

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (PED) COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Date: February 18, 2016

Attendance: Jay Arnold, Penny Sweet, Eric Shields, Ellen Miller-Wolfe, Paul Stewart, Jeremy McMahan, Angela Ruggeri

Absent: Doreen Marchionne

Agenda Item:	Action Items:
1. Houghton/Everest Business District	Angela, Paul and Eric provided an update on the project directed by Council resolution to review the Comprehensive Plan and zoning for the business district. Staff has met with leaders from both the Everest and Houghton neighborhoods and there are different opinions about when this project should start. Staff (as well as all neighborhood leaders) would like to have the results of the planned transportation analysis for the 6 th St. corridor available when discussing land use changes in the community. The departure of David Godfrey casts uncertainty on when that work will commence. PCC has indicated a possible interest in expanding and should be involved in the process. Council members indicated that a delay in the project timelines would be reasonable and could be discussed when the Council reviews the Planning Work Program on March 1.
2. Energize Eastside EIS	Jeremy summarized the alternatives discussed in the recently released EIS on Puget Sound Energy's proposal to install a new 230 kV transmission line between Renton and Sammamish. Only one alternative, installation of multiple 115 kV lines, would affect Kirkland and that alternative is unlikely to be implemented.
3. Marijuana Regulations	Council members expressed an interest in considering reduced retail buffers for day-care uses and asked whether this task could be prioritized to occur as soon as possible. Paul noted that the tasks of one planner could be reprioritized. It was agreed that this would be discussed when the Council reviews the Planning Work Program in March.
4. Development Services Study status	Eric and Jeremy reviewed the status of improvements to City development services practices recommended in 2013 by Zucker Systems. Most recommended practices have been done, but several are still in process and a few are still to be done. Several also are not recommended by staff to do. Committee members suggested another status report later in the year.
Informational Items: 1. Sponsorships 2. Furniture Donation to start up 3. Day shelter at Lutheran church 4. Development projects update	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The City is a sponsor of an economic impact study of the regional interactive media cluster. This follows on last year's discussions about working more closely with OneRedmond and WIN on economic development issues.2. The City is contemplating providing surplus furniture from City Hall to help outfit and program a center for services to entrepreneurs to be located in Bellevue. The project is the first of a three-city effort by Kirkland, Bellevue and Redmond to leverage their resources for economic development purposes.3. Eric reported on plans of Holy Family Lutheran church to open a day center for homeless women and families near Lake Washington High School.4. Eric reported on major projects underway, including: Kirkland Urban, Village at Totem Lake, Park Lane apartments, MRM apartments, McLeod Lake St. Place and City Hall parking lot.
Upcoming Council Agenda Items: March 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Study meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss Planning Work Program.
Next Meeting	March 14, 2016

<p>Potential Future Topics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Artsfund 2. Downtown main street program 3. CKC art integration 4. Potential trip to Bellingham 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The PED supported a joint meeting with the Cultural Arts Commission to hear the results of an Eastside economic impact study of the arts date to be determined (now set at April 21). 2. The State Main Street Coordinator will speak to the KDA Board about the program's application to downtown on March 7 at 9:00 at Umpqua Bank. PED members are welcomed. 3. The Art Integration Plan is being drafted and after reviews by the internal CKC committee, the Cultural Arts Commission and possibly, the PED, the City Council will consider adoption as an appendix to the CKC Masterplan. 4. Ellen asked if there is interest in visiting a homeless shelter & entrepreneur site. Committee members suggested potentially later in the year.
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