

**Manchester Community Advisory Committee
Minutes
Tuesday March 7, 2023, 6:30-8:00pm**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Carol Malmquist.

Members in attendance: Carol Malmquist (Chair & Northern Neighborhoods), Susan Shaw (Port of Manchester), Ray Pardo (Friends of the Manchester Library), Janelle Overton (California neighborhoods), Amber Brown (At-Large), Ana Langone (Business).

Members absence: Kari Corey (At-large)

Excused absence: Carrilu Thompson (Manchester Community Association)

Guests: Sharon Holst, Eric Baker (Kitsap County), Colin Poff (Kitsap County); Aaron Miller, Anne Presson, Mary Beslagic, Carol Kowalski, Bob Ballard, Rashmi Ballard

Eric Baker, Kitsap Co. Policy Manager, and Colin Poff, Kitsap County Planning Supervisor were introduced to present updates to the Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan and the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Preliminary (land use) Alternatives. A lengthy discussion ensued including comments by the Council and attendees regarding the LAMIRD criteria, affordable housing, development zones, and property values.

Colin Poff distributed the Kitsap 2044 Comprehensive Plan Update Preliminary Alternative Descriptions handout.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. All members of the council acknowledged review of the Minutes of the 2/7/2023 MCAC meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ray Pardo and seconded by Janelle Overton, and included the approval of one change: to reflect that Amber Brown's absence at the February 2023 meeting was excused. A majority agreed and the motion passed. (There were two abstentions: Amber Brown; Ana Langone)
2. There are currently two vacancies on the MCAC. Ray Pardo and Susan Shaw will promote outreach to potential volunteers by posting to the Friends of the Manchester Library website and on social media. Mary Beslagic indicated she may be interested in volunteering for the MCAC.
3. Amber Brown asked about the possibility of MCAC on a meeting to focus on specific tasks and priorities. It was decided that the concerns would be addressed at a future meeting, once all members studied the goals and policies of the MCAC along with the by-laws.

4. Ray Pardo proposed the Council spend some time at the June 2023 meeting of the MCAC to identify Council priorities, specifically the function of each position on the Council and what functions the group performs overall in the community.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

None.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Open comment period

B. Community Calendar

1. The MCA is hosting an Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 22 from 11 am to 2 pm at Stormwater Park in downtown Manchester.
2. There will be a Manchester Community Open House on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at Manchester Elementary School (1901 California Ave. E, Port Orchard, WA). Volunteers should plan to arrive at 6:00 pm to help with set-up. Due to this event, there will be no regular MCAC meeting in May 2023.
3. The Friends of the Manchester Library (FOML) will be holding a plant and book sale on April 29th from 9 am to 3 pm.
4. Ray Pardo announced the FOML plans to sponsor the annual Salmon Bake on Sunday, June 18th at the Manchester Library. More information will be posted on the FOML website.

C. The next meeting of the MCAC will be Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Manchester Library.

Susan Shaw made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. The motion was seconded by Janelle Overton and all approved. All approved and the motion passed.