

**POLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 26, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.  
POLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
850 MAIN STREET  
DALLAS, OREGON**

The following are the minutes of the Polk County Planning Commission meeting held on October 26, 2016 in Dallas, Oregon:

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTE OF ATTENDANCE**

Michael Schilling called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:02 P.M. and attendance was noted.

**Present:** Michael Schilling, Lynda Agen, Bill Farmer, Lee Herzberg, Paul Johnson, and Scott Olson

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Austin McGuigan, Mark Bernard, Cole Steckley, and Morgan Smith.

**2. MINUTES OF OCTOBER 4, 2016**

Lee Herzberg made a motion to adopt the minutes of the October 4, 2016 Planning Commission meeting. Second by Shawn Hussey. Motion passed with no dissent.

**3. MINUTES OF OCTOBER 12, 2016**

Shawn Hussey made a motion to adopt the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Joint Public Hearing. Second by Lee Herzberg. Motion passed with no dissent.

**4. CONSIDER NEW TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE AND DELIBERATE ON LA 16-02**

Mark Bernard gives a summary of the proposal set forth by Legislative Amendment (LA) 16-02 and briefs those in attendance of the recent events that have taken place leading up to the October 26, 2016 meeting.

Planning Staff provides any last minute testimony related to LA 16-02 and updates the Planning Commission of any issues or concerns identified by the testimony that has been submitted up to this point. All testimony is available in the record.

Austin McGuigan provides background information regarding recent testimony provided by E.M. Easterly addressing the Greenway Goal since it directly addresses the review and decision criteria that Polk County is responsible for. McGuigan states that planning staff determined that the greenway is not within Polk County's jurisdiction at the proposed location for the Urban Growth Boundary expansion, referencing the maps included with the testimony and the official maps from the time of the greenway adoption.

Michael Schilling asks if the Planning Commission has any questions for planning staff.

Bill farmer asks if a full copy of E.M. Easterly's testimony was provided due to an abrupt ending to the document.

McGuigan confirms the copy provided to the Planning Commission is the exact copy planning staff received.

Michael Schilling asks if there is a motion for recommendation to the Polk County Board of Commissioners.

Scott Olson goes on record as having a potential conflict because his home is near the site of the proposed urban growth boundary expansion.

Lee Herzberg motions to forward recommendation to the Polk County Board of Commissioners as written by planning staff for LA 16-02.

Lynda Agen seconds the motion.

Bill Farmer asks whether the proposed route for Wallace Marine Drive would require the urban growth boundary expansion even if the proposed bridge wasn't constructed.

McGuigan states that there is an argument as to whether there is possible route in state statutes that would allow portions of Marine Drive to be constructed outside of city limits. He voices the two main concerns with this option are having a road in county jurisdiction outside the urban growth boundary that would be constructed and maintained to urban requirements and access would have to be limited in the portions outside the urban growth boundary due to county regulations.

Julie Warnecke, City of Salem Transportation Planning Manager, clarifies that ever since the adoption of Marine Drive into the City of Salem's transportation system plan it has been understood that the City of Salem would either have to take a Goal Exception or adjust the Urban Growth Boundary to include the area. Warnecke states since the road is being constructed for urban purposes and development it made the most sense to expand the urban growth boundary so the road would be included in an urban area.

Schilling asks if there is anything else the Planning Commission would like to discuss.

Bill Farmer states he would have liked to have more time to review submitted reports and testimony regarding the proposal.

Schilling asks for all in favor of the motion. Michael Schilling, Lynda Agen, Lee Herzberg, Paul Johnson, Scott Olson, and Shawn Hussey respond.

Schilling asks for those opposed to the motion. Bill Farmer states opposition.

Motion is passed with one nay.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Schilling asks for communications from the public on items that are not on the agenda.

None are presented.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM PLANNING COMMISSION**

Schilling asks if there is any further communications from Planning Commission.

None are presented.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM PLANNING STAFF**

Schilling asks if there is any further communications from Planning Staff.

None are presented.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Schilling adjourned the meeting at 6:25 P.M.