

**CITY OF OLYMPIA
JOINT MEETING OF THE
LAND USE AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE AND THE
OLYMPIA PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES
April 14, 2012**

Members Present: Steve Langer, Chair; Julie Hankins and Jeannine Roe

Staff Present: Steve Hall, Keith Stahley, Todd Stamm, Amy Buckler and Stacey Ray

Facilitators: Kendra Dahlen and Faith Trimble of FLT Consulting, Inc.

Location: LOTT Board Room

The Committee met in joint session with the Olympia Planning Commission at the Commission's annual retreat. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

I. Planning Commission Annual Retreat

Chair Langer presented a letter, dated May 14, 2012, from Mayor Buxbaum to the Commission and made opening remarks on behalf of the Committee. Planning Commission officers each provided an introductory overview of the experience of being a Planning Commission member. FLT Consulting facilitated "break-out" group discussions. Each Committee member participated in a different small group. These discussions focused on the roles and responsibilities of the Planning Commission, individual Commission members, City staff, and the City Council. These discussions were followed by reports from each group. (Because other facilitated discussions occurred after the Committee concluded its participation, notes of the discussions are being compiled as part of the Commission meeting record.)

Chair Langer closed the Committee meeting by thanking the Commission members for the opportunity to participate in the Commission's retreat, and reaffirming the importance of and appreciation for the work done by the Planning Commission.

The Committee meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m. The Commission meeting, without Land Use and Environment Committee participation, continued in the afternoon consistent with the agenda.