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# MINUTES

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**January 19, 2022**  
**Landscape Review Committee**  
**Regular Meeting**

**12:00 pm**  
**ZOOM Meeting**  
**McMinnville, Oregon**

**Members Present:** Carlton Davidson, Brian Wicks, and Patty Sorensen  
**Members Absent:** John Hall and Rob Stephenson  
**Staff Present:** Heather Richards – Planning Director and Monica Bilodeau – Senior Planner  
**Guests Present:** Scott Hill – Mayor, Kellie Menke and Zach Geary – City Councilors

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## 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

## 2. Citizen Comments

None

## 3. Oath of Service

Planning Director Richards administered the Oath of Service to new Committee Member Wicks.

## 4. Election of Officers

Committee Member Davidson nominated John Hall for Chair for 2022. The Committee affirmed the nomination 3-0 in favor.

Committee Member Davidson nominated Rob Stephenson for Vice Chair for 2022. The Committee affirmed the nomination 3-0 in favor.

## 5. Approval of Minutes

- June 16, 2021

Committee Member Davidson moved to approve the June 16, 2021 minutes. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Sorensen and passed 3-0.

## 6. Action Item

- L 30-21 – Lum's Landscape Review – 830 and 848 NE Highway 99W

Senior Planner Bilodeau presented the landscape application for a commercial addition of Lum's Buick GMC car dealership.

Dean Hoque, applicant, summarized the purpose of the project which included remodeling and expanding the business.

Joyce Jackson, landscape architect representing the applicant, reviewed the proposed landscaping which included drought tolerant and native plants. Landscape islands were proposed in front of the building and a lawn area was added. There was also landscaping along the property line to provide differentiation between the properties and to soften the effect of the pavement and cars. The trees were along the property line and the islands had low shrubs, grasses, and evergreens. The front of the new building had landscaping similar to the existing building. She listed the species of plants that were proposed. They had doubled the landscape area on the lot.

Committee Member Sorensen would like the original landscaping to be brought back to what it was originally so it would blend in with what was proposed.

There was discussion regarding use of native plants in this proposal.

Committee Member Sorensen asked about the Fragrant Snowbell tree blooms dropping on cars. Also, Rockrose did require pruning.

Ms. Jackson agreed Rockrose would need trimming to maintain it in a confined space. She did not think the Snowbell blooms would be problematic. She confirmed there would be irrigation.

Committee Member Davidson moved to approve L 30-21. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Sorensen and passed 3-0.

## **7. Discussion Items**

There was discussion regarding meeting in person instead of virtually, especially when working on code changes.

## **8. Old Business/New Business**

None

## **9. Committee Comments**

Committee Member Davidson suggested looking at Washington, D.C.'s regulations for street plantings and trees as ideas for the code changes.

## **10. Staff Comments**

None

## **11. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 p.m.