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CITY OF SHORELINE

SHORELINE PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING
(Via Zoom)

May 5, 2022
7:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present

Chair Pam Sager
Vice Chair Julius Rwamashongye
Commissioner Leslie Brinson
Commissioner Janelle Callahan
Commissioner Andy Galuska
Commissioner Mei-shiou Lin
Commissioner Christopher Mosier

Staff Present

Rachel Markle, Planning Director
Carla Hoekzema, Planning Commission Clerk
Juniper Nammi, Light Rail Project Manager
Julie Ainsworth-Taylor, Assistant City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sager called the regular meeting of the Shoreline Planning Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Hoekzema called the roll.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as amended with the addition of a Director's Report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 21, 2022 were accepted as presented.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no general public comments.

STUDY ITEM: SOUND TRANSIT LYNNWOOD LINK EXTENSION PROJECT UPDATE

Light Rail Project Manager Juniper Nammi made a presentation regarding the Sound Transit Lynnwood Link Project. She reviewed numerous pictures of the project, a schedule of coordinated city projects, and aerial drone video of the project.

Vice Chair Rwamashongye commented on challenges with the concrete part of the project.

Chair Sager asked about the safety record of the project. Ms. Nammi reported that they are well below the average number of incidents. She has been very impressed with their procedures.

Commissioner Brinson asked about parcels that could be surplus. Ms. Nammi generally reviewed these. There is one group of remnant pieces that can be merged together into three or four parcels. Commissioner Brinson asked if the City has had conversations with Sound Transit about some of these redevelopable parcels to go to affordable housing. Ms. Nammi explained there are very few parcels to be surplus, and there aren't any transit-oriented development projects that Sound Transit is undertaking on these parcels. Sound Transit has updated policies on affordable housing requirements that have to be covered for each piece of property before they can sell it. She does not anticipate any significant projects, but she will follow up with this. Commissioner Brinson suggested this might be a place they could think about alignment with the cottage housing conversation, affordable home ownership, and Sound Transit public property.

Vice Chair Rwamashongye agreed that they should negotiate with Sound Transit. He commented that the reason Seattle was able to do what it did is they took advantage of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement part of the process.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Markle gave an update on in-person meetings which will likely begin on June 16. There will still be an option for hybrid attendance with advance notice.

She also reviewed events happening at the Affordable Housing Week put on by North Urban Human Services Alliance (NUSHA) and the Housing Development Consortium.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Brinson and Commission Mosier reported they have not been getting the Planning Commission group emails. Ms. Hoekzema indicated she would take care of it.

NEW BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Staff reviewed the agenda for the next meeting which is scheduled for May 19.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Pam Sager
Chair, Planning Commission

Carla Hoekzema
Clerk, Planning Commission