



**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
WHATCOM COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
May 25, 2023**

Public Hearing and Work Session

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1 **Call to Order**

2 The meeting was called to order by Whatcom County Planning Commission Chair,  
3 Kelvin Barton at 6:31 p.m.

4 **Roll Call**

5 **Present:** Kelvin Barton, Daniel Dahlquist, Atul Deshmane, Jim Hansen, Julie Jefferson,  
6 Dominic Mocerri, Scott Van Dalen

7 **Absent:** Kimberley Lund, Stephen Jackson

8 **Staff Present:** Cliff Strong, Steve Roberge, and Tammy Axlund

9 **Department Update**

10 Steve Roberge, Assistant Director of Planning and Development Services (PDS), stated  
11 that the next Planning Commission agenda topic is signs.

12 **Open Session Public Comment**

13 There was no public comment.

14 **Commissioner Comments**

15 Commissioner Deshmane mentioned that he filed to run for the County Council At-  
16 Large position.

17 **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

18 **Timestamp: 04:14**

19 **Commissioner Mocerri moved** to approve the meeting minutes from May 11, 2023.

20 **Commissioner Van Dalen seconded.**

21 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Barton, Dahlquist, Hansen, Jefferson, Mocerri, Van Dalen;**  
22 **Abstain-Deshmane (Ayes-6; Nays-0; Abstain-1). The motion carried.**

23 **Proposed Amendments to Whatcom County Code (WCC) Title 20 (Zoning)**  
24 **Regarding Home-Based Businesses**

25 **Timestamp: 05:06**

26 Cliff Strong, PDS Senior Planner provided an overview of the proposed amendments  
27 and then answered Commissioners' questions.

28 **a) Public Hearing for Proposed Amendments to WCC Title 20 (Zoning)**  
29 **Regarding Home-Based Businesses**

30 **Timestamp: 22:50**

31 Janet Wynne provided public comment.

32 **b) Work Session: Proposed Amendments to WCC Title 20 (Zoning) Regarding**  
33 **Home-Based Businesses**

34 **Timestamp: 27:44**

35 Mr. Strong responded to Commissioners' questions.



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1 **Timestamp: 29:59**

2 **Commissioner Van Dalen moved** to accept the proposed amendments to Whatcom  
3 *County Code Title 20 regarding home-based businesses, as well as the findings of fact.*

4 **Commissioner Deshmane seconded.**


5 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Barton, Dahlquist, Deshmane, Hansen, Jefferson, Mocerri,**  
6 **Van Dalen; (Ayes-7; Nays-0; Abstain-0). The motion carried.**

7 **Adjournment**

8 The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

9 Minutes prepared by Tammy Axlund.

10 WHATCOM COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ATTEST:

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12 Kelvin Barton, Chair



Tammy Axlund, Secretary