

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

September 15, 2014
8:00 p.m.

Council Chamber
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Balducci, Deputy Mayor Wallace, and Councilmembers Chelminiak, Lee, Robertson, Robinson, and Stokes

ABSENT: None.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m., with Mayor Balducci presiding.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

All Councilmembers were present. Councilmember Chelminiak led the flag salute. Mayor Balducci welcomed Boy Scout Troop 638 in the audience.

(a) National Youth Court Month

Helena Stephens, Family/Youth/Teen Services Program Manager, noted members of the Bellevue Youth Court in the audience and spoke regarding National Youth Court month. She introduced key partners with the Youth Court including King County Superior Court Judge Carol Schapira; Xiaoning Jaing, Adult Co-Chair of the Youth Link Board; and Grant Freedman, a member of the Youth Court for the past three years.

Judge Schapira said that 2014 marks the third annual National Youth Court Month, and this year's theme is "Serving Communities, Changing Lives." There are 950 youth courts in the United States involving 90,000 youth volunteers. Since 2008, the Bellevue Youth Court has heard 55 juvenile cases, and only two were returned with an incompleteness in completing their required community service and other obligations. Bellevue's program has involved 327 youth volunteers, grades 8-12, since 2008.

Judge Schapira invited the Council and the public to the Youth Link program open house on September 16 at Bellevue City Hall. She thanked the City for its support of this program.

Ms. Jaing thanked Judge Schapira for attending all 55 Bellevue Youth Court sessions since January 2008.

Mr. Freedman said Judge Schapira has attended Washington State Youth Court Association training and trained numerous youth to serve as officers of the court. He said Judge Schapira plans to retire from her Superior Court position at the end of this year. He thanked her for her time and dedication to the Youth Court and Bellevue youth.

Judge Schapira thanked everyone for the recognition and commented on how much she has enjoyed this experience.

Mayor Balducci said she has observed the Youth Court and its outstanding youth judges and attorneys. She thanked everyone for their work in this program.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Heidi Pickard, President of the Downtown Bellevue Residents Association, noted other association members present in the audience to bring attention to the effort to Keep Ashwood Park Green. Ms. Pickard asked the Council to include a review of the Ashwood Park Master Plan as part of the Downtown Comprehensive Plan Update. Residents envision Ashwood Park as a green outdoor space for picnic tables, play areas, and public gatherings. Ms. Pickard expressed support for recommendations in the March 2014 Downtown Livability Study including a play area and dog park. She submitted her comments in writing.

Responding to Mayor Balducci, the City Clerk indicated that a Council discussion of the Downtown Livability Study is scheduled for October.

- (b) Carl Vander Hoek encouraged the City to provide a parking garage at Downtown Park to meet parking demands associated with the park and adjacent Old Bellevue businesses. He suggested funding options include paid parking, partnerships and/or special assessments. He submitted his comments in writing.
- (c) Alex Zimmerman, StandUP-America, said the U.S. is at war with Russia, China and the Muslim world. He said approximately 18,000 people are killed in America every year, and 40 percent of the cases are never investigated. He called for big changes in local government. He would like the City Manager to hold a monthly public forum. He expressed concern about local Police and his ongoing opposition to red light cameras.

[Deputy Mayor Wallace left the dais momentarily and returned for the next item.]

4. Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

- (a) Planned Change to 116th Avenue NE from NE 12th Street to Northup Way

Deputy City Manager Kate Berens opened discussion regarding a planned change to 116th Avenue NE. She said this situation is a bit unusual. It is not a discrete Capital Investment Program (CIP) project but could have more of an impact than other overlay projects because it could potentially affect a travel lane on 116th Avenue NE.

Transportation Director Dave Berg said staff has been considering the addition of bike lanes along 116th Avenue NE, between NE 12th Street and Northup Way, as part of the 2015 pavement overlay contract. He said a number of Comprehensive Plan policies address multi-modal transportation, including bicycles. Mr. Berg said staff proposes reducing the number of through lanes to add the bike lanes. He said 116th Avenue NE is a key connection to and from the Downtown, especially with the SR 520 bridge project adding bike lanes connecting to Seattle. Mr. Berg said staff is presenting the idea for early discussion.

Mark Poch, Traffic Engineering Manager, said one of the questions with this type of project is to determine what it does to vehicular capacity. One of the existing lanes would be replaced with a bike lane in each direction through the corridor. Traffic delays typically occur at traffic signals, and there are signals at the north and south ends of the project area. The City would maintain capacity in the corridor by avoiding impacts to the signal areas. The two northbound lanes on 116th Avenue NE at NE 12th Street would be maintained through the intersection and merge into one lane approximately 600 feet north of the intersection. There is currently one southbound lane at Northup Way and the project would not change capacity at that point.

Mr. Poch described the project diagram and project area details. Advantages of the project include improved bike linkage between Downtown Bellevue and the 520 trail, which also connects to Kirkland. Safety is improved by reducing bicycle conflicts with motorists and by reducing the number of vehicle lanes for pedestrians crossing the street. The bike lanes also create a buffer between traffic and pedestrians.

Mr. Poch said staff would like to conduct outreach to adjacent businesses and property owners and to the general public and report back to the Council.

Responding to Councilmember Robertson, Mr. Berg said this project has not gone through the Transportation Commission process but is part of the annual overlay program. He said the lane reduction is not in the Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) or the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

Councilmember Robinson said this has been the missing link for cyclists on the north end of Bellevue and she is excited to see this solution. However, she expressed concern that traffic travels fairly fast on that section of roadway. She questioned the choice of a bike lane versus a wide sidewalk that would protect cyclists.

Mr. Poch said the bike lane would not require any capital expenditures, and the road would be restriped at the time of the overlay project. With regard to safety, he said the center turn lane was added some years ago to enhance turning. He said the project will benefit cars and bikes because cars turning north will now have to cross only one lane instead of two.

Ms. Robinson said she understands the cost savings. However, she wants to be sure that this is the best decision for cyclist safety at that location. She noted a number of driveways along the road.

Mr. Poch said one advantage of bike lanes on both sides of the street instead of a combined path on the sidewalk is that drivers often look in just one direction when turning out and could therefore not see a cyclist coming from the other direction.

Deputy Mayor Wallace questioned the City's policies regarding sacrificing road lanes for bike lanes. Mr. Berg said there are no specific policies. However, there are policies related to developing a multi-modal transportation system.

Mr. Wallace said the CIP Plan includes a nearby project estimated at \$100 million to expand roadway capacity. He expressed concern that this project is presented without advance notice or any underlying policy in place. He said there are policies to widen 112th Avenue and 116th Avenue to add bike lanes but there are no policies to change a vehicle lane to bike lanes. Mr. Wallace suggested consideration of whether to update those policies given the fact that King County will be providing a major bike trail along the adjacent railroad right-of-way. He does not understand eliminating a traffic lane for a bike lane in the heart of where the City is spending hundreds of millions of dollars to generate roadway capacity.

Deputy Mayor Wallace questioned whether the idea has been discussed with the Fire Department, the Fire Fighters Union, Children's Hospital, Overlake Hospital, and Group Health with regard to the use of the road as an emergency vehicle corridor.

Mayor Balducci said tonight's presentation introduced the project concept as an early discussion before conducting appropriate public outreach.

Mr. Wallace said he is asking legitimate questions about the process and about the policies underlying the proposal. He said a proposal to eliminate a traffic lane for bike lanes raises a great deal of concern for him, especially in an area in which the City is making significant investments to add road capacity.

Ms. Berens said staff will remember his comments in addressing future projects that might impact capacity. She noted that this is a bit unusual because it ties into the overlay program.

Deputy Mayor Wallace said Councilmember Robinson raised a good question about the driveways along the corridor. He suggested talking to the Transportation Commission, fire fighters, and hospitals.

Responding to Councilmember Lee, Mr. Berg said the route is included in the City's bicycle plan. Mr. Lee said there is a need to talk about the impact of the current proposal on eliminating a vehicle lane.

Councilmember Stokes said Deputy Mayor Wallace raises good questions about the project. Mr. Stokes said he is always interested in finding ways to increase bike lanes, and he believes this is a creative solution. However, further study and outreach is needed.

Responding to Councilmember Stokes, Mr. Berg said staff typically finalizes the City's overlay contract during the first quarter of the year. He confirmed that there is time to conduct public outreach and to bring back more technical data for Council review.

Councilmember Robertson said she is concerned about the way this was brought forward without a study session and without advance notice to the Council. She recalled that there were numerous Council discussions regarding the City's Transit Master Plan, during which the Council expressed concern about eliminating one type of capacity to add another. Several Transportation Commission members and Councilmembers commented in the past that the goal should be to increase capacity for all modes.

Ms. Robertson said this is a key connection to the Downtown, the Bel-Red corridor, and the hospital district. This area will be experiencing a great deal of redevelopment that will depend on 116th Avenue NE, and the adjacent rail corridor is anticipated to become a multi-use path. She strongly supports increased bike lanes and pedestrian safety. She questioned whether the roadway could be restriped to add the bike lanes without losing a traffic lane.

Ms. Robertson said the projects should be vetted by the Transportation Commission and more analysis is needed before reaching out to property owners and businesses. She recalled that the Commission discussed a potential transit-only lane on 116th Avenue NE. Ms. Robertson said the elimination of vehicle lanes and taking away one type of capacity to replace it with another travel mode are not Council-adopted transportation policies. She does not support moving forward without due diligence.

Councilmember Chelminiak would like to see it go to the Transportation Commission as well. He said there have been lanes that have disappeared in Downtown Bellevue (e.g., 102nd Avenue). He said he was planning to mention, during Council Business, the number of dirt trucks in the Downtown. Mr. Chelminiak said the proposed bike lanes are worth exploring. He said the City does have a policy of trying to add bike lanes to the 116th Avenue corridor, and all bicycle lanes on streets have conflicts with driveways.

Mr. Chelminiak questioned how the project relates to the NE 15th/16th Street overpass. However, he observed that NE 12th Street was built to have a separated path and is a popular route for cyclists. He encouraged that the project go quickly through the Transportation Commission and return to the Council if supported by the Commission.

Responding to Mayor Balducci, Mr. Berg said the City has restriped roads with excess width to add bike lanes but has not reduced road lanes to do so. He said the cost of the proposed project is low, in the thousands of dollars, because it essentially only involves paint. The alternative of building bike lanes is in the millions of dollars.

Mayor Balducci observed that a number of regional projects (e.g., bike lane across the SR 520 bridge, through Bellevue, and continuing to Microsoft in Redmond) will increase bicycle traffic. She said it is important to provide safe bicycle routes. She is interested in seeing this proposal fully analyzed and hears Council support for the vetting process. She said the analysis should address how the bike lanes relate to other plans in the area, including NE 15th/NE 16th Street. She is interested in seeing how the lane reduction from the intersection at NE 12th Street would be handled.

Mayor Balducci said she supports staff going forward to compile a full package responding to the issues and questions raised tonight. She agreed that outreach to property owners and businesses will be essential.

Councilmember Robertson said she would be supportive of requesting staff's responses to the questions that have been asked, including Deputy Mayor Wallace's questions about capacity. She questioned whether the roadway was funded with impact fees. If so, she believes lanes cannot be eliminated, or that at least it would not be fair to do so. If this goes to the Transportation Commission, she suggests outreach and public notice to encourage the public to comment before the Commission.

Deputy Mayor Wallace said his expectation is that there be the same legal treatment and standards for removing a road lane as there are for adding a lane. He is interested in how the project affects other elements of the transportation system including concurrency, impacts to development of the Spring District, and the extent of traffic diversion to other streets.

Councilmember Lee said that, as Council liaison to the Transportation Commission, he will take some responsibility for making sure these questions are addressed.

6. Council Business and New Initiatives

Councilmember Robertson noted that she would forego her usual report due to the length of the previous item. She reported that she attended the Downtown Bellevue Rotary luncheon at Inspiration Playground in Downtown Park. The project is a public-private partnership and the Council approved the design budget earlier this month.

Councilmember Stokes said he attended meetings of the Regional Policy Committee, Leadership Eastside Mayors celebration and luncheon, Cascade Water Alliance, and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Transit Oriented Development committee.

Councilmember Robinson said she met with representatives of the King Conservation District regarding grants for which the City might apply. She participated in the Bellevue Tech Hive conference. She attended the Inspiration Playground event and the Downtown QFC store grand opening. Ms. Robinson attended a Tech in Focus crowdfunding event hosted by Clark Nuber CPA and consulting firm. The event included a panel with State Representative Cyrus Habib and Bill Beatty of the Washington State Department of Financial Institutions (DFI). Ms. Robinson attended the meeting of the Parks and Community Services Board.

Councilmember Chelminiak attended a Congressional briefing held by Congressman Smith and Congressman Reichart on youth homelessness. He attended the Seattle Chamber of Commerce lunch earlier in the day.

Councilmember Lee attended the Youth Link Board meeting. He participated in the Bellevue Tech Hive event which was targeted to bring entrepreneurs from China and Bellevue together to discuss ideas and encourage startups and mentorships.

Deputy Mayor Wallace reported that he attended the Seattle Chamber of Commerce lunch, which followed an earlier meeting of Mayors and Deputy Mayors hosted by Mayor Ed Murray to discuss transit issues. Mr. Wallace attended meetings of the Regional Water Quality Committee and the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee.

Mayor Balducci said that she, City Manager Miyake, PCD Director Chris Salomone, and Mary Pat Byrne, Arts Specialist, visited the PACE (Performing Arts Center Eastside) display in the lobby of the Hyatt Hotel, at the invitation of the PACE Board. She encouraged everyone to take a look as well.

Mayor Balducci said she attended a number of education events over the previous two weeks including elementary schools and the grand opening of Chinook Middle School. She met with President Dave Rule of Bellevue College and toured their construction activities. The college is exploring ways and funding to add more student housing on campus. Ms. Balducci met with Bjong Wolf Yeigh, the Chancellor of the University of Washington Bothell campus. She noted that 70 percent of their student body are transfer students from Bellevue College.

Mayor Balducci said that Congressman Adam Smith hosted a roundtable at City Hall on the topic of Sound Transit's light rail operations and maintenance base planned for Bellevue. Ms. Balducci said she attended meetings of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Transportation Policy Board and the Sound Transit Capital Committee.

Ms. Balducci said that she and Councilmembers Robinson and Stokes attended the Lake Hills Blueberry Festival.

Mayor Balducci noted a recommendation from staff to modify the format of the October 6 meeting to hold a 4-hour Budget Workshop.

→ Councilmember Robertson moved to authorize a temporary amendment to Council Rules to configure the format of the October 6 City Council meeting as a 4-hour Study Session. Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.

→ The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

7. Approval of the Agenda

→ Councilmember Chelminiak moved to approve the agenda, and Deputy Mayor Wallace seconded the motion.

→ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 7-0.

8. Consent Calendar

→ Councilmember Chelminiak moved to approve the Consent Calendar, and Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.

→ The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:

(a) Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of August 4, 2014 Study Session

Minutes of August 4, 2014 Regular Session

Minutes of September 2, 2014 Study Session

Minutes of September 2, 2014 Regular Session

(b) Resolution No. 8794 authorizing amendment of the Professional Services Agreement with Golder Associates, Inc., to increase the not-to-exceed contract amount from \$50,000 to \$150,000 for building plan review services.

(c) Resolution No. 8795 authorizing amendment of the Professional Services Agreement with Lani O'Connor, to increase the not-to-exceed contract amount from \$150,000 to \$250,000 for building plan review services. The original not-to-exceed contract amount was \$50,000.

(d) Resolution No. 8796 authorizing amendment of the Professional Services Agreement with Kolke Consulting, to increase the not-to-exceed contract amount from \$150,000 to \$250,000 for building plan review services. The original not-to-exceed contract amount was \$50,000.

(e) Resolution No. 8797 authorizing amendment of the Professional Services Agreement with BHC Consultants, to increase the not-to-exceed contract amount from \$50,000 to \$200,000 for building plan review services.

(f) Resolution No. 8798 authorizing execution of an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Abaco Pacific, Inc., to increase the total relocation services contract amount from \$49,500 to \$123,000.

(g) Resolution No. 8799 authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Murray, Smith & Associates (MSA) for engineering services for the Horizon View #1 Reservoir/ Pump Station Preliminary Design, Final Design and Construction Support, in an amount not to exceed \$873,461 (CIP Plan Nos. W-85 and W-91).

- (h) Resolution No. 8800 authorizing execution of all documents necessary to implement settlement of the lawsuit for personal injury damages filed by Tatyana Bogachkina against the City.
- (i) Resolution No. 8801 authorizing execution of a software purchase and implementation agreement with Network Consulting Services Inc. for replacement of the Help Desk software application, for tracking, resolution and reporting of technology-related issues and requests for service.
- (j) Ordinance No. 6179 implementing "No Parking, Stopping, Standing 7am to 3pm, Except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays" signs on both sides of NE 22nd Street from 98th Avenue NE to 100th Avenue NE.
- (k) Motion to approve payment of claims and payroll during the period August 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014.
- (l) Resolution No. 8802 authorizing a contract with West Publishing Corporation, for on-line computerized legal research services, in an amount not to exceed \$4,636 per month for 36 months, plus the option to renew for two additional 12-month increments, in an amount not to exceed 3% over the prior 12-month period.

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions: None.

12. Unfinished Business

Mayor Balducci resumed the Study Session discussion regarding the Comprehensive Plan Update.

Paul Inghram, Comprehensive Planning Manager, recalled his comments on topics in the Utilities element of the Comprehensive Plan including transmission lines, Puget Sound Energy's Energize Eastside project, the siting of sensitive facilities, consideration of electrical undergrounding, and widespread access to affordable high-speed internet access.

Councilmember Robertson said she wants to be sure that the policies in place to drive the regulations include a mechanism for requiring that all utility providers share in the costs for undergrounding utilities. She wants to be sure the City is thoughtful about policies which could pertain to the Energize Eastside project in terms of ensuring mitigation and reducing negative impacts. She would like to see strong language with regard to wireless communications facilities. She has been advocating that the City update its Land Use Code on WCFs for some time because some of the facilities around the community do not meet good urban design standards and do not fit well in residential areas.

Mr. Inghram said the City does have several policies about compatibility. Staff is proposing a new policy that would support reviewing the Land Use Code because wireless technology and the types of equipment change over time.

Mayor Balducci said she agrees completely with Councilmember Robertson's comments on telecommunications facilities. There are ways to implement wireless equipment that are less visually intrusive than what we are seeing today. She would like a strong City policy to address equipment installations. She strongly supports the idea of setting a policy basis to promote more competition between internet and cable TV providers, which is the subject of ongoing complaints from citizens.

Mr. Inghram presented proposed amendments to the Transportation element of the Comprehensive Plan related to developing metrics for measuring level of service (LOS) for all travel modes, directing development of a Transportation Master Plan that integrates planning for multiple modes of travel, integrating and consolidating all transportation facility plans, and creating a single comprehensive transportation project list that supports the Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP).

Deputy Mayor Wallace said he would like to see more discussion on improvements in technology. He noted that the ITS (Intelligent Transportation System) technology has delivered significantly increased capacity at a very low cost and without adding right-of-way. He suggested considering the future of driverless vehicles and other emerging technologies.

Councilmember Lee said new technologies should be explored with regard to the Energize Eastside project as well. He questioned where the topics of innovation, alternative energy sources, and energy efficiency are in the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Inghram said these topics are touched on in the Utilities element and the Environment element. However, more complete policy language could be developed.

Moving on, Mr. Inghram said that proposed amendments to the Economic Development element of the plan integrate certain concepts from the Economic Development Strategic Plan. These include the City's housing options, international aspects of the City, diversity as an economic strength, innovation, and supporting key clusters (i.e., technology, business/financial services, retail and tourism).

Councilmember Robinson said she wants to be sure that the Comprehensive Plan contains policies that support startups. Mr. Inghram said he believes it does and he will identify those areas.

Councilmember Stokes noted that economic development intersects with many policies and aspects of the City.

Mr. Inghram said amendments to the Human Services element were addressed by the Human Services Commission, which recognized that the scale of need and diversity has changed to make the delivery of human services more complex. Proposed new policies reflect changing demographics and encourage a coordinated local response to homelessness and affordable

housing. Responding to Mayor Balducci, Mr. Inghram said this is an area of overlap with the Housing element of the Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Balducci said the City is working with the Eastside Human Services Forum and ARCH (A Regional Coalition for Housing) to find a permanent location for the Eastside Men's Shelter, which has been in Bellevue for a number of years. She believes the City has an obligation to do its share to help house the homeless and that shelters should be a path to housing.

Councilmember Chelminiak concurred. He said Bellevue has and should continue to have homeless housing.

Councilmember Lee raised the issues of youth mental health services and the aging population. Mr. Inghram noted that the Bellevue Network on Aging has been involved with the Human Services Commission and the Transportation Commission on a number of issues. Mr. Lee observed that there are significant pressures on youths with regard to academic performance and other areas, as well as issues related to increasing demographic diversity.

→ At 9:55 p.m., Councilmember Chelminiak moved to extend the meeting to 10:45 p.m. Deputy Mayor Wallace seconded the motion.

→ The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Moving on, Mr. Inghram said the Environment element was discussed during a joint Board and Commission meeting to address tree canopy targets, collaboration and partnerships, life cycle materials management, greener buildings and infrastructure, greenhouse gas emissions, and low-impact development consistent with NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) regulations.

Councilmember Chelminiak noted the statement in the presentation that the Planning Commission expressed concern about the use of terminology that may be divisive, such as climate change. He said the Seattle Chamber of Commerce meeting earlier in the day identified climate change and resource scarcity as two of the biggest issues facing the regional economy.

Mayor Balducci said the City recently joined the King County-Cities Coalition on Climate Change, and climate change is a topic of the Growth Management Policy Board. She said the City is actively engaged in addressing climate in a number of ways. While there might be some political sensitivity around the topic, the City is heavily engaged in trying to do something about it. She suggested not prolonging the debate and just saying what it is.

Deputy Mayor Wallace said he wholeheartedly agrees with that. He spoke, earlier in the day, with the Planning Commission Chair, who said this was not a universal position or even a position from the Commission. The Chair recalled that discussion differently. Mr. Wallace observed there is no need for a long debate about climate change. If certain individuals are uncomfortable with the term, hopefully they can recognize that the outcomes and goals are beneficial (i.e., reducing energy use, reducing waste, maintaining air quality, etc.).

Mr. Inghram said that changes to the Parks, Open Space and Recreation element of the Comprehensive Plan include integrating aspects of the 2010 Parks and Open Space System Plan, pursuing the Bel-Red parks vision, supporting the Eastside Pathways campaign, and identifying policies to focus on celebrating history, culture and art. In addition, policies address tracking the community's evolving recreation and service needs.

Amendments to the Urban Design element reflect the Arts Commission's interest in a clearer recognition of support for the arts and propose a new Arts and Culture subsection.

Councilmember Stokes said that, when we are talking about supporting Eastside Pathways, it is larger than the campaign. This represents a real culture shift and focus that goes beyond a strategy.

Mr. Stokes observed that the proposed Arts and Culture subsection is a bit vague. He supports the intent but believes more specific language is needed.

Responding to Councilmember Lee, Mr. Stokes said Eastside Pathways represents a culture shift in that, instead of groups collaborating from time to time yet doing their own thing, it is a recognition that community groups can work together collectively without losing their own objectives. It embraces human services, parks, schools, and everything that contributes to future opportunities for children.

Responding to Councilmember Chelminiak, Mr. Inghram confirmed that urban design is more than art. Mr. Inghram said he is highlighting the changes to the Comprehensive Plan. The current Urban Design element has a few policies about public art and there was an interest in expanding that aspect of the Urban Design element. Urban design includes building design and other factors.

Mr. Inghram said the current Comprehensive Plan Update anticipates limited Subarea updates related to the Downtown Livability Plan, the Eastgate/I-90 area, and the Surrey Downs Park Master Plan. Amendments propose an overhaul of the subarea boundary map, and specific citizen requests regarding the Downtown and Crossroads boundaries are still in discussion.

Mayor Balducci said she would like to see staff's proposal for updating the Subarea plans. She suggested a major community involvement initiative to frame the issues and to identify common issues between more than one subarea.

Mr. Inghram said the Planning Commission continues to review specific policy sections. Additional public outreach is slated for later in the year, with the Planning Commission's recommendation to go to the Council in the first quarter of 2015. The State's deadline for adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update is June 2015.

Mayor Balducci noted that this topic is coming back on October 20 for further feedback. She said it would be nice for the Council to have the specific proposals before that discussion.

13. Continued Oral Communications: None.

14. New Business: None.

15. Executive Session [*Moved from earlier Study Session Agenda.*]

At approximately 10:10 p.m., Mayor Balducci declared recess to Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss one item of property acquisition.

16. Adjournment

At 10:43 p.m., the Executive Session was concluded and Mayor Balducci declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich, MMC
City Clerk

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