

To the La Conner Town Council      From Mollie Rights, La Conner resident

Some thoughts from my observations at the November 8th Town Council meeting:

1. When there are many changes to consider, have the staff make paper copies of all the items for each council member so they can review them ahead of time and highlight items they have questions/concerns about, and also make notes of changes they have requested. This would save time, and make it a lot easier to find items being discussed.
2. I was sitting where I could see Mr. Davolio as he made notes of changes you requested and observed that he had time to check each item, but did not have time to write down all the details. Please make sure that all your voted changes have been made before those changes become permanent.

I am especially concerned that the 25 foot agricultural setback not allow any exceptions for any reason.

3. I remind you that you agreed that the Planning Commission schedule 2 meetings a month (as it used to have) because of the extra planning needed to get ready for the 2025 Comprehensive Plan review and update and they need the time to make those important decisions.

I am dismayed that the Planning Commission's December meeting is Zoom only, as I have found it extremely difficult to be recognized to make comments at Zoom meetings, and the December meeting is a very important one.

4. You agreed that the Port could have buildings up to 40 feet, forgetting that the Fire Department can only reach 30 feet with their current equipment. I suggest that new port construction pay for the fire department's needed equipment to reach 40 feet, and the training needed to use it.

5. About the Fireboat: The Port should buy the Fireboat and hire the crew to man it. It's really their responsibility because it's the Port that needs one.

Sincerely,

Mollie Rights