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### **Community Development Department**

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# AGENDA Molalla Planning Commission 6:30 PM, October 4, 2023

Commission Chair Doug Eaglebear Commissioner Jennifer Satter Commissioner Rick Deaton Commissioner David Potts Commission Vice-Chair Connie Sharp Commissioner Clint Ancell Commissioner Martin Ornelas

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- I. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Planning Commission Meeting minutes 9/6/23
- IV. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

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- VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- VII. GENERAL BUSINESS
  - A. Mural Code Feedback
  - B. Taverns and Saloons Standards
- VIII. STAFF COMMUNICATION
- IX. COMMISSION COMMUNICATION
- X. ADJOURN



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# Planning Commission Meeting Minutes for September 6, 2023

The September 6, 2023, meeting of the Molalla Planning Commission was called to order by Chairperson Doug Eaglebear at 6:32 pm.

### **COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE:**

Commissioner Clint Ancell - Present
Commissioner Rick Deaton – Absent (excused)
Commissioner David Potts – Present
Commissioner Connie Sharp – Present
Commissioner Martin Ornelas – Present
Commissioner Jennifer Satter – Present

### **STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mac Corthell, Planning Director - Present Ronda Lee, Support Specialist - Present Sam Miller, Senior Engineer - Absent Dan Zinder, Associate Planner – Absent

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### **AGENDA:**

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Planning Commission Meeting minutes – 09/06/2023 M-CS, 2<sup>nd-</sup>DP Vote: Passed 6-0-0

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Development Director. Complaints shall first be addressed at the department level prior to addressing the Planning Commission.

- **VI.** PUBLIC HEARINGS
- VII. GENERAL BUSINESS
  - A. Mural Code review and provide feedback at 10/4/23 meeting.
  - **B.** Training Conflict of Interest
- VIII. STAFF COMMUNICATION
- IX. COMMISSION COMMUNICATION
- X. ADJOURN

M-DP, 2<sup>ND</sup>-CA Passed 6-0-0 @7:00 pm

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zc8vilAQAOs

Chairperson Doug Eaglebear	Date	
Attested by:		
MCD Director, Mac Corthell	Date	

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# **Staff Report**

Agenda Category: Mural Code - Feedback

DATE: 10/4/2023 From: Ronda Lockwood, Support Specialist

Approved by: Mac Corthell, Community Dev Dir

**SUBJECT:** Mural Code - Feedback

FISCAL IMPACT: None

**RECOMMENDATION/RECOMMEND MOTION:** Planning Commission to give feedback on the 2022

draft of the Mural Code provided on 9/6/23.

**BACKGROUND:** City staff submitted a draft of the 2022 draft of the Mural Code to the Planning Commission for an extended review on 9/6/23. Please provide any questions or comments for discussion at the 10/4/23 PC meeting.

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## **CITY OF MOLALLA**

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## **Staff Report**

# Agenda Category: Discussion Item - Siting of Taverns and Saloons

Agenda Date: 10/5/2023 From:

Approved by:

**SUBJECT:** Standards for Taverns and Saloons

FISCAL IMPACT: None

**RECOMMENDATION/RECOMMEND MOTION:** Discussion of current standards and recommendation for changes to City Council, as applicable.

**BACKGROUND:** Per the Allowed Uses table found in section 17-2.2.030 of the Molalla Municipal Code, uses whose primary function is the provision of alcoholic beverages are subject to temperance laws as follows:

Bars and Taverns (those established after 2010 shall not be located within 500 feet of another bar or tavern)

Additionally, their allowance is subject to Conditional Use Permitting within the C-1, C-2, and M-1 zones.

The intention of this discussion is to revisit whether spacing between establishments serving alcohol still fits the community vision and needs. The current law effectively limits the ability of new taverns to site within the downtown core. Alcoholic beverage establishments can alternately be viewed as a core component of a vibrant and inviting downtown community or places where the destructive habits of individuals can be intensified.

The City's Comprehensive Plan does not offer specific guidance on this matter but does emphasize the City's desire to brand itself as a "recreational community" with regards to its proximity to the Molalla River Corridor and other recreational opportunities. The ability to site new taverns within the downtown core may add to that branding as alcoholic beverage establishments in other recreational centers such as Government Camp and along the HWY 26 corridor have specifically tailored to outdoor uses. These general policies from the comprehensive plan also provide some general guidance with regards to ensuring a variety of business types and encouraging new business.

- 7. A concerted effort should be made to revitalize the central business district through rehabilitation or redevelopment of existing areas. Encourage and identify new businesses that enhance the Central Business District.
- 8. The central business district shall provide a variety of services; cultural, recreational, social, professional and governmental activities. The history of Molalla should be a consideration in a redevelopment opportunities as well as even promotion.

Overall, Staff wanted to put the question to the Commission of whether the potential benefit to the community of inviting new bars and taverns to the community outweighs potential social risk. Staff believes the most likely outcome would be new establishments tailored towards a more social and recreationally based clientele would be a benefit to the City and its business community. Perhaps in the stead of siting restrictions, guidance towards the conditional use process could be provided or special use standards adopted that would maximize potential benefits while mitigating risk.