

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Planning Commission Regular Meeting

January 14, 2025

6:00 PM – 7:38 PM

Please refer to the video recording of the Planning Commission meeting for in-depth information about these action meeting minutes. Meeting materials, meeting agenda, and referenced video recording of this meeting can be viewed at the Planning Commission Schedule and Agenda page: <https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningCommission/PCminutes.htm>

Summary of Meeting

Roll Call

Present: Tim Raschko, (Chair), Tammy Candler, (Vice Chair), Vincent Henley, Joe Woodmansee, Angela Day, Kiera Wright, Amy Hughes

Staff: Tara Satushek, Senior Planner
Monica Negrila, Skagit County Director of Strategic Initiatives
George Kosovich, Skagit County Public Health Community Services Division Manager

Consultants: Ryan Walters, Ryan Walters Law

The Planning Commission Chair Tim Raschko called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Raschko asked if there was approval for the December 10, 2024, minutes.

Commissioner Henley moved to approve the minutes.

Commissioner Day seconded.

Vote: Support- 7, Oppose- 0, Abstain- 0. The motion carried.

Work Session – [Reorganization of Title 14 to Improve Residential Permitting](#)

Consultant Ryan Walters provided a presentation of the proposed reorganization of county code to improve residential permitting.

Work Session – [North Star Collaborative Overview and Background](#)

Monica Negrila, Skagit County Director of Strategic Initiatives, and George Kosovich, Skagit County Public Health Community Services Division Manager, provided a presentation about North Star's efforts in addressing housing affordability. [North Star](#) is a public-private partnership uniting governments, housing and health providers, and first responders to provide effective care and housing for neighbors experiencing chronic homelessness in Skagit County Presentation with focus on North Star's efforts in addressing housing affordability.

Public Remarks

Chair Raschko opened the public remarks section of the meeting and asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to address the Commission. There were no members of the public who wished to provide public comments.

Nomination and Election of Officers

Chair Raschko asked if there was nomination and election of officers.

Commissioner Day nominated Commissioner Raschko as Planning Commission Chair.

Commissioner Hughes seconded.

Commissioner Woodmansee nominated Commissioner Candler as Planning Commission Vice-Chair.

Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: Support- 7, Oppose- 0, Abstain- 0. The motion carried.

Department Updates

The Board of County Commissioners approved extension of the existing agritourism moratorium by [Ordinance #O20250001](#). Next scheduled meeting is on February 11th and will be a work session about the existing conditions data summary of comprehensive plan elements, overview of climate vulnerability assessment and an update to community engagement,

Planning Commissioner Comments and Announcements

Planning Commissioner requested that the Department look into rescheduling the deliberations for the periodic comprehensive plan periodic update draft.

Adjourned at 7:38 PM

[A full transcript of the discussion is available on our website:](#)

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Tim Raschko, Planning Commission Chair

Date

Jack Moore, Secretary

Date