



Meeting Minutes

Land Use & Environment Committee

City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
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Thursday, September 19, 2019

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gilman called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 2 - Chair Clark Gilman and Committee member Lisa Parshley

Excused: 1 - Committee member Nathaniel Jones

2.A OTHERS PRESENT

City of Olympia Community Planning and Development staff:
Deputy Director Leonard Bauer
Economic Development Director Mike Reid
Strategic Projects Manager Amy Buckler
Senior Planner Stacey Ray

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke: Sarah Stockholm and Larry Dzieza.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 5.A** [19-0831](#) Approval of July 18, 2019 Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

- 5.B** [19-0832](#) Approval of August 12, 2019 Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- 6.A** [19-0815](#) Homeless Response Plan Status Report

Ms. Buckler and Ms. Ray gave a briefing on the status of the homeless response planning process.

The information was received.

- 6.B** [19-0822](#) Boulevard Road Surplus Property Draft Request for Qualifications Recommendation

Mr. Reid presented a draft Request for Qualifications for 3900 Boulevard Road.

The draft Request for Qualifications for 3900 Boulevard Road was accepted and forwarded to the City Council for consideration.

- 6.C** [19-0817](#) Housing Affordability Work Sessions Follow-up Discussion

Mr. Bauer presented a briefing on local and regional policies.

Staff was directed to:

- Pursue further ways Olympia can support the production of workforce single family and multi-family housing for households at or above 80 percent of Area Median Income (AMI).
- Bring forward proposals for Multi-Family Tax Exemption and renter protection.
- Increase outreach and education on tools available to incentivize affordable housing.

The discussion was completed.

7. REPORTS AND UPDATES

Mr. Bauer provided the following updates:

Short-Term Rentals - Engage Olympia web page was up and running.
Grant application to WA Dept of Commerce for Housing Action Plan to be submitted jointly with Cities of Tumwater and Lacey by Sept 30. Proposal is to contract with Thurston Regional Planning Council to lead the data collection and public outreach portions of the work.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.