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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager
From: Kari Page, Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator
Date: October 24, 2013
Subject: Upcoming City Council Meeting with the Highlands and Norkirk Neighborhoods

RECOMMENDATION:

City Council finalize the agenda for the City Council Meeting with the Highlands and Norkirk Neighborhoods.

BACKGROUND:

The Council is scheduled to meet with Highlands and Norkirk Neighborhood residents on Wednesday, November 20, 2013 6:45–8:45 p.m. at the Maintenance Center, 915 8th Street.

Unless otherwise instructed by Council, staff will continue to format the meetings as previously done.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

6:45-7:00 p.m. Informal Casual Conversations
7:00-7:05 p.m. Welcome and Introduction - Mayor Joan McBride
7:05-7:10 p.m. Comments from the Highlands and Norkirk Neighborhoods Chairs
7:10-7:30 p.m. Introductions from City Council Members
7:30-8:45 p.m. General Discussion and Questions from Audience
8:45 p.m. Social Time

The following topics were submitted by the Highlands and Norkirk Neighborhood Association Boards. These will be added to the list of questions submitted online by residents and answers will be distributed at the meeting and posted online.

Highlands

1. Why does it appear that we have more Police Officers than other cities do? What is the ratio of Police in Kirkland compared with other cities?
2. What is the status of the City building an indoor pool? (Preferably a wave pool, available for high school swim/dive teams.)
3. What is the status of the Parkplace redevelopment? Totem Lake Mall?

4. Would Council consider banning plastic shopping bags and to-go containers? What about discouraging the use of disposable plastic water bottles?
5. What is the status of City support for community events such as 4th of July, holidays, and concerts?
6. What is likely to happen at Potala Village?

Norkirk

7. Relating to Potala Village, what can be developed at the Market St. neighborhood business site? Could we run into any of the same problems/issues they have had at Potala Village?
8. What is the status of the regulations for the "pod" development at the Crab Cracker site? Will the City wait until we see how this one works out before allowing more? Or are more already allowed? Norkirk is interested in how the limited parking will work out.
9. How much height is allowed in the core part of downtown where there is still a small town/village feel?
10. How much interest does the City have in preserving the Cannery as an historic site? What can be done to facilitate this?
11. Marijuana retail—Will we have any input if there is a site proposed in our neighborhood? Can we prevent a retail site at Market and 15th, which is a safe school walk route crossing?
12. What has been proposed or discussed, if anything, during the visioning for the Comp Plan update about improving transportation/traffic on the N-S routes thru Kirkland (Market, Lake WA Boulevard, State St. etc.)?
13. Cross Kirkland Corridor—What is the most likely source of grants and what will be the priorities for how to spend any available money? What improvements would be priorities?

Attachment A outlines the timeline for receiving the questions and answers in advance of the meetings and a map of the areas. If you have any suggestions or changes to this schedule, please contact Kari Page at (425) 587-3011.

City Council Meetings in the Neighborhoods

2013

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City Council Meetings in the Neighborhoods 2013 Schedule	
	Spring 2013: no meeting – program evaluation
	Town Hall Meeting: City Council Chambers, City Hall June 9, 2013
	Everest Neighborhood: Houghton Fire Station, 6602 108 th Avenue Northeast October 16, 2013
	Norkirk and Highlands Neighborhoods: Maintenance Center, 915 8 th Street November 20, 2013

Milestone	
	Residents receive mailing and submit questions
	Regular Council meeting to finalize agenda
	Directors answer questions from residents
	City Council receives questions and answers
	City Council meeting with the Neighborhood

