

*City of Burien*

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION  
December 13, 2011  
7:00 p.m.  
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jim Clingan called the December 13, 2011, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Rachel Pizarro, Nancy Tosta

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

**AGENDA CONFIRMATION**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Helms, seconded by Commissioner Stanfield, to approve the agenda for the December 13, 2011, meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Duff, seconded by Commissioner Stanfield, and passed 5-0 to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2011, meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*UW Student Presentation on Community Gardens*

University of Washington students Maddie Beeders, Garrett Gerlach, Brandon Pietenpol and Molly Thornton presented the results of their research into how the City of Burien can enable private development of community gardens. A fifth member of their group, Devin Myers, was unable to attend the Planning Commission meeting.

**Direction/Action**

None.

*Discussion of Zoning Code Amendments*

Scott Greenberg introduced a preliminary set of Zoning Code amendments and asked for comments and questions from the commissioners.

**Direction/Action**

A few more items will be presented to the commissioners at their next meeting and then a public hearing on the proposed amendments will be scheduled in either late January or early February.

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Discussion of North Burien Zoning (Ambaum Boulevard Corridor)*

David Johanson presented a conceptual zoning alternative for the Ambaum Boulevard Southwest corridor. He also pointed out two recent articles that were included in the commissioners' packets to provide different perspectives and latest trends in land-use planning.

**Direction/Action**

There was consensus that the alternative presented will serve as the preferred alternative moving forward.

**FUNCTIONAL PLANNING UPDATES**

Scott Greenberg reported that the Transportation Master Plan policies were adopted by the City Council the night before; the transportation master plan should be complete by the end of the first quarter 2012. There is about a 90 percent draft of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan now available on the City's website and a presentation by the consultant to the City Council is tentatively scheduled for January 23<sup>rd</sup>. A draft of the Drainage Master Plan will be presented to the advisory committee sometime around the end of January or first of February.

**PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Uptegrove expressed disappointment that the City Council did not appoint him to the shoreline committee working with the Department of Ecology to resolve the last few disputed issues.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Direction/Action**

Commissioner Helms moved for adjournment; the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

**APPROVED:** January 10, 2012

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair