



# Meeting Minutes - Draft

## Land Use & Environment Committee

City Hall  
601 4th Avenue E  
Olympia, WA 98501  
Information: 360.753.8244

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**Thursday, August 20, 2020**

**5:00 PM**

**Via zoom or telephone**

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**Register to attend:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_hAY\\_RlqWTKm2STUdREuppg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hAY_RlqWTKm2STUdREuppg)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Gilman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 3 - Chair Clark Gilman, Committee member Dani Madrone and Committee member Jessica Bateman

**2.A OTHERS PRESENT**

Community Planning and Development Staff:  
Director Leonard Bauer  
Economic Development Director Mike Reid  
Historic Preservation Officer Marygrace Goddu

Public Works Staff:  
Water Resource Director Eric Christensen

Pioneer Technologies (City consultant) Joel Hecker

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**The agenda was approved.**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chris van Daalen spoke.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**5.A** [20-0644](#) Approval of July 16, 2020 Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

**The minutes were approved.**

**6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**6.A**     [20-0640](#)            Sea Level Rise Response Implementation Briefing

Mr. Christensen gave a briefing on the Sea Level Rise (SLR) Plan. He also presented several questions regarding a governance structure for the SLR partnership between the City of Olympia, Port of Olympia, and LOTT, and potentially other future partners to the committee.

**The discussion was completed.**

**6.B**     [20-0641](#)            Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Grant project briefing

Mr. Reid and Mr. Hecker gave a presentation on the Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Grant Project. Mr. Hecker reviewed the purpose of the \$600,000 EPA grant (what it can and cannot be used for), public open house, and properties that have been assisted under the grant to date.

**The discussion was completed.**

**6.C**     [20-0629](#)            Downtown Creative District Development Code Amendment

Ms. Goddu provided an overview of the Downtown Creative District and underscored the need for aligning development regulations with the intent of that District to encourage adaptive reuse of historic buildings. Committee comments supported continuing with a broad definition of creative industries to be permitted throughout the creative district.

**The discussion was completed.**

**7.        REPORTS AND UPDATES**

Mr. Bauer reported on the upcoming Planning Commission hearings on the Capital Facilities Plan and Housing Options ordinance. He noted topics for the next meeting include briefings on the Water System Risk and Resiliency Plan and Thurston Regional Climate Action Plan.

Committee member Madrone reported on a recent meeting with Thurston Conservation District regarding urban farmland.

The Committee discussed residential tenant-related actions and timing of consideration by Council. The Committee agreed to add to their September meeting provisions directly related to the COVID pandemic and other items to be scheduled for a more robust public conversation.

**8.        ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.