



# Community Development Department

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## Kelso Planning Commission Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 9, 2018 6:00 pm

**Commissioners Present:** Gary Schimmel, Star Garcia, Daniel Graves, Ann Hight,  
**Commissioners Absent:** Charles Hendrickson

**Staff Present:** Tammy Baraconi, Planning Manager  
Amber Jacobs, Department Assistant.

1 **Call to Order: 6:00 PM**

2 Chairman Schimmel called the meeting to order and roll call was taken.

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5 **Approve Minutes:**

6 Upon motion by Commissioner Graves, seconded by Commissioner Garcia, 'Approve the minutes of the  
7 September 11, 2018, Regular Meeting'. Motion passed, all voting yes.

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10 **Citizen Business:**

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14 **Commission Business:**

15 Planning Manager Baraconi informed the commission that Commissioner Hendrickson will be resigning as he is  
16 moving out of the city limits. Commissioner Hight's term is ending in November and is invited to reapply for  
17 another term.

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20 **Adjournment:**

21 There being no further business, Commissioner Schimmel adjourned the meeting at 6:02 PM.

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24 **Public Workshop:**

25 Planning Manager Baraconi presented the two maps from Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Government  
26 (CWCOG) reflecting the slopes within the area, one with the Wegmann Study overlay.

27 She also presented the current code and the proposed code showing what types of studies are required at different  
28 slope percentages.

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30 The goal is to show where building is permissible without a report, where a geological reconnaissance study is  
31 needed, where a Geotech report is required, or if building is not permitted in a certain area. She further explained  
32 that this ordinance increases public safety and reduces the risk of taxpayer financial burden if there is a slide.

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34 The Commission is to review and email comments to Tammy before the next meeting. There will be one more  
35 workshop and then a hearing in December. It will be taken to City Council after the first of the year.

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37 Planning Manager Baraconi updated the Commission on the Marijuana Ordinance. It was approved on the first  
38 reading. The second reading will be at the next council meeting.

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41 **Adjournment:**

42 There being no further business, Commissioner Schimmel adjourned the meeting at 6:16 PM.

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Gary Schimmel, Planning Commission Chair

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Respectfully submitted: Amber Jacobs, Department Assistant