

City of West Richland
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2023
**Meeting was held in person and available by zoom*

- 1. Call to order / attendance:** Chair C. Utecht called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Members Present:

Chad Utecht, Chair
Dan O’Neill, Vice Chair
Nancy Aldrich, Commissioner
Michael Peterson, Commissioner
Colton Brady, Commissioner

Members Absent:

Vacant
Jared Retter, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Eric Mendenhall, Community Development Director
Elisha Ransom, Planner
Tobie, Staff Recorder
Stephanie Haug, City Clerk

Commissioner M. Peterson made a motion to excuse Commissioner J. Retter. Commissioner N. Aldrich seconded, and it carried unanimously.

- 2. Approval of the Agenda:**

Commissioner M. Peterson moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner, C. Brady, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 3. Approval of the minutes of July 13, 2023:**

Commissioner M. Peterson moved to approve the July 13th, 2023, minutes. Commissioner D. O’Neill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 4. Old Business: None**

- 5. New Business:**

A: Public Hearing to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Chair C. Utecht opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 pm.

Community Development Director E. Mendenhall gave a presentation on Public Hearing to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sale in Light Industrial zone.

Dan Richie 508 Austin Drive spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Cody Lewis 5803 Glenbrook Loop spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Robin Brown 3821 Mountain Meadow Ct spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Jenny Page 4614 Snowy Owl Ct spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Lynae Smart 400 S. 54th Ave. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Keri Smart 400 S 54th Ave spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Jon Page 4614 Snowy Owl Ct. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Robert Humpherys 4705 Collins Rd. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Kevin Shoemaker 1708 Elmwood Ave. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Tracy Troutman 3402 Northlake Drive spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Ken Weaver 11th Ave Yakima spoke in favor to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Christina Palmer 3600 S. Highlands Blvd. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Rob Palmer 3600 S. Highlands Blvd. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Debra Wells 3422 Pologreens Ave. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Pat Dobson 610 S 54th Ave. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Jared Dobson 3826 Mountain Meadows Ct. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Peggy Panisko 901 Bombing Range Rd spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Jim Rock 658 Thebes St spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Rob Anderson 2014 Hawk Ct. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Paul Brice 8507 104 St Lakewood spoke in favor to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Kylie Peel 3000 South Highlands Blvd. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Clifton Cahoon 3150 Clark Ct. spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Terry Davies 3706 S. Lake Drive spoke in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Ruth Bloom 5900 Everett St. spoke via zoom in opposition to consider Text Amendment to allow Recreational Marijuana Retail Sales in the Light Industrial zone.

Chair. C Utecht closed the Public Hearing at 7:17 p.m.

Commissioner N. Aldrich made a motion to postpone the decision. She asked that more information be provided and brought to the next meeting before a motion is made. Commissioner D. O'Neil seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6. Announcements, Reports and Comments:

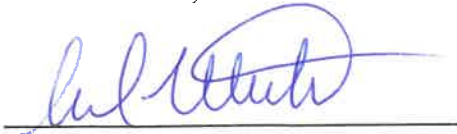
Community Development Director E. Mendenhall announced an upcoming Special Meeting August 31st, 2023.

Commissioner E. Utecht announced a vacant seat on the Planning Commission and encouraged citizens to apply.

7. Upcoming Meetings and Events: Special Meeting August 31st, 2023, and regular Planning Commission meeting, September 14th, 2023

8. Adjourn: 7:26 pm.

Chad Utecht, Chair



Jessica Bates, Staff Recorder
