

Mason County Historic Preservation Commission

Special Meeting

June 27, 2016

Grant School

151 East Community Club Road

Shelton, WA 98584

Members Present: Rick Calvin, Marty Harrell, David Corliss, Stephanie Neil, Leslie “Butch” Carter, Steve Rose.

Excused absence: Ed Huber

**I. Call to Order**

Roll Call – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Notes – Stephanie Neil agreed to take notes.

**II. New Business – Review and approve Mason County Historic Preservation Commission inputs for the Mason County Comprehensive Plan.**

There was a brief discussion of the comprehensive plan process. The goal of this meeting is to insert or make any needed changes to historic preservation language within the comprehensive plan. Prior to our meeting the Mason County staff have made changes to the document marked in red and Rick Calvin made changes marked in green. Rick Calvin plans on taking the changes we agree on at this meeting and inserting them into the document to deliver to Mason County staff. The next Planning Meeting will be July 11.

The Glossary was the first section discussed. Traditional Cultural Landscape was added. The Commission discussed the definition and decided to keep it short “landscapes that have been affected, influenced, or shaped by human involvement.” Traditional Cultural Place was also added with the definition “is a property, a place, that is eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, state or local register because of its association with cultural practices and beliefs that are (1) rooted in the history of a community, and (2) are important to maintain the continuity of that community’s traditional beliefs and practices.

Chapter 1 Introduction was discussed. Rick Calvin added 11. Historic Preservation under Countywide Planning Policies, Overview. The Commission agreed.

Chapter 2 Planning Goals was discussed. The Commission agreed to add 4.10 “Encourage the preservation of existing historic structures for use or conversion to single or multi-family houses.” The Commission also agreed to add under bullet 9.1 “traditional cultural places or landscapes”. Under Section 13 Historic Preservation the commission agreed to add under 13.1 “created by ordinance Title 17 Chapter 17.40

Mason County Code” and also add 13.3 “Integrate historic preservation and traditional cultural places and landscapes into land use decision-making processes.”

Plan Objectives was discussed. The Commission agreed to add language to Plan Objectives 3. Maintain Rural Lifestyle “New development should consider on site views of trees and water, the traditional cultural landscapes, and use the natural environment to buffer/screen one home or development from another.

Table II-4: GMA Policy Categories, the commission agreed to add Historic Preservation.

Policies, Section 10 Historic Preservation was discussed. In 10.5 change should to must. In 10.6 add “Develop a comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan for Mason County to establish a clear understanding of historic resources and recommendations for policies for land use development and protection of historic resources.

David Corliss made a motion to accept the changes as discussed and agreed open as per the meeting minute notes. Marty Harrell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Marty Harrell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36. Leslie Carter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.