



City of Medical Lake  
124 S. Lefevre Street – City Council Chambers  
**Planning Commission Meeting & Public Hearing**  
**February 26, 2026, Minutes**

**NOTE: This is not a verbatim transcript. Minutes contain only a summary of the discussion. A recording of the meeting is available on the City of Medical Lake's YouTube channel where meetings are livestreamed.**

**1) CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL**

- a) Commissioner Mark acted as Chair in the absence of Commissioner Veliz. Commissioner Mark called the meeting to order at 5:38pm, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and conducted roll call. Commissioner Twohig was present on Zoom. Commissioners Altheide, Rowe, and Mark were present in person.

**2) ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

- a) Motion to approve agenda as is made by Commissioner Twohig, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, carried 4-0.

**3) INTERESTED CITIZENS: AUDIENCE REQUESTS AND COMMENTS**

- a) Tammy Roberson, resident of Medical Lake – shared letter from her attorney regarding her request to give an educational presentation on wetlands. Gave hard copy to commissioners and read the letter out loud. Letter will be part of the public record.
- b) Diane Nichols, resident of Medical Lake (via Zoom) - asked questions regarding comprehensive plan proposals from mayor's letter in the packet, hoping to have them answered during presentation.

**4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 22, 2026**

- i) Motion to approve made by Commissioner Altheide, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, carried 4-0.

**5) STAFF REPORTS**

- a) Elisa Rodriguez, City Planner – first round of amendments was approved at city council as Ordinance 1140 Amendment Criteria. Ordinance 1141 regarding Code Enforcement is still going through council, 2<sup>nd</sup> read scheduled for March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Addressed Ms. Nichols' inquiry regarding the old Nike site.

**6) SCHEDULED ITEMS**

- a) Periodic Update: Comprehensive Plan: Intro and Part 1
- i) Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the agenda packet items and held discussion with commissioners. Commissioner Altheide shared thoughts and thanked Ms. Rodriguez for her hard work. Commissioner Rowe also commended Ms. Rodriguez for her efforts. Commissioner Mark asked for some clarification regarding wastewater collection system which Ms. Rodriguez provided. Commissioner Twohig stated that he is curious to see where this all is going but has no comments so far.
- b) Periodic Update: MLMC Amendments regarding Affordable Housing
- i) Ms. Rodriguez stated that she did not have a presentation. Reviewed briefing sheet and held discussion. Went over key points of the suggested amendments and state requirements.

**7) PUBLIC HEARING**

- a) Periodic Update: MLMC amendments regarding Zoning
- i) Commissioner Mark opened the public hearing at 6:13pm.
- ii) Commissioner Mark read the rules for the hearing.
- iii) Ms. Rodriguez requested at commissioners' discretion to continue the hearing to the March meeting because this is the heart of the zoning code and some items should be looked at more closely, i.e. cottage housing, commercial along 902, etc. Gave a presentation, see attached.
- iv) Commissioner Mark called for citizen comments and read rules for public comment.
1. No public comment.
- v) Commission comments – None.
- vi) Motion to continue hearing to the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting made by Commissioner Altheide, seconded

by Commissioner Rowe, carried 4-0.

8) **COMMISSION MEMBERS' COMMENTS OR CONCERNS** – None.

9) **INTERESTED CITIZENS: AUDIENCE REQUESTS AND COMMENTS** – None.

10) **CONCLUSION**

a) Motion to conclude at 7:02pm made by Commissioner Rowe, seconded by Commissioner Altheide, carried 4-0.

*Roxanne Wright*

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Roxanne Wright, Administrative Clerk

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Date