



City of Yachats
Planning Commission
DRAFT Meeting Summary Minutes
City Hall, 441 Hwy 101 N, Yachats, OR 97498
Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Work Session

(01:15)

- Call to Order
- Continue Discussion of Water Capacity for Future Development

(01:15) The Commission continued its discussion regarding water capacity for future development. City staff and the City's water system operator provided an overview of summer water demand compared to available supply, including system capacity, seasonal fluctuations, and operational constraints. A graphical presentation illustrated gallons-per-minute demand, creek flows, and the effect of the City's water agreement with South Lincoln County, which provides additional capacity during peak demand periods.

Discussion focused on the City's ability to meet current and projected demand, system resilience during emergency events such as fire or major leaks, and long-term considerations including climate change impacts, population trends, and tourism-related seasonal population increases. Commissioners discussed prior drought years, potential future reductions in stream flow, and regional coordination efforts. Staff noted that while long-range projections involve uncertainty, current data indicate the City can meet foreseeable demand, subject to continued monitoring and planning.

Regular Session

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Announcements & Correspondence**
- III. Citizens' Concerns** (limited to items not on the Agenda, 5-minute limitation per person)

IV. Ongoing Business

- a. Update on Cascadia Partners' Work
- b. Noxious Weed Ordinance

(1:12:20) The Commission discussed the status of the Noxious Weed Ordinance, including background, implementation considerations, and its alignment with broader land-use and environmental objectives. No action was taken.

V. New Business

- a. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan Update

(2:04:55) The Commission discussed the upcoming update, including scope, anticipated timeline, and coordination with other City planning efforts. Commissioners discussed priorities, data needs, and opportunities for public engagement.

VI. Reports

(2:10:54)

- a. Commission Chairs' Meeting

A brief report was provided on the topics discussed at the recent meeting

- b. Planner's Report
- c. Meeting Summary

The Commission reviewed key discussion points from the meeting and identified items to carry forward to future agendas.

- d. Issues List
 - i. PWC and PC Issues

VII. Other Business

- a. From Commission
- b. From Staff

VIII. Adjourn

Adjourn City Council Meeting 4:25 pm

Minutes prepared by: Kimmie Jackson, Recorder