

PLANNING COMMISSION AND  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
March 11, 2026

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**AGENDA**

The Isle of Palms Planning Commission will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall, 1207 Palm Boulevard.

- A. Call to order and acknowledgment that the press and the public were duly notified in accordance with state law.
- B. Approval of minutes- February 11, 2026
- C. Executive Session- To receive legal advice and annual legal briefing pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2).
- D. Miscellaneous business
- E. Adjourn



**Planning Commission Meeting  
4:00pm, Wednesday, February 11, 2026  
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and  
broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Present: Sue Nagelski, Tim Ahmuty, Ron Denton, Rich Steinert, Bill Laughlin, Sandy Stone

Absent: Jeffrey Rubin

Staff present: Administrator Kerr

**2. Approval of minutes**

**MOTION: Ms. Nagelski made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2026 meeting. Mr. Laughlin seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.**

**3. New Business**

**Review of Tree Ordinance**

Commissioners reviewed the City's current tree ordinance as one of the recommendations of the matrix suggested discussing the inclusion of pines and wax myrtles as protected trees. Mr. Laughlin noted numerous redundancies. Commissioners discussed several definitions, phrases, and words used in the ordinance, such as cutting, trimming, pruning, removal, reasonable use, feasible, enclosed area, historic, and significant.

The Planning Commission ultimately agreed that the protections enumerated in the ordinance are sufficient. All wordsmithing suggestions can be managed during an upcoming review of the City Code.

This recommendation will be changed to green on the matrix.

**4. Old Business**

**Review of Recommendations Matrix**

Commissioners reviewed the current status of the recommendations assigned to the Planning Commission. Administrator Kerr noted that #269 regarding the mitigation of commercial

development should be green as that is a strategy noted in the Comprehensive Plan. The City is supportive of such efforts should the need arise.

Administrator Kerr will confirm the City's lack of authority to regulate structures at the end of docks. He believes those to be regulated by the State.

**5. Miscellaneous**

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 4:00pm at which time there will be a combined legal briefing with the Board of Zoning Appeals.

**6. Adjournment**

Mr. Stone made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Laughlin seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane  
City Clerk