

Lisa Clausen

From: David Johanson
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2010 2:24 PM
To: seanwittmer@yahoo.com
Cc: Council Members; Scott Greenberg; Lisa Clausen
Subject: RE: Shoreline Management Plan

Dear Mr. Wittmer and Ms. Allen

Thank you for your inquiry regarding Burien's Shoreline Master Program update process. Your e-mail was directed to the Department of Community Development for response. The City is considering Washington State mandated updates to its shoreline master program. Currently the Planning Commission is considering the draft SMP that was developed by our Shoreline Advisory Committee. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 12, 2010 and will be discussing the document and formulating a recommendation to the City Council in the next 1-2 months (2-3 meetings, more if necessary). For your reference the Shoreline Advisory Committee recommended draft Shoreline Master Program is available for review on the City website. Please visit www.burienwa.gov.

The City Council will then conduct a public hearing and consider the recommendations of the Planning Commission to prepare a final submittal to the Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE). The specific dates that the City Council will hold its meetings is dependent on the Planning Commission schedule and when it completes the formal recommendation process. It is preferred that comments are provided during one of the formal the public hearings. Please continue to check the City website for updated information on Planning Commission and City Council meeting dates and agendas. Following the City Council hearing and deliberations, it is anticipated that DOE will receive the recommended document in late spring or early summer, again dependent on scheduling. It too, will conduct a public hearing on the proposed updates.

At this time you may submit written comments to the Planning Commission for consideration; however, since it has held its public hearing it may be more challenging to address them specifically, but your comments will certainly forwarded for consideration. At any time I would be more than happy to speak with you about the update process and answer any questions you may have regarding the current draft shoreline master program.

Again thank you for your interest. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely

David Johanson, AICP
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From: Council
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2010 11:53 AM
To: 'sean wittmer'
Subject: RE: Shoreline Management Plan

Thank you for your message to the Burien City Council. It will be referred to the appropriate City staff and included in the Correspondence for the Record for an upcoming Council meeting.

L. Clausen

CFTR: 02/01/10
CC: Community Development

City Manager's Office

From: sean wittmer [mailto:seanwittmer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, January 22, 2010 11:27 AM
To: Council; Council
Subject: Shoreline Management Plan

January 22, 2010

To: Burien City Council

Re: Proposed Shoreline Management Plan

To Whom It May Concern:

I moved from the city of Seattle to Burien in 2009. In the eleven years that I lived in West Seattle, I enjoyed the small town feel. However, when the opportunity presented for me to purchase a home in the Three Tree Point neighborhood, I jumped at it. In the year that I have proudly called Burien home, I've felt that this is my hometown. A sense of community is present both in the city and our neighborhood. This year, I participated in the annual bicycle race and enjoyed the festivities on the Fourth of July. I stay at home on Halloween to enjoy all the trick-or-treaters. I actually know my neighbors. My girlfriend has moved in as we are continuing our life together. A lot of good things have come into my life since I've moved to Burien. I only look forward to our future here.

I was recently informed that the city was proposing a Shoreline Management Plan. It appears that this plan could have direct impact in the Three Tree Point and Lake Burien neighborhoods. I've concerns as I am a property owner on SW 172nd St. A few of these concerns are privacy, parking, noise, safety and decreased property values. Please allow us to voice our concerns and be a part of the decision making process.

I feel that we are very fortunate to live in such a unique area and would be saddened to see any major changes.

Sincerely,

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