

## City of Oregon Planning Commission Meeting

The Planning Commission met Tuesday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 5:30 pm.

**Members Present:** Roger Cain, Randy Cropp, Jeff Hallock, Liz Hiemstra, Mark Herman, Rick Ryland, and Karly Spell.

**Also, Present:** City Manager Darin DeHaan, City Clerk Cheryl Hilton, and Mayor Ken Williams.

Chairman Mark Herman called the meeting to order.

Rick Ryland moved to approve January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, minutes, Seconded by Roger Cain.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Mark Herman moved to set a public hearing date of June 17<sup>th</sup> to amend the zoning map for 307 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> street parcel #16-03-185-007, 309 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street parcel #16-03-185-008, and 311 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street parcel #16-03-185-009 from Industrial to Residential, Seconded by Liz Hiemstra.

**Discussion:** An error made on the zoning map shows the three parcels as industrial. A public hearing needs to be held to correctly identify them as residential.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Randy Cropp moved to set a public hearing date of June 17<sup>th</sup> to for a Variance request submitted by Eric Kingery – 100 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street parcel #16-04-296-04 – request to install an 8-foot fence around the residence to reduce traffic noise and increase privacy, Seconded by Jeff Hallock.

**Discussion:** The property is located along Rt.64 and has an existing six-foot fence. Affidavits have been received from all adjoining property owners and the city building inspector sees no issues with increasing the height of the fence to eight feet.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Randy Cropp moved to approve recommendation to the City Council Ordinance 2025-009 amending the Oregon City Code Title 26.16 Fences with the amendments as follows: heavy gauge fencing, wood on each side with a top rail, and eight foot spacing between posts, Seconded by Karly Spell.

**Discussion:** The city building inspector received a permit request from a resident to install a cattle fence around their property. The building inspector said other communities do not allow cattle fencing and is looking for more clarification within the ordinance. The City Council reviewed the ordinance and requested input from the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission discussed requesting the fence have a finished edge, top cap or deck railing, and heavy gauge wire be used.

Motion carried. No Nays.

A meeting has been scheduled with the Oregon Fire Department District to discuss the plans for

the building addition.

Roger Cain said he had contacted a county board member over a year ago to address the disrepair of the fence and property located at the Sheriff's Department on S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Mayor Ken Williams said the county must follow city code. The city code enforcement officer will follow up with the Sheriff's Department.

Rick Ryland said the lawn at a home by the Catholic Church has not been mowed and it looks like there is no activity there. The code enforcement officer will follow up.

Mayor Ken Williams thanked the committee for their assistance to the City Council.

Karly Spell moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 pm, Seconded by Liz Hiemstra.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Submitted by Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk