

CITY OF BLAINE
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
Thursday, April 26, 2018
7:00 PM
Calvin Armerding - Chair

A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

B. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Steve Hrutfiord, Calvin Armerding, Sue Sturgill, Richard May

ABSENT: John LeBrun, Kevin Owens

STAFF: Community Development Director, Michael Jones
Community Planner I, Madeline Ottley

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STURGILL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MAY, TO EXCUSE COMMISSIONERS OWENS AND LEBRUN, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

C. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

Chairperson Armerding read the rules for a public hearing

Chand Accessory Dwelling Unit

Ms. Ottley presented the application information, procedural information, and the analysis in the staff report. She explained the history of ADU approval as a conditional use in the Residential Low Density zoning district. Staff recommends conditional approval.

Chairperson Armerding asked for public comment:

Steve Bremer - 581 10th Street – Inquired about access and expressed his concern about number of family members in home.

Gary Clausen - 580 8th Street – Expressed his support for the proposal, but was concerned about the sewer easement.

Dipakh Chand – Applicant – Stated that the home would be about 4,252 square feet in size, 5,245 square feet with porches. Mr. Chand noted the structure was permitted by Bill Bullock to be four feet away from sewer on north side because no building is located on the south side.

Chairperson Armerding closed the public hearing

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STURGILL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HRUTFIORD, TO APPROVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER 2018017, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

Downtown Design Standards Review

Mr. Jones presented the finalized downtown design standards, and highlighted revisions made based on Planning Commission and staff comments regarding uses, the boardwalk, and Wharf District.

The Commission and staff held a discussion regarding mail handling facilities within the subzones and proposed location of boardwalk, and eliminating design standards for the Wharf District.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STURGILL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MAY, TO APPROVE THE UPDATED DOWNTOWN DESIGN STANDARDS, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

E. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Mr. Jones stated the next Planning Commission meeting may be canceled.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER STURGILL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HRUTFIORD, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 12, 2018, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0).

G. ADJOURNMENT 8:10 PM

Calvin Armerding, Chair

Michael Jones, Staff

Planning Commission minutes of April 26, 2018 to be approved at the May 24, 2018
Planning Commission meeting.