

*City of Burien*

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION  
June 14, 2011  
7:00 p.m.  
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers  
MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jim Clingan called the June 14, 2011, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Rachel Pizarro

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

**AGENDA CONFIRMATION**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Tosta, seconded by Commissioner Stanfield, and passed unanimously to approve the agenda for the June 14, 2011, meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chestine Edgar, 1811 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> St., spoke about a request to include changes to the land use map and Comprehensive Plan for the Lake Burien area in the scope for the 2011-12 Comprehensive Plan update.

Robert Howell, 15240 20<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, signed in to speak but declined.

Bob Edgar, 12674 Shorewood Dr. SW, commented on the Group Health Cooperative's Comprehensive Plan amendment request.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Direction/Action**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Tosta, seconded by Commissioner Upthegrove, and passed 6-0 to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2011, meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**Direction/Action**

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

David Johanson, senior planner, summarized the work the commissioners had done thus far on developing a 2011-12 Comprehensive Plan update docket to recommend to the City Council. He noted that after this evening's discussion the commissioners may, if they are ready, vote on a docket to forward to the council. He indicated that the council will begin looking at the Comprehensive Plan update process on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Johanson then briefly described the one request for a Comprehensive Plan amendment received by the City from the Group Health Cooperative.

Commissioner Duff moved that the Planning Commission recommend to the City Council that the proposed Comprehensive Plan scope of work as set forth in Attachment 4 serve as the 2011-2012 Comprehensive Plan docket. Commissioner Helms seconded the motion.

There was much discussion among the commissioners about timing and procedure.

Commissioner Tosta moved to amend Attachment 4, the bullet under Community, to say "establish an approach for developing neighborhood plans." Commissioner Helms seconded the motion and the vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Tosta moved that the commission amend the draft scope of work outline to reflect the vision to be adopted by the City Council at an upcoming meeting, that the draft scope of work reflect the plan organization be based on the vision as the Planning Commission has previously discussed. Commissioner Upthegrove seconded the motion. After discussion, Commissioner Tosta withdrew her motion and Commissioner Upthegrove withdrew his second.

Commissioner Tosta moved that the commission add a bullet that says "consider the Lake Burien critical area designation and potential changes to the Comprehensive Plan based on those." Commissioner Upthegrove seconded the motion. Commissioner Tosta then clarified her motion, stating it was "to examine critical area designations and ensure that they are consistently, well, that they are based on best available science and then consistently applied throughout the city." After discussion, the vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Upthegrove moved to amend Attachment 4 to include an emphasis on developing a citywide environmental stewardship program. Commissioner Stanfield seconded the motion. After discussion, Commissioner Stanfield withdrew his second and Commissioner Upthegrove withdrew his motion.

There being no further discussion, the commissioners voted on the original motion to recommend to the City Council that the proposed Comprehensive Plan scope of work as set forth in Attachment 4 serve as the 2011-2012 Comprehensive Plan docket, as amended. The motion passed 6-0.

### **Direction/Action**

Staff will remove the boldfaced headings from the docket. A copy of the recommended docket will be given to each of the commissioners after it is presented to the City Council. Staff agreed to distribute the new vision for the city once it is adopted by the City Council.

## **FUNCTIONAL PLANNING UPDATES**

Mr. Johanson provided the commissioners with brief progress reports on the Transportation Master Plan, Parks Recreation and Open Space Plan and the Drainage Master Plan.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Helms reported that the Wild Strawberry Festival is this coming weekend; Commissioner Stanfield added that the B-Town Bike Fair is on Saturday.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

Mr. Greenberg reported that the King County Council is poised to pass legislation allowing digital billboards in unincorporated areas of King County, including potential annexation areas (PAAs) such as North Highline. Both Seattle’s and Burien’s sign codes prohibit digital billboards.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Duff moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Stanfield seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

**Direction/Action**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Jim Clingan, chair  
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