

## **Anacortes Planning Commission Minutes - April 14, 2026**

### **Roll Call**

Chairperson Frank Jeretzky called to order the Anacortes Planning Commission meeting of April 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners William McCombs, Linda Martin, Jill Underwood, and Mike Mills were present.

Commissioner Paul Ryan was absent.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

The assembly joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Minutes**

#### **Minutes of 03/10/2026**

Chairperson Frank Jeretzky asks the planning commission if anyone has comments or questions about the minutes that need to be approved.

Linda Martin: asking for a change, to remove her as the named Chairperson.

Mike Mills motioned to approve minutes with the minor change.

William McCombs seconded the motion.

All Ayes.

### **Public Comment**

Chairperson Frank Jeretzky invited the public to comment on any item not on the agenda.

No one present wished to address the Council on any topic not already on the agenda. No comments.

### **Public Hearings**

#### **LEG-26-05: Vehicle and Boat Sales and Repair Code Amendments**

Planning Manager, Libby Grage, presented to the planning commission the proposed amendments to Anacortes Municipal Code (AMC), LEG-26-05: Vehicle and Boat Sales and Repair Code Amendments. The changes would expand the range of permitted uses in the Industrial zone to include additional vehicle repair, boat repair, and boat sales activities, and resolve inconsistencies between how these uses are regulated under different use categories. The staff recommendation also includes prohibiting auto-oriented quick-service uses in the Industrial zone. Libby Grage also went over the background and context of how the permitted uses were defined in 2019 and how staff advised they did not intend to remove repair from the code. General-Service is not a permitted use in the Industrial zone, currently.

Chairperson, Frank Jeretzky opened the public hearing for comments.

John Willoughby, business owner and resident of Anacortes, spoke about how this would benefit his businesses.

Commissioner William McCombs: Asked the speaker whether the current zone does not allow for vehicle or boat repair now?

John Willoughby: Confirmed.

Chairperson Frank Jeretzky closed the public hearing and asked the Planning Commission if they had any comments.

Discussion Topics Included:

- Definition of Minor Vehicle Repair
- Placement of Zone-Specific Standards to AMC19.44.020 Section G(1)(a).
- Intent of limiting high traffic and quick turnover services in the Industrial Zone
- Sales and Rentals for vehicles and boats within the Industrial zone
- Including tire repair and replacement to the definition of Zone-Specific Standards

Linda Martin moved, seconded by Mike Mills, to recommend the changes of adding vehicle and boat sales and repairs to General-Services and allowing for such services to be allowed in the Industrial Zone to City Council with the proposed amendments, with minor structural changes to the table. All Ayes.

### **Other Business**

#### **Shoreline Master Program Update — Review of Proposed Amendments and Project Status**

Planning Manager, Libby Grage, went over the Shoreline Master Program Updates by reviewing the proposed amendments and project status in the slide presentation that was added to the packet materials for the meeting. With the purpose being to summarize the work completed to date and outline next steps.

Discussion Topics Included:

- Placement of the Shoreline Environmental Development information
- Possible Guemes Channel trail impacts
- Tree and Vegetation Regulations Enforcement & Inspections
- Previous legal issues

#### **Planning Department Update**

Planning, Building and Economic Development Director, John Coleman, provided updates to the department which included the recent Executive Order around permits streamlining by Mayor Ryan Walters. He also welcomed the new Planning Commissioner, Jill Underwood.

#### **Adjournment**

Chairperson Frank Jeretzky adjourned the meeting at 8:22pm.