



Land Use & Economic Development Committee

Tuesday, August 4, 2020
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
(MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM)

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Councilmember Champion (Committee Chair), Councilmember Marine; Council Vice President Kneller

Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Kandace Barnes
Mayor Gregerson
City Administrator Powers
Community Development Director Osaki

1. Economic Recovery

Kandace Barnes, Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce President and CEO, briefed the Land Use & Economic Development (LU&ED) Committee on her observations of what businesses are experiencing at this point in time. She mentioned the impact of the pandemic has not hit all businesses equitably. Housing and home improvement generally is faring well, but the hospitality industry has been particularly adversely impacted.

Discussion ensued about how the City might be able to assist businesses and business recovery in the short term and long term. It was suggested that the City coordinate and host small business Zoom meetings, by business sector, to promote dialogue and idea sharing amongst businesses. There was also discussion about surveys as well as creating a City based economic recovery task force.

Mayor Gregerson indicated that she would follow up with Chamber President and CEO Barnes regarding a survey and concepts for small business roundtable Zoom meetings.

2. Community Development Department Update

The LU&ED Committee was updated on the status of various Department activities including:

- Development Projects - The status of Courtyard Townhomes (under construction), Saratoga Heights (under construction), Nelson 43 industrial building (in permitting) and several single family residences (in permitting) was summarized.
- Hawthorne Hall Structural Assessment - The assessment was delayed due to the pandemic, but is now currently in progress and is nearing completion. The assessment is presently scheduled for discussion at the City Council's September 14, 2020 work session.
- Planning Commission Work Plan (for the remainder of 2020) - After not meeting for several months due to the pandemic, the Planning Commission began meeting again in June 2020. Work for the balance of 2020 will focus on

floodplain regulations, the housing action plan, 2019 docket items, the 2020 docket and the sign code. The Planning Commission Chair will present the annual Planning Commission mid-year report to the City Council on September 8, 2020.

- Housing Action Plan (HAP) - The consultant is currently preparing social media and communication information, including developing a City of Mukilteo HAP website page. Stakeholder interviews, to include councilmembers, are planned in the next few weeks.

Other

The LU&ED Committee discussed an upcoming meeting scheduled between City officials and the Tulalip Tribes Board of Directors.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 from 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM via Zoom.

September Agenda Items

- Economic Recovery (on-going Agenda item per LU&ED Committee Request)