

*City of Burien*

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION  
February 28, 2012  
7:00 p.m.  
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jim Clingan called the February 28, 2012, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: None

Administrative staff present: Scott Greenberg, Community Development Department director; Stephanie Jewett, planner

**AGENDA CONFIRMATION**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Tosta, seconded by Commissioner Duff, to approve the agenda for the February 28, 2012, meeting. Motion passed 7-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Chestine Edgar, 1811 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> St.**, commented on the Comprehensive Plan amendment criteria, procedures and fees.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Stanfield, seconded by Commissioner Tosta, and passed 7-0 to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2012, meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Discussion and possible recommendation on Zoning Code Amendments*

Mr. Greenberg reviewed the changes made to the proposed Zoning Code amendments since the commission's last meeting.

Commissioner Upthegrove proposed a change to the proposed amendment changing Type III land use applications to Type II.

**Direction/Action**

Commissioner Upthegrove moved to add language giving applicants the option to request a Type II review instead of a Type III review process. Second by Commissioner Helms. Motion failed 2-5.

Commissioner Tosta moved that the Planning Commission recommend to the City Council approval of the proposed Zoning Code amendments on Attachment A, based on the analysis contained in the staff memo dated February 21, 2012. Second by Commissioner Helms. Motion carried 6-1.

**PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Helms announced that the Discover Burien annual awards dinner is Friday, March 2. He expressed disappointment that the City no longer participates in the event.

Commissioner Stanfield reported that the Transportation Master Plan Advisory Committee received a copy of the draft Master Plan at its last meeting and the draft is available on the City's website. He said it is a good framework for the future and he believes the real challenge is ahead in implementing the plan given the current financial realities. He said it was a very positive process.

Mr. Greenberg announced an open house from 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 29, at Hilltop Elementary School to talk with the North Burien community about proposed zoning changes. The commission will have a public hearing on the proposed changes on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Tosta asked if the Planning Commission could put the Comprehensive Plan amendment fee schedule on its agenda; Mr. Greenberg responded that setting fees is not in the commission's purview. By law, fees are set by a City Council resolution.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Greenberg noted that in 2010 the City issued only 10 permits for new single family homes, while in 2011 it issued 53, making that a five-fold increase. He also noted that 19 years ago to the day the City was formed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Direction/Action**

Commissioner Duff moved for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

**APPROVED:** March 13, 2012

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair