

*City of Burien*

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION  
October 9, 2012  
7:00 p.m.  
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jim Clingan called the October 9, 2012, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: None

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

**AGENDA CONFIRMATION**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Duff, seconded by Commissioner Tosta, to approve the agenda for the October 9, 2012, meeting as modified. Motion passed 7-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chestine Edgar, 1811 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> St., spoke about the proposed amendment to Comprehensive Plan Policy SE 1.3, and about the relationship of the Comprehensive Plan and Shoreline Master Program to the Comprehensive Plan Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Ian Morrison, of the firm McCullough Hill Leary, P.S., 701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 7220, Seattle, speaking on behalf of Seven Hills Properties, reiterated his client's support of the proposed commercial nodes concept as it relates to the intersection of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South and 128<sup>th</sup> Street.

Robert Howell, 15240 20<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, commented on the proposed amendment to Comprehensive Plan Policy SE 1.3 and the Comprehensive Plan EIS.

Kathi Skarbo, 1611 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> St., also spoke about the proposed amendment to Comprehensive Plan Policy SE 1.3, and about the relationship of the Comprehensive Plan and Shoreline Master Program to the Comprehensive Plan EIS.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Stanfield, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, and passed 7-0 to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2012, meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

*Discussion and possible action on 2012 Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element Amendments: Land Use, Residential, Business, Industrial, Special Planning Areas, Plan Phasing, Natural Environment, Historic Preservation, Community Character, Plan Implementation and Map Updates.*

David Johanson reviewed the work the commission has done to date on the draft text amendments to the business and industrial goals and policies. There was discussion about outstanding issues with proposed amendments to policies BU 1.4, relating to Intersection Commercial designation criteria, and SE 1.3, relating to public access to Lake Burien and consistency between the Shoreline Master Program and the Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Upthegrove distributed an e-mail from Tom Clingman at the state Department of Ecology.

### **Direction/Action**

Commissioner Tosta moved to recommend to City Council adoption of the Business and Industrial Goals and Policies dated September 27, 2012, with the exception of retaining the current goal/policy language for Policy SE 1.3 instead of amending it. Commissioner Upthegrove seconded the motion. Following discussion, commissioners Tosta and Upthegrove withdrew the motion and second.

Next, Commissioner Tosta moved to recommend to City Council adoption of the Business and Industrial Goals and Policies dated September 27, 2012, with a language change to the proposed amendment to Policy SE1.3 to read: “While the City encourages and supports continued operation of the center, any proposed change in use in the future should be reviewed to ensure that *wetlands and water quality of Lake Burien are fully protected* and the development supports the historical link with Old Burien.” Commissioner Upthegrove seconded the motion.

Commissioner Stanfield proposed a friendly amendment to the motion to read: “While the City encourages and supports continued operation of the center, any proposed change in use in the future should be reviewed to ensure that *the development supports the wetlands and water quality of Lake Burien* and the historical link with Old Burien.” Commissioner Tosta accepted the amendment. The motion carried 7-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Martinez reported that the links of the Lake to Sound Trail will be approximately 95% complete from Renton to Des Moines if approved by voters next year.

Commissioner Stanfield reported that WABI (Walk/Bike) Burien, in partnership with the City of Burien, applied for and was awarded a \$10,000 Washington State CERB (Community Economic Revitalization Board) grant to fabricate locally and install approximately 40 bicycle racks.

## **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

Mr. Johanson requested two volunteers from the Planning Commission to participate in two workshops on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> to look at impediments to development within the city. Interested commissioners will contact him later.

Mr. Greenberg announced that it was his last Planning Commission meeting at the City of Burien and expressed appreciation for the work done by all the commissioners during his 14-year tenure with the City.

Mr. Johanson said the next regularly scheduled meeting, on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, will be canceled.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Direction/Action**

Commissioner Martinez moved for adjournment; Commissioner Tosta seconded. Motion carried 7-0.  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**APPROVED:** March 13, 2013

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair  
Planning Commission