

City of Burien

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION
September 27, 2011
7:00 p.m.
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers
MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Clingan called the September 27, 2011, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Rachel Pizarro

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

AGENDA CONFIRMATION

Direction/Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Duff, seconded by Commissioner Tosta, and passed 6-0 to approve the agenda for the September 27, 2011, meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chestine Edgar, 1811 SW 152nd St., commented on the proposed Group Health amendments to the Comprehensive Plan map, zoning map and Zoning Code.

Bob Edgar, 12674 Shorewood Dr. SW, commented on the reformatting of the Comprehensive Plan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Direction/Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Stanfield, seconded by Commissioner Helms, and passed 6-0 to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2011, meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction and discussion on Group Health Comprehensive Plan map amendment, zoning map amendment and Zoning Code amendment

Planner Art Pederson introduced the Comprehensive Plan map amendment, zoning map amendment and Zoning Code amendment proposed by Group Health to allow it to expand its existing clinic on Southwest 146th Street. The applicant is requesting that seven parcels change from multi-family to office. The clinic was built in the mid-1960s and Group Health wants to modernize and expand it to meet its patients' needs. Representatives of Group Health addressed the Planning Commission about their proposed amendments.

Direction/Action

The commission will conduct a public hearing on the application at its Oct. 11th meeting. Prior to the public hearing, the city attorney will provide clarity about the appearance of fairness in this quasi-judicial process.

Presentation of North Burien Land Use Alternatives

Senior Planner David Johanson presented the commissioners with a series of draft land use designation options for the newly annexed North Burien area. He told the commissioners the intent was to provide the commissioners with some tools to get them to start thinking about Comprehensive Plan land use designations for the area.

Direction/Action

The commissioners were asked by Mr. Greenberg to think in terms of what is appropriate for the community as a whole and encouraged them to spend some time in the area to get a feel for what level of density is appropriate for the area.

OLD BUSINESS

Comprehensive Plan Reformatting

The commissioners accepted the staff outline for the reformatting of the Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Tosta asked to go on record as saying she did not find the staff outline to be logical in structure.

Direction/Action

None.

FUNCTIONAL PLANNING UPDATES

None.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Commissioner Tosta moved for adjournment; the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

APPROVED: _____

Jim Clingan, chair
Planning Commission