1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Veltkamp called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2018, at the City of Lynden City Hall Annex.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Faber, Kok, Templeton, G. Veltkamp and D. Veltkamp

Members Absent: Scott with notice.

Staff Present: Gudde, Planning Director; Samec, City Planner and Timmer, City Planner.

Also Present: Councilor Strengholt

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. October 12, 2017

Faber motioned to approve the October 12, 2017, Planning Commission Minutes as submitted. Seconded by Kok, and the motion passed 4-0.

B. December 14, 2017

Faber motioned to approve the December 14, 2017, Planning Commission Minutes subject to the noted corrections. Seconded by G. Veltkamp, and the motion passed 4-0.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Review of the Open Meetings Act – Simi Jain**

Simi Jain of Carmichael Clark PS. gave the Planning Commission a presentation on Open Public Meetings Act and the Appearance of Fairness (RCW 42.30 and RCW 42.36). Copies of each RCW were given to all Commissioners present.

B. **Election of the 2018 Planning Commission Chair / Vice Chair Positions**

Commissioner Faber motioned to re-elect Commissioner D. Veltkamp as Chair and Commissioner Faber as Vice Chair. Seconded by Kok, and the motion passed 4-0.
C. 2017 Planning Commission’s Year in review

The Commission briefly discussed 2017 and what a busy year it was.

5. COMMISSIONERS CORNER

A. Re-cap of the November 30th Pepin Creek Workshop

The Commission was provided copies of the polling results from the November 30th Pepin Creek Workshop as well as copies of the presentation regarding the Pepin Creek Sub-Area Plan and the Pepin Creek Sub-Area Plan Site and Housing Design and Visioning.

In addition, Gudde mentioned the upcoming January 25th Pepin Creek Community Workshop. The workshop will be held at the City of Lynden Annex and will begin at 7:00 pm. Gudde encouraged the Commission to let people know about the community meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Brett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 PM. Seconded by G. Veltkamp. The motion passed 4-0.