



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Land Use & Environment Committee

City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
Olympia, WA 98501

Information: 360.753.8244

Monday, August 12, 2019

1:00 PM

Council Chambers

**Televised Special Meeting
Potential Quorum of the Olympia City Council**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gilman called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmember Jones attended via teleconference.

Present: 3 - Chair Clark Gilman, Committee member Nathaniel Jones and
Committee member Lisa Parshley

2.A OTHERS PRESENT

Mayor Cheryl Selby
City Attorney Mark Barber

City of Olympia Community Planning and Development Staff:

Director Keith Stahley
Deputy Director Leonard Bauer
Principal Planner Tim Smith
Strategic Projects Manager Amy Buckler
Associate Line of Business Director Mike Reid
Home Fund Manager Cary Retlin
Homeless Response Coordinator Colin DeForrest

City of Olympia Public Works Staff:

City Engineer Fran Eide
Water Resources Director Eric Christensen
Assistant City Engineer Steve Sperr
Project Engineer David Smith

City of Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation staff:

Parks Planning and Design Manager Laura Keehan

Panelists:

Trudy Soucoup from Homes First

Robin Amandon from Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI)
Carly Cogan from Habitat for Humanity
Gab Ash from Catholic Community Services (CCS)
Jaycie Osterberg from Quixote Village
Angelia Sexsmith from Vine Street
Glenn Wells from Glenn Wells Architect

3. COMMITTEE SESSIONS

3.A [19-0701](#) Session One - Supporting Low Income and Supportive Housing Production

Chair Gilman provided an overview of the meeting. Mr. Bauer shared an overview of the meeting rules and how it will be facilitated. Mr. Retlin reviewed a PowerPoint presentation.

The following questions were posed to the panel:

- How do we get more units for people making less than 80% of Area Median Income?
- How can Olympia deploy its limited resources?
- Are the methods the City using effective? What else should the City be doing?
- What should the City prioritize?

The following people spoke:

Mayor Selby, Chair Gilman, Councilmember Jones and Parshley, Trudy Soucoup, Carly Cogan, Robin Amadon, Jaycie Osterberg and Gab Ash.

The discussion was completed.

3.B [19-0717](#) Session Two - Encouraging Affordable Housing Production and Residential Construction

Mr. Bauer provided an overview of the context and content for the meeting and a PowerPoint presentation.

The following questions were posed to the panel:

- How do we get more units for first time homebuyers?
- Given the City's limited scope of influence, what can the city do support affordable housing production?
- What else have you used elsewhere and what can we transfer to Olympia?
- How should resources in the City be prioritized to get more units?

The following people spoke:

Mayor Selby, Chair Gilman, Councilmember Jones and Parshley, Glenn Wells, Carly

Cogan and Angelia Sexsmith.

The discussion was completed.

4. REPORTS AND UPDATES - None

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.