

**City of Newport
Planning Commission Work Session Minutes
April 28, 2025**

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEWPORT CITY HALL, 169 SW COAST HIGHWAY, NEWPORT	
Time Start: 6:00 P.M.	Time End: 6:55 P.M.

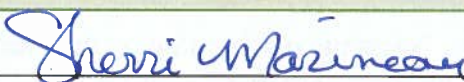
ATTENDANCE LOG/ROLLCALL

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

AGENDA ITEM	ACTIONS
WORK SESSION MEETING	
CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL	
a. Roll Call	None.
FEEDBACK ON MUNICODE REVIEW PROOF.	Mr. Tokos gave an update on the proof of the Municipal Code received from Municode.
POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIP WITH UO SUSTAINABLE CITY PROGRAM.	<p>Tokos discussed the potential partnership with the University of Oregon on their Sustainable Cities Year Program, and how it might align with the City Center Revitalization Program.</p> <p>The Commission gave their thoughts which included the UO's role as a contractor and how they align their student's courses with the projects they take on; how the city would match funds for the program; what the city would get out of the program; who at the city would oversee the program; time commitment from the city; past experience the Commissioners had with the Program; and the value of the program for students.</p> <p>Capri offered to volunteer for reviews as a part of the program.</p> <p>The Commission requested that Megan Banks, Director of the Sustainable Cities Year Program to share information on the program.</p>

<p>DRAFT AMENDMENT TO NMC CHAPTER 14.21, GEOLOGIC HAZARDS, RELATED TO PARTIES QUALIFIED TO PREPARE REPORTS.</p>	<p>Tokos reviewed the draft set of amendments that would allow both certified engineering geologists (CEGs) and geotechnical engineers (GTEs) to prepare geologic reports.</p> <p>The Commission discussed whether or not CEGs and GTEs had the same requirements for insurance and bonding; whether it was premature or not to make any decisions before the city received input from the State Board of Geologists and the Licensing Board for Professional Engineers; examples of projects in hazard zones that previously had problems, such as Jump Off Joes; the number of projects that required geologic reports in previous years; DOGAMI's list of who could prepare reports; types of outreach that could be done to engage the geologist community; types of information a lender would require in order to build in a suspect hazard area; whether the city could require liability insurance or not; peer review requirements for active landslide areas; timing for when mapping improvements would be done for geohazard areas; and ideas on who should be contacted for formal comments.</p>
<p>PLANNING COMMISSION WORK PROGRAM UPDATE.</p>	<p>None.</p>

Submitted by:


 Sherri Marineau, Executive Assistant