



## City Council

### Olympia Hearing Examiner Briefing

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**Title**

Olympia Hearing Examiner Briefing

**Recommended Action**

**Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to committee.

**City Manager Recommendation:**

Receive briefing from Olympia Hearing Examiner Mark Scheibmeir. Briefing only; no action requested.

**Report**

**Issue:**

Whether to receive briefing from Olympia Hearing Examiner Mark Scheibmeir.

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**Presenter(s):**

Tim Smith, Planning & Engineering Manager  
Mark Scheibmeir, Olympia Hearing Examiner

**Background and Analysis:**

The position of Hearing Examiner is established in Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Chapter 18.82. The purpose of this Chapter, as stated in OMC 18.82.020, is to:

- A. Separate the land use regulatory function from the land use planning process.
- B. Ensure procedural due process and appearance of fairness in land use regulatory hearings and decisions.
- C. Provide an efficient and effective land use regulatory system which integrates the public hearing and decision-making processes for land use matters.
- D. Provide for consistency and predictability in land use decision making and the application of policies and regulations adopted by the City.
- E. Establish clear and understandable rules governing the land use decision-making process.

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Olympia Hearing Examiner Mark Scheibmeir will provide an overview of the hearing examiner role and responsibilities, and recent activity.

**Attachments:**

None