



Planning Commission

Notice: This meeting will be recorded.

Starting at 7 p.m.

October 16, 2023

I. Call to Order

I. Intro

- ▶ The role of the PC is to hold workshops to review and make recommendations to the City Council on all manner of policy and legislative activities.
- ▶ In some cases we act as a quasi-judicial board for land use cases which can then be appealed to either the Council, the hearings examiner, or court.

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Agenda

- ▶ I. Call to Order
- ▶ II. Citizen Communication for items not on the agenda
- ▶ III. Agenda Approval
- ▶ IV. Consent Items (Minutes approval)
- ▶ V. Public Hearing
 - Marijuana Retail Sales

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II. Roll Call

- ▶ **Planning Commissioners**
 - Tel Jensen (Chair)
 - Bryan Mattson (Vice Chair)
 - Shawna Gawthorne
 - Sharon Watt
 - Robin Zorich

- ▶ **Staff**
 - Travis Goddard, Community Development Director
 - Elissa Brentano, Permit Technician

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III. Citizen Communication

- ▶ **For items not on the agenda.**

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IV. Agenda Approval

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V. Consent Items

- ▶ Approval of November Minutes

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Public Hearing

Marijuana Retail Sales

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Retail Sales of Marijuana

- ▶ **Paradigm LLC has applied for a Zoning Text Amendment**
 - Asking the City to reconsider its prohibition.
 - Paradigm would like the City to add the retail sales of marijuana to the list of permitted uses in the Commercial and Industrial zones.

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Retail Sales of Marijuana

▶ WMC 17.50 – Recreational Marijuana (Ord 1440 in 2014)

- Retail Sales **PROHIBITED**
- Production
- Processing **Permitted in Industrial zones WEST of the train tracks.** (provided WMC 17.50 can be met)

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Retail Sales of Marijuana

▶ The City last considered retail sales in 2019

- Ordinance 1464 was rejected in October 2019
 - The council added retail sales to the prohibited use list
- Ordinance 1464 was brought to the PC in February of 2023
 - The PC recommended approval by a vote of 2-1
- The ordinance was rejected by the Council at their March 21st, 2022 regular council meeting (**Ordinance was renumbered to 1508**)

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Ordinance 1547 (if it moves forward)

- ▶ Ordinance language has not been drafted yet but as noted in the staff report Findings 7 and 8...
- ▶ For any zone where the amendment is approved, the ordinance would strike “Marijuana Retailer” from the prohibited list and add it to the list of permitted uses.
- ▶ **Staff recommendation: None**

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VIII. Staff Reports

Planner vacancy update

- Job is advertised until November 10th, 2023

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