Capitola Wharf Plan Supported

The reconstruction proposal for the Capitola Wharf concession buildings, including an office, fish and bait store, snack bar, boat storage and boat launching facilities, were approved in concept by the Capitola Planning Commission Monday.

The application comes from Rick Karleen, former owner of the wharf, who dedicated the wharf to the city in exchange for concession profits. It comes before the actual renovation of the wharf which has been estimated at \$605,000.

State and federal grants will pay 75 percent of the wharf renovation, with the city of Capitola picking up the rest. Costs of the building reconstruction, however, would be paid by Karleen.

Planning commissioners had concerns about the types of uses on the wharf, as well as the number and location of boat moorings.

Mitigations will be returned at a later date. Approval must be obtained from the Capitola City Council and the Central Coastal Commission.

In other business, commissioners approved plans for a change in use of the old Crocker Restaurant, 1850 41st Ave. It will become Western Federal Savings.

An application to rezone three parcels on Capitola Road from residential to commercial was continued