

Chairperson Shelley Acero called the meeting to order. Present were Planning Commission members Bekki Cox, Adair Orr, Christopher Bollinger, Senior Planner Lowell, Shawna Gossett, Morgan Morrison, Police Chief Cammock, Fire Chief Brice, Library Director Huffman, IS Director Kleppe, Project Development Manager Donovan, Public Works Director Bell, Wastewater Manager Duranceau.

Planning Commission members Al Lyon and James Stewart were absent.

Mr. Orr moved, second by Ms. Cox, to approve the minutes from January 15, 2019. Motion carried.

Public Hearing on Capital Improvement Plan 2020-2025:

Mrs. Acero opened the hearing for public comment. No comments were received and the hearing closed.

Peter Donovan gave an overview of the CIP 2020-2025. Each department presented their top 2 priority projects.

- Library- Mr. Huffman, Library Director, presented the Library & Community Center + Parking Facility and replacing library furniture.
- Fire- Fire Chief Brice, presented the Construction of Fire Station No. 1 and Station No. 3 Addition.
- General Facilities- Peter Donovan presented the infrastructure improvements. Esco Bell, Public Works Director presented the new Public Works Shop Facility.
- Informational Services- Kim Kleppe, IS Director, presented the San Storage for Virtual Servers.
- Parks & Enrichment Services- Peter Donovan presented Little Mountain Improvements and the Riverbend Cutoff Trail.
- Police Department- Police Chief Cammock presented the Traffic Safety Cameras and the Multi-Purpose Vehicle Replacement.
- Surface Water- Esco Bell presented Storm Sewer Restoration Program and the South 19th Street Culvert Removal.
- Transportation- Esco Bell presented Local Street Improvements and Freeway Drive Improvements
- Wastewater- Esco Bell presented the Addition to Administration Building and Sewer Restoration Program

Mr. Orr moved, second by Ms. Cox, to recommend to City Council, approval of the 2020-2025 Capital Improvements Plan.

Affordable Housing Code Amendment Discussion:

Mrs. Lowell presented the affordable housing code amendments. These amendments included 50% density increases in R-1 zones and doubling density in multi-family zones, doubling density in PUDs (threshold decreased from 10 to 5 acres), parking reductions and increased height in C-3 and C-4 zones, ADUs outright permitted use and increased from 900 sf to 1000 sf, and duplex and townhouse subdivision code.

Miscellaneous:

None

There being no further business, Mr. Orr moved, second by Ms. Cox, to adjourn. Motion carried.