

*City of Burien*

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION  
September 27, 2011  
7:00 p.m.  
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jim Clingan called the September 27, 2011, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Jim Clingan, Greg Duff, Ray Helms, Brooks Stanfield, Nancy Tosta, John Upthegrove

Absent: Rachel Pizarro

Administrative staff present: Scott Greenberg, Community Development director; David Johanson, senior planner; Art Pederson, planner

**AGENDA CONFIRMATION**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Duff, seconded by Commissioner Tosta, and passed 6-0 to approve the agenda for the September 27, 2011, meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chestine Edgar, 1811 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> St., commented on the proposed Group Health amendments to the Comprehensive Plan map, zoning map and Zoning Code.

Bob Edgar, 12674 Shorewood Dr. SW, commented on the reformatting of the Comprehensive Plan.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Stanfield, seconded by Commissioner Helms, and passed 6-0 to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2011, meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Introduction and discussion on Group Health Comprehensive Plan map amendment, zoning map amendment and Zoning Code amendment*

Planner Art Pederson introduced the Comprehensive Plan map amendment, zoning map amendment and Zoning Code amendment proposed by Group Health to allow it to expand its existing clinic on Southwest 146<sup>th</sup> Street. The applicant is requesting that seven parcels change from multi-family to office. The clinic was built in the mid-1960s and Group Health wants to modernize and expand it to meet its patients'

needs. Representatives of Group Health addressed the Planning Commission about their proposed amendments.

**Direction/Action**

The commission will conduct a public hearing on the application at its Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Prior to the public hearing, the city attorney will provide clarity about the appearance of fairness in this quasi-judicial process.

*Presentation of North Burien Land Use Alternatives*

Senior Planner David Johanson presented the commissioners with a series of draft land use designation options for the newly annexed North Burien area. He told the commissioners the intent was to provide the commissioners with some tools to get them to start thinking about Comprehensive Plan land use designations for the area.

**Direction/Action**

The commissioners were asked by Mr. Greenberg to think in terms of what is appropriate for the community as a whole and encouraged them to spend some time in the area to get a feel for what level of density is appropriate for the area.

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Comprehensive Plan Reformatting*

The commissioners accepted the staff outline for the reformatting of the Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Tosta asked to go on record as saying she did not find the staff outline to be logical in structure.

**Direction/Action**

None.

**FUNCTIONAL PLANNING UPDATES**

None.

**PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Direction/Action**

Commissioner Tosta moved for adjournment; the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

**APPROVED:** October 11, 2011

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair