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MEMORANDUM

To: Planning Commission
Houghton Community Council

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Date: September 1, 2016

Subject: Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center & 6th Street Corridor Study
File No. CAM12-00639

RECOMMENDATION

Receive update on Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center and 6th Street Corridor Study.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION

On September 16, 2014, the City Council passed Resolution R-5067 relating to the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center. The resolution provides a timeline for completion of the Neighborhood Center update process. It states that the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan amendments and zoning regulations and make final recommendations to the City Council by October 31, 2016. Staff will propose amendments to the resolution at the September 20, 2016 City Council meeting. The project is expected to extend into the beginning of next year.

The Planning Commission and Houghton Community Council also received a project overview from the consultant at the June 23, 2016 joint meeting. The packet for that meeting can be found at:
[http://www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/planning/Boards and Commissions/Planning Commission.htm](http://www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/planning/Boards_and_Commissions/Planning_Commission.htm)

CONSULTING TEAM

Staff has been working with the consulting team on the public outreach and initial study of the area over the summer. Here is a list of what has been accomplished and the plans for the fall.

August 1

Walking tour of the area (staff and consultants)

August 21

Everest Picnic – table with project information

August 22

Webpage and survey live at: <http://www.Kirklandwa.gov/HE6th>

August 23

Kirkland NextDoor – post to all neighborhoods about webpage and survey

Email blast to Central Houghton about webpage & survey

August 24

PCC table – distribute project information on webpage and survey

Information cards and fortune tellers to Peter Kirk Camp for kids to take home to parents

August 26

Kirkland listserv – Neighborhood Leaders about webpage and survey

August 27

Houghton Beach Park table – distribute project information

August 30

Kirkland listservs – Planning Commission, Comprehensive Plan, Design Review Board, and Houghton Community Council about webpage and survey

Email blast to Everest Neighborhood Association about webpage and survey

Post in KirklandViews Blog:

<http://www.kirklandviews.com/blog/2016/8/30/city-seeks-community-input-online-survey-will-help-identify-community-preferred-improvements>

August 31

Kirkland listserv - Transportation Commission about webpage and survey

Posters at various locations throughout the City – Starbucks, grocery stores, North Kirkland Community Center, Kirkland Library, Senior Center

CKC (near Google) – table with project information

September 1

Terrace Park soccer practice – table with project information

September 2

Juanita Farmers Market – table with project information

Week of September 6

Distribute information cards to employers along the 6th Street Corridor

September 9

Resend to all Kirkland listservs – reminder to take the survey before it closes

Resend to Kirkland NextDoor – reminder to take the survey before it closes

September 10

Crestwoods Park – table with project information

September 11

Everest Park – table with project information

September 12

NW University – table with project information

September 16

Survey closes

September 19

Moss Bay Neighborhood meeting (staff and consultants)

September 27

Everest Neighborhood meeting (staff and consultants)

October 5

Central Houghton Neighborhood meeting (staff and consultants)

At each neighborhood meeting we will provide an overview of the project, what has been done so far, and a review of key findings of the survey. We will also be promoting the October workshop.

Last Half of October

Community Workshop on Google Campus

November 2016 through February 2017

Staff and the consulting team will attend various Planning Commission, Transportation Commission, Houghton Community Council and City Council meetings from November 2016 through February 2017.

The consulting team has also been doing phone interviews with key neighborhood representatives and property owners and doing research on both land use and transportation issues.