

East Bellevue Community Council
Summary Minutes of Regular Meeting

September 7, 2010
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Community Clubhouse
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Alternate Vice Chair Erwin, and Councilmembers Gooding and Seal

ABSENT: Chair Kasner and Vice Chair Elwin

STAFF: Brian Franklin

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Alternate Vice Chair Erwin presiding.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call by the Clerk, it was noted that Chair Kasner and Vice Chair Elwin were excused. Alternate Vice Chair Erwin led the flag salute.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS - WRITTEN AND ORAL**

(a) Update on Kelsey Creek Shopping Center Redevelopment

Nat Franklin, landlord of Kelsey Creek Center, noted that the architect, landscape architect, and engineer were present at the meeting to respond to questions about the redevelopment of the center. Mr. Franklin reviewed the general layout and landscaping features of the site.

Responding to Councilmember Seal, Mr. Franklin said that work on the stream is planned for next July and August.

Christine McKelvey, an architect with Group Mackenzie, reviewed graphic renderings of the proposed modifications to the site and structures. She described aesthetic features to be added to the site fronting Main Street and 148th Avenue SE including landscaping and lighting fixtures. The building upgrades incorporate wood, metal, and stone-like brick siding.

Dan Jenkins, landscape architect with Group Mackenzie, noted that he and Ms. McKelvey often work together on retail site projects. He reviewed specific landscaping elements of the redevelopment plan including enhancements to the existing street trees, shrubbery throughout the site, pedestrian amenities, and a connection to the existing trail. Trees will be added within the parking lot as well to expand on the Northwest character.

David Segal, described the site stormwater plan and preliminary grading and utility plan. He highlighted features related to water quality and stormwater detention. The site will have permeable concrete, and the entire storm drain system is within the pavement.

Responding to Councilmember Seal, Mr. Segal described how water will drain into Kelsey Creek, even in the event of flooding. The project will reduce the amount of impervious surface and significantly reduce water runoff. Mr. Segal responded to additional brief questions of clarification.

Michael Chen, planner with Group Mackenzie, said his role is to coordinate with the City and the designers.

Ms. McKelvey said they have not yet submitted documents for design review, as they are interested in feedback from the Community Council. Mr. Chen said they would like to submit for design review the following week.

Councilmember Seal commented that he had hoped some of the residents in the area would attend tonight's meeting. He noted that some concerns were expressed in the past about how the site would be screened from adjacent residences. Mr. Jenkins reiterated how landscaping features will screen and enhance the site. Residents will still be able to access the trailhead from the site.

Responding to Vice Chair Erwin, Mr. Chen said the project is scheduled to begin construction next April, and to be completed by Fall 2011.

Mr. Franklin said there will be a grocery component on the site, among other uses.

The project team responded to additional clarifying questions from the Council.

The Council thanked everyone for the presentation.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Seal moved to approve the agenda, amended to add 11(a), Verizon application for 90-foot wood pole. Mr. Erwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 3-0.

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

6. **RESOLUTIONS:** None.

7. **REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS:** None.

8. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** None.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

(a) Verizon Application for 90-Foot Wood Pole

Mr. Seal described Verizon's application to install a 90-foot wood pole and enclosed structure at 15555 SE 16th Street. He requested an update from staff on this proposal, including any comments that have been received from the public.

12. **CONTINUED COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

14. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Summary Minutes of the August 3, 2010, East Bellevue Community Council meeting were approved by consensus.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Gooding moved to adjourn, and Councilmember Seal seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

At 7:30 p.m., Alternate Vice Chair Erwin declared the meeting adjourned.

Michelle Murphy, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

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