



CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
Planning Commission MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2018

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jerry Bush	Commissioner	Present	
Jason Carnell	Chair	Present	
Stan Okinaka	Commissioner	Absent	
Victoria Haugen	Commissioner	Absent	
Paul Young	Commissioner	Present	
Jen Lindsay	Commissioner	Present	
Patrick Flynn	Commissioner	Present	

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from Wednesday, 2/7/18 Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes.

BUSINESS

1. Downtown Arts Quarter - [6:32 PM](#)

The purpose of the proposed Downtown Arts Quarter is to enhance Ridgefield's core by providing opportunities for visible public art and unique design features that reflect the character of the city and build community. The Downtown Arts Quarter will encourage public art, created with high-quality materials by local artists, that activates public space for the enjoyment of residents and visitors.

The proposed location of the Downtown Arts Quarter and desired design features are the result of discussions among City staff, elected officials, the Ridgefield Art Association, local business owners, and Ridgefield residents.

This information will be presented again to gather input before drafting a code to present to the Planning Commission in a public hearing. Planning Commission will then provide their recommendation to City Council.

The Commissioners had questions about:

- How will it be financed? Will the City seek out sponsorship to support this program?
- What is the approval process? Is the Planning Commission involved with these decisions?
- What is the appeal process?
- How will maintenance be handled, particularly with murals, weather issues?
- Will the code require art to be included in certain spaces in town?
- Will there be incentives for businesses or developers?

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

STAFF REPORTS - [6:57 PM](#)

Community Development Director, Jeff Niten -

The new grocery store announcement was made last week. There are some traffic issues; the City will be putting together a comprehensive plan to tell people where the impacted roads are.

The Mixed Use Development Project going in near the grocery store and will tie the retail area, community park, and apartments together as an integrated community.

The 35th roundabout should be done in a month. Due to weather requirements, it can't be paved until after 4/1.

Vancouver Clinic is moving forward with Site Plan approval, should be started this year.

FROM THE COMMISSION - [7:04 PM](#)

Commissioner Lindsay - attended both City Council meetings last month.

Commissioner Flynn - attended the Ridgefield Business Association.

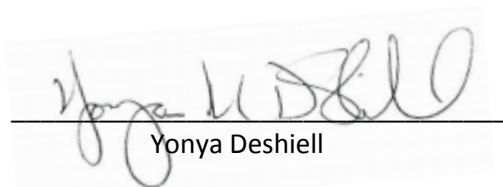
Commissioner Bush - no updates

Commissioner Young - no updates

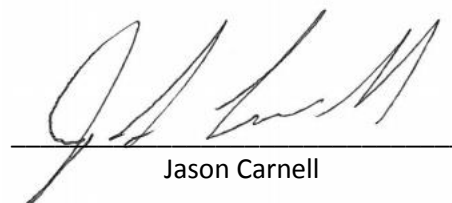
Commissioner Carnell - The City has done a good job of explaining the rate of mixed use growth and addressing citizens' concerns.

Community Development Director Jeff Niten - Short Course on Local Planning is coming up on March 26th.

ADJOURN - [7:09 PM](#)



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Jason Carnell