

Special Meeting of the Planning Commission
May 27, 2025 - 6:30 PM

a. Call to Order

Planning Commission Chair, Joe Franett, called the meeting to order at (6:30PM).

b. Pledge of Allegiance

c. Roll Call

Commissioners Present:

- Commissioner Joe Franett
- Commissioner Joe Fattizzi - Online
- Commissioner Jessica Jasper
- Commissioner Danielle Freiburger

Commissioners Absent:

- Commissioner Pat Huggins
- Commissioner Cassandra Sexson
- Commissioner Matthew Desvoigne

Staff Present:

- Planner Nicole McGowan
- Assistant Planner Ashton Sandoval Oaks
- Community Development Director Tom Glover
- Permit Technician Nicole Pfluger

Consultants Present:

- Kimley-Horn Associate Heidi Rouse
- Facet Northwest Environmental Planner Alexandra Plumb

d. General Public Comments

Please keep comments to three minutes or less. Because state law prohibits the use of city facilities for the purpose of supporting or opposing a campaign or ballot proposition, we respectfully request that public comment not make reference to such matters.

Written comments will be accepted by letter or via email at nmcgowan@sedro-woolley.gov Attn: 'Public Comment.' until 4:30pm the day before the meeting.

General Public Comments opened at (6:32PM)

- No online participants.
- No comments from participants in attendance.
- Staff did not receive any written comments.

General Public Comments closed at (6:32PM)

e. Public Hearing(s)

None

f. New Business

1. Comprehensive Plan - DRAFT Climate Element

Community Development Director, Tom Glover, introduced the Draft Climate Element and Facet presenters.

Facet Northwest Environmental Planner, Alexandra Plumb, provided a slideshow explaining the new Climate Element requirements, including steps and pathways used to help identify and implement recommended goals and policies.

Planning Commissioner, Joe Fattizzi, suggested another look at the priority climate hazards to ensure natural surroundings are considered in this plan.

Kimley-Horn Associate, Heidi Rouse, presented slides on the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Reduction Sub-Element, covering the pathways provided by the Department of Commerce to help identify goals and policy recommendations to integrate into the comprehensive plan. Heidi further explained how the consultant team sourced data and developed implementation measures. Heidi shared the GHG Emissions Inventory Results for the City of Sedro-Woolley.

Alexandra discussed the Climate Resilience Goals and Policies (Sub-Element).

Planning Commissioners appreciated seeing how many of the policies are already being done, or have a clear path to reaching the goals. Some minor recommendations were made.

Heidi read through the GHG Emissions Reduction Goals and Policies (Sub-Element).

g. Information Only

1. Clarification on Planning Commission Chair Vote

Nicole McGowan read from Robert's Rules of Order, to explain that the vote of the Planning Commission Chair does count.


Action is taken by the majority vote of the members present and voting; any member may abstain from voting, and a tie vote means the motion fails.

'If the presiding officer is a member of the assembly, he can but is not obligated to vote whenever his vote will affect the result. That is, he can vote either to break or to cause a tie or, in a case where a two-thirds or majority vote is required, he can vote either to cause or to block the attainment of the necessary two-thirds or majority vote.' The vote is to only be counted once, either as a voting member or withheld to act as a tiebreaker, but not both.

h. Adjournment

Time (8:53PM)

ATTEST:



Planning Commission Chair

APPROVED:



Planning Commission Secretary