

**CITY OF BURIEN
AGENDA BILL**

Agenda Subject: Request by Burien Economic Development Partnership (BEDP) to ask staff to engage an economic consultant to update the Economic Enhancement Study prepared by the Hyett Palma firm.		Meeting Date: December 13, 2010
Department: City Manager	Attachments:	Fund Source: N/A
Contact: Richard Loman, Economic Development Mgr.		Activity Cost: N/A
Telephone: 206-248-5528		Amount Budgeted: N/A
Unencumbered Budget Authority: N/A		
Adopted Initiative: Yes No X	Initiative Description: N/A	
PURPOSE/REQUIRED ACTION:		
The BEDP is requesting Council to direct staff to retain an economic consultant to update the Economic Enhancement Study that was done in 1998 by the Hyett Palma firm.		
BACKGROUND (Include prior Council action & discussion):		
In 1998 a Burien Economic Development Summit was held, followed by a comprehensive written study by Hyett Palma, economic development consultants. At that time, the focus of Burien's recommended economic development was on the downtown central business core and during the past ten years the economic development effort and significant City cash investment strictly followed the Hyett Palma recommendations. The majority of those recommendations have been achieved. Goals like organizing the business community (Discover Burien, BEDP, Chamber of Commerce); attracting a regional historical museum; physically improving 152 nd St. to attract destination type pedestrian friendly, retail and personal services as well as creating the front room for the Town Square public private partnership; the remodel of Redwood Center and relocation of Bartells, and finally the construction of Phase I & II of Burien's Transit Oriented Development.		
OPTIONS (Including fiscal impacts):		
a) Direct staff to retain a consultant		
b) Deny request		
Administrative Recommendation: Staff recommends denial of the request.		
Committee Recommendation: N/A		
Advisory Board Recommendation: As presented.		
Suggested Motion: None required.		
Submitted by:		
Administration _____	City Manager _____	
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