

**City of Newport
Planning Commission Work Session Minutes
March 24, 2025**

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEWPORT CITY HALL, 169 SW COAST HIGHWAY, NEWPORT
Time Start: 6:02 P.M. Time End: 7:03 P.M.

ATTENDANCE LOG/ROLLCALL

COMMISSIONER/ ADVISORY MEMBER	STAFF
Chair Bill Branigan	Derrick Tokos, Community Development Director
Commissioner Bob Berman (absent, excused)	Sherri Marineau, Community Development Dept.
Commissioner Jim Hanselman	
Commissioner Gary East (absent, excused)	
Commissioner Braulio Escobar	PUBLIC
Commissioner John Updike	
Commissioner Robert Bare	
Citizen Advisory Member Dustin Capri (absent, excused)	

AGENDA ITEM	ACTIONS
WORK SESSION MEETING	
CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL	
a. Roll Call	None.
REVIEW AND DISCUSS FY 25-26 COUNCIL - COMMISSION GOALS.	<p>Mr. Tokos reviewed the FY 25-26 goals and asked the Commission for their thoughts on how to assist the Council to achieve their goals.</p> <p>The Commission discussed the city's current open staffing positions and recruitments; the status of the State's upcoming budget; and the city's plan for emergency preparedness for animals in the event of an emergency and evacuation.</p> <p>Tokos reviewed the Commission goals for FY 24-25 and asked the Commission to consider which goals should be a priority or needed to be added for FY 25-26.</p> <p>The Commission discussed if short-term rentals would be reviewed as part of the goal for housing. They also talked about the design review updates for Nye Beach and the City Center. The Commission wanted to see goals that included a design standard review; reviewing the State Lands list for Oregon on what should be pursued for housing and how to facilitate needed housing for development; working on City Center business façade improvement grants; reviewing reserves for City Center businesses to keep them from being displaced; looking at a System Development Charge component for housing;</p>

	reviewing how short-term rentals were operating and if they wanted to see a scale back on the cap number of them to promote workforce housing; and recharacterizing the tail end of what the Commission would be doing next fiscal year.
ONLINE SURVEY QUESTIONS FOR CITY CENTER REVITALIZATION PLAN PUBLIC EVENT #2.	Tokos outlined the content of the online open house being held from April 1st through April 13th. He reviewed the survey questions for the public event and asked for feedback.
CITY CENTER REVITALIZATION PLAN- INCENTIVES & PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.	The agenda item was tabled to the next Planning Commission meeting.
PLANNING COMMISSION WORK PROGRAM UPDATE.	None.

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