



**City of Seattle
Seattle Planning Commission**

Amalia Leighton, Chair
Vanessa Murdock, Executive Director

**SEATTLE PLANNING COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 12, 2015
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES**

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Michael Austin, Catherine Benotto, David Cutler, Grace Kim, Jeanne Krikawa, Amalia Leighton, Kara Martin, Marj Press, Matt Roewe, David Shelton, Lauren Squires, Patti Wilma

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Luis Borrero, Brad Khouri, Tim Parham

COMMISSION STAFF

Jesseca Brand - Policy Analyst, Diana Canzoneri - Demographer, Vanessa Murdock - Executive Director

IN ATTENDANCE

Cindi Barker, Alex Zimmerman, Anika (unknown last name), Lish Whitson (Council Central Staff)

Please Note: Seattle Planning Commission meeting minutes are not an exact transcript but instead represent key points and the basis of the discussion.

CALL TO ORDER

- **Chair's Report & Minutes Approval**
 - Chair Amalia Leighton

Chair Leighton called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Action: Commissioner Marj Press moved to approve the January 22, 2015 minutes. Commissioner Michael Austin seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Chair Leighton noted upcoming Commission committee meetings.

Chair Leighton introduced the nominations for co-chair of Land Use and Transportation Committee and Housing and Neighborhoods Committee.

Action: Commissioner Marj Press moved to appoint Commissioner David Shelton as co-chair for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, currently vacant. Commissioner Dave Cutler seconded. The motion was approved.

Action: Commissioner Michael Austin moved to appoint Commissioner Kara Martin as co-chair for the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee, currently vacant. Commissioner Grace Kim seconded. The motion was approved.

Commissioner Leighton asked Commissioner David Shelton to report on the recent briefing by Department of Transportation staff to the Land Use and Transportation co-chairs on the new Move Seattle initiative.

- Move Seattle is a 10 year strategic plan for the Seattle Department of Transportation.
- Move Seattle pulls together information from the model plans and priority projects that have been identified within these plans.
- Emphasize getting around as well as getting to. Access within neighborhoods and mobility to and from neighborhoods.

Commissioner Comments and Questions

Commissioners expressed interest in better understanding how Move Seattle would interact with the modal plans as well as the Comprehensive Plan. They stated the need for the Comprehensive Plan to drive planning and investment at the high level and the Move Seattle, the strategic plan, to drive the modal plans.

Commissioners expressed that they were pleased to see that SDOT planning and project implementation were working more collaboratively. They shared their concern that the collaborative working relationship did not go far enough. For example, when there is a street repair does SDOT reach out to other departments to coordinate updates that could take place in parallel?

Commissioners expressed their interest in better understanding how funding fits within Move Seattle as well as how the Freight Master Plan which is not yet finished will be incorporated into the strategic plan.

Briefing: 2015 Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendments

- SPC staff

If you would like to view the power point presentation on the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Amendments, it is included in the supporting documents found in the minute's section of our website.

Commissioner Comments and Questions

Commissioners were interested in further exploring the proposed Urban Village boundary changes and whether or not there is a more comprehensive plan for these types of changes to be undertaken in the major update in 2016.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alex Zimmerman is running for City Council position 8. He passed out for the Commissioners his plan for the City. He will continue to attend the Commission meetings and looks forward to an opportunity to engage on his ideas.

Cindi Barker spoke up in support of the West Seattle Church of the Nazarene amendment and the new policy language proposed for the Morgan Junction neighborhood plan. She would welcome a dialogue if the

Commission has concerns with the language and informed the Commission of the outreach required to change language in the Neighborhood Plan and that she felt they had adequately met the requirements.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Leighton adjourned the meeting at 5:30 pm.