East Bellevue Community Council
Summary Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 7, 2016
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Clubhouse
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Chair Capron, Vice Chair Hummer, and Councilmembers Gooding, Hughes, and Kasner

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: None.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. with Chair Capron presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

The Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All Councilmembers were present.

3. FLAG SALUTE

Chair Capron led the flag salute.

4. COMMUNICATIONS: WRITTEN AND ORAL

Keri Pravitz, Community Projects Manager, Puget Sound Energy (PSE), provided an update on the Energize Eastside project and the two new route options that bypass the East Bellevue Community Council jurisdiction. She reiterated PSE's invitation to meet with EBCC members, noting that Councilmember Kasner met with PSE staff, and Councilmember Hughes has scheduled a meeting for the near future.

Ms. Pravitz said PSE prefers to build the line along the existing utility corridor. However, it lies within the EBCC boundaries. She said the project is needed to serve Bellevue and other Eastside cities. She said PSE wants the community to understand the costs and impacts associated with the bypass routes.

Ms. Pravitz said the routes are located along SR 520 and wind through the BelRed corridor, Lake Bellevue, the Wilburton neighborhood, and Kelsey Creek Park area before rejoining the existing corridor to South Bellevue. Ms. Pravitz said PSE strongly prefers the Willow 2 route along the existing corridor because it presents the fewest impacts. She said it is important to keep the Energize Eastside project on schedule. PSE looks forward to continuing to work with the City of Bellevue, EBCC, and other Eastside communities to provide reliable power into the future. She

said PSE would like to meet with EBCC members individually and to provide an update during the August EBCC meeting.

5. REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

(a) Community Council Business and New Initiatives

Chair Capron said he invited PSE to provide a presentation for the August EBCC meeting, but he prefers to not meet privately. He would like information to be shared in a public meeting. He noted an article in the *Bellevue Reporter* indicating that the EBCC initiated legal action and makes arbitrary decisions. He clarified that the EBCC did not start legal action and does not make arbitrary decisions. Mr. Capron said he contacted the reporter to let him know that he was not aware of any efforts to contact Chair Capron or other EBCC members. The reporter said he attempted to contact Councilmember Kasner.

Councilmember Kasner reported that he met with PSE staff and he would like to add an agenda item later to respond to the *Bellevue Reporter* article. He said Ms. Pravitz addressed the article before the City Council the previous evening.

Mr. Kasner said he was charged by the EBCC to work on future Capital Investment Program (CIP) projects within the community council's boundaries. He attended the Transportation Commission meeting and conveyed the EBCC's lack of support for the SE 16th Street project. He attended the May 21 neighborhood leaders conference sponsored by the City.

Mr. Kasner said he met with Dan Stroh, Planning Director, to talk about future subarea planning. He learned that the process will not begin for 6-9 months, and Northtowne will be the first area to be studied. Mr. Kasner said he has scheduled a meeting with Terry Cullen, the City's new Comprehensive Planning Manager. He met with Jim Maloney of Cosmos Development Company regarding the upcoming grand opening celebration at Lake Hills Village.

Mr. Kasner said he and Councilmember Hughes attended the Lake Hills Neighborhood Association meeting, which included a discussion about the neighborhood picnic on July 23. Mr. Kasner said he attended the most recent Movies that Matter night, and he met Police Chief Steve Mylett at the June 6 City Council meeting.

Councilmember Hughes said he attended the Planning Commission meeting, which included a discussion about a potential development site behind the Mormon Temple on 148th Avenue SE. He noted that the site includes a nesting area for Great Horned Owls.

Mr. Hughes said he has been coordinating with the local Islamic community to identify opportunities for networking and education.

Mr. Hughes expressed concern that low-income families at Highland Village, including 85 students in Bellevue schools, will be evicted this fall for redevelopment of the site.

Councilmember Hummer reported that she attended a meeting of the King Country Metro Long-Range Plan Community Advisory Group, of which she is a member. She referred the public to www.kcmetrovision.org for more information, including an interactive map demonstrating the long-range plan.

Councilmember Hummer said she attended the Low Impact Development (LID) community meeting in the Lakemont neighborhood. She attended a meeting coordinated by the City of Bellevue at Bellevue College to provide the opportunity for residents to meet the architect and builder of new student housing. The first of three proposed buildings will be built in the north parking lot.

Ms. Hummer encouraged the public to check the legal notices in *The Seattle Times* sports section for notices regarding public hearings and meetings. She referred residents to www.nextdoor.com as a resource to access and share neighborhood and community information. Ms. Hummer said Mindy Garner, a local realtor, supplied the signs placed on Lake Hills Boulevard to publicize the EBCC meetings.

Referring to the article in the *Bellevue Reporter* about the Energize Eastside project, Ms. Hummer said the East Bellevue Community Council took no legal action against Puget Sound Energy and did not arbitrarily deny PSE's permit application. Ms. Hummer invited PSE representatives to provide comments during the oral communications agenda item at EBCC meetings. She prefers to not meet with PSE individually.

Councilmember Hummer invited the public to contact her via EBCC@bellevuewa.gov with any questions, suggestions, or concerns and/or to meet with her. She referred the public to the City's web site for more information on the EBCC as well. She said residents may sign up for email alerts regarding Boards, Commissions, the weekly permit bulletin, and other topics.

Councilmember Gooding said he has been busy traveling and working.

Councilmember Hughes said the deadline for applying for the next Bellevue Essential class is July 15. Classes are held once a week for eight weeks in the fall. He said the course was both informative and fun, and each City Councilmember attends one of the classes to meet the participants and share information.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Kasner moved to revise Agenda Item 8(b) to change "Administrative Conditional Use Permit" to "Design Review." Chair Capron seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kasner moved to add Agenda Item 12(e), Grand Opening Ceremony at Lake Hills Village. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The agenda was approved, as amended, by consensus.

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS: None.

8. PUBLIC/COURTESY HEARINGS

(a) Courtesy Hearing regarding Kelsey Creek Building E Design Review

Liz Stead, Urban Design Planning Manager, provided an update on the Kelsey Creek Building E project. The project involves a design review application and SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act) review. The building is in the northwest corner of Kelsey Creek Shopping Center and will include a medical office and retail space. The City will accept public comment until the Director issues a decision in approximately two months, at the earliest. There will be a two-week comment and appeal period following the decision.

Brian Franklin, PMF Investments, said the site was acquired last year and the company has worked with the EBCC to develop a project that can be supported by the community.

Michael Chen, Project Manager with Mackenzie, described the project, which is designed for two tenant spaces (i.e., medical and commercial) and includes 26 parking spaces. The project will utilize the existing driveways off Main Street and 148th Avenue. Mr. Chen presented and described drawings of the building and site. He said Mackenzie is working with the City's Transportation Department to address potential egress modifications.

Councilmember Hughes moved to open the courtesy hearing. Councilmember Hummer seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

Ken Seal expressed concern that the access point south of the building is too close to the corner, and that drivers might attempt a left turn onto 148th Avenue to go south.

Dwight Friesen thanked Community Councilmembers and everyone else involved in moving the project forward. He questioned the project timeline and whether it would be possible to provide interim activities at the corner.

Mr. Franklin said the project is in the design review phase with the City. Construction is anticipated to begin this year, with the businesses tentatively opening in March. He opined it would not be feasible to have a temporary use on the site.

Chair Capron thanked Ms. Stead for attending the meeting. Councilmember Hummer concurred and encouraged residents to take the opportunity to meet City staff and elected officials who attend the EBCC meetings. She said City Councilmember Robertson is the Council liaison to the EBCC.

Graham Siebe expressed concern about the traffic at the shopping center at the intersection of 148th Avenue and Main Street, noting that cars are cutting through the apartment complex parking lot.

Chair Capron said the traffic light replacement in the near future should help to better manage the traffic at the intersection. He observed that the shopping center generates a small percentage of the overall traffic flow on 148th Avenue.

Councilmember Kasner said he hopes that traffic and pedestrian impacts will be fully analyzed as part of the project review.

Councilmember Hughes encouraged visitors to the shopping center to use the driveway farther from 148th Avenue, which generally has light traffic usage.

Ms. Stead said the City will conduct a traffic analysis as part of the project process.

Chair Capron closed the courtesy hearing.

(b) Courtesy Hearing regarding Highland Village Townhomes Design Review

David Wong, Associate Land Use Planner, said the Highland Village Townhomes project involves a SEPA review and design review. The comment period is currently open and closes when the decision is issued. After the decision, there is a two-week appeal period.

Anna Thompson, Milbrandt Architects, said the site is located at NE 8th Street and 146th Avenue NE, and there are currently 12 residential buildings. The developer proposes a development of 19 buildings containing three to six units each. Ms. Thompson described the project elements, including the Northwest contemporary style buildings. The maximum building height is 30 feet.

Councilmember Hummer moved to open the courtesy hearing. Councilmember Kasner seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Responding to Irene Fernandes, Ms. Thompson said the housing units will be townhomes.

Scott Cates said he lives adjacent to the site. He is encouraged about the transformation of the rental property into private homes, which he believes will have a positive impact on surrounding property values. He expressed concern regarding privacy because the buildings will be taller and overlooking his yard.

Ms. Thompson said the City requires a transition zone, which is proposed as a 30-foot landscape buffer and screening. She said there will be only one unit facing his property.

Mr. Wong said the code requires plantings that create a storied effect with vegetation of different heights.

Mr. Cates questioned the plan for underground garages. Ms. Thompson said the goal is to eliminate surface parking and to optimize the use of the land.

Sarah Matthews said there have been concerns from current residents about the project. She said her best friend lives in the apartment complex with several family members in a one-bedroom apartment. The family is having a difficult time finding another affordable place to live.

Lis Soldano, Intracorp, said the residents have not yet been given notice to vacate the property.

Councilmember Hughes said there are few remaining affordable apartments in Bellevue. He expressed concern about the nearly 100 Bellevue School District students and their families who will be displaced. He said the City Council is beginning to develop an affordable housing strategy, and this is unfortunate timing with few or no affordable options. He said Bellevue College students also live in the apartments. Mr. Hughes said he is very concerned about the current residents.

Ms. Soldano said Intracorp has reached out to residents and provided a relocation specialist to help the individuals find affordable housing. She offered to provide contact information to residents who would like to meet with the specialist.

Paul Bell questioned whether the City's review process considers whether affordable housing can be replaced in another part of Bellevue. Mr. Wong said that is not part of the review process. However, he noted that A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) has information on affordable housing units on the Eastside.

Councilmember Kasner said he is not comfortable with his neighbors leaving. He questioned whether there is an affordable housing component to the project. He opined that the project should be phased to allow individuals to move out gradually, and that it should include affordable units.

Responding to Councilmember Hughes, Ms. Soldano said Intracorp does not yet own the property and has not issued eviction notices. The current property owner also has not issued eviction notices. Intracorp is in the permitting and design review process.

Chair Capron noted that the courtesy hearing is focused on the project's design review, and the residents will work with the developers and others to resolve housing needs.

Responding to Councilmember Hummer, Mr. Wong said the City does not require affordable housing units as part of the project.

Ken Seal noted that the City does not control the housing market and does not own any affordable or subsidized housing.

Veronica Lechler, a Highland Village resident, said she received a letter indicating that the sale of the property would close in November.

Councilmember Kasner questioned the timing of the design review process and comment period.

Mr. Wong said the current comment period will close when the permit decision is issued, which is anticipated to occur in 2-4 months. He invited the public to call or email comments to him. Mr. Wong noted the City's heavy workload with current development and said the Highland Village

review will be fairly extensive as well. After the decision is issued, there will be a two-week appeal period.

In further response to Mr. Kasner, Mr. Wong said the property is currently zoned as R-20 (20 units per acre). Mr. Wong said design review does not address affordable housing unless it is proposed by the applicant. He said the permit is resolved by the Director's decision and does not go before the City Council.

Mr. Kasner said he would like a report of the timeline and where people can go to provide comments before and during design review.

Hearing no further comments, Chair Capron closed the courtesy hearing.

At 8:02 p.m., Mr. Capron declared a brief recess. The meeting resumed at 8:10 p.m.

(c) Courtesy Hearing regarding Eastgate Land Use Code Amendments

Trish Byers, Code Development Manager, provided the staff report on the Eastgate Land Use Code Amendments.

Responding to Chair Capron, Ms. Byers said two rezone parcels included in the amendments are in the EBCC jurisdiction. She announced an open house regarding the overall Eastgate Land Use Code Amendments to be held June 8. Three new districts are proposed to realize the Eastgate/I-90 Land Use Citizen Advisory Committee's (CAC) vision reflected in its report published in 2012.

Responding to Councilmember Kasner, Ms. Byers said the two parcels in the EBCC area are the Champion Center and the Shell Gas Station on 148th Avenue SE.

Continuing, Ms. Byers said the three districts proposed for the Eastgate area are transit-oriented development (Mixed Use), office and limited business (OLB 2) with neighborhood amenities such as dry cleaners and restaurants, and the neighborhood mix use (NMU) district at Eastgate Plaza where Albertson's grocery store is located.

Ms. Byers said Comprehensive Plan Amendments to enable the implementation of the land use plan were adopted in 2015. Needed transportation plan amendments are included in the 2016-2027 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) and in the 2015-2021 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. She said the Planning Commission discussed the Land Use Code amendments during 10 meetings over 2015 and 2016.

Ms. Byers said tomorrow's open house would be held at City Hall from 5:00-7:30 PM. A public hearing on the Land Use Code amendments is scheduled for 6:30 PM on June 22 at Bellevue College, Room N-201.

The Champion Center is currently in the Professional Office zone, and the Shell station is in the Neighborhood Business (NB) district. Both are proposed to be rezoned to Community Business (CB). The CAC determined that it was important for Bellevue College to develop a more visible

entrance to the campus on 148th Avenue SE. The Champion Center requested the zoning change to accommodate its existing coffee shop.

Responding to Councilmember Kasner, Ms. Byers said Bellevue College officials support the proposed rezone.

Ms. Byers said the Community Business zone serves community markets and provides areas for the location of services and retail outlets, other than the Downtown. The Professional Office zone provides areas for low-intensity office uses. The Neighborhood Business zone is a small-scale mixed use commercial area with housing, retail and service businesses. The CB designation will allow more types of uses.

Ms. Byers said the OLB 2 designation anticipated for the Eastgate Plaza area allows an area of integrated complexes of offices, hotels/motels, eating and drinking establishments, and retail sales. The maximum building height is 75 feet and the floor-area ratio (FAR) is proposed at 1.0. The current FAR for the area is 0.5, and OLB districts to not include housing. However, the proposed NMU district provides a mix of retail, services, office and residential uses. The building height and FAR are the same as the OLB district. Ms. Byers said the CAC recommended adding pedestrian and bike facilities to the Eastgate area to provide connectivity and to balance the current automobile usage.

Responding to Councilmember Kasner, Ms. Byers said the Eastgate TOD is very different than the planned BelRed TOD nodes to meet the unique needs of each area. The Eastgate TOD proposes a 2.0 FAR and a maximum 160-foot building height. The FAR could be increased to 3.0 for developments including affordable housing, open space, or public restrooms. Parking garages are limited to a height of 45 feet.

Responding to Councilmember Kasner, Ms. Byers said a decision has not yet been made about whether the greenway included in the Eastgate Land Use Plan will be on the north or south side of I-90.

Ms. Byers said she would be back to provide an update as the project moves forward.

Councilmember Hummer moved to open the courtesy hearing. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Responding to Ms. Hummer, Ms. Byers said the transition area around Eastgate Plaza could shorten building heights compared to the rest of the site. In further response, Ms. Byers said the changes would allow a broader range of uses at the Shell station and Champion Center sites. The land use plan does not affect the Bellevue College campus.

Responding to Paul Bell in the audience, Ms. Byers said housing would be allowed in the Eastgate Plaza TOD and potentially in the NMU district if it is redeveloped.

Chair Capron said he would like to see the change for the Champion Center site to accommodate its coffee shop as a permitted use. He expressed support for an enhanced gateway to Bellevue College as well.

Responding to Alice Wang, Ms. Byers said marijuana business uses will not be allowed in any of the land use districts included in the Eastgate Plan.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Chair Capron closed the hearing.

(d) Public Hearing to consider emergency Ordinance No. 6286 regarding Interim Zoning Controls regulating Recreational Marijuana Retailers.

Catherine Drews, Assistant City Attorney, reported that City Council Ordinance No. 6286 adopted on June 7 established interim zoning controls limiting the number of marijuana retailers to one in each of the following subareas: BelRed, Crossroads, Downtown, Wilburton, Eastgate and Factoria. The ordinance also requires a 100-foot separation between a marijuana retailer and a residential zone. A public hearing on Ordinance No. 6286 is scheduled for June 20, 2016 before the City Council.

Councilmember Hummer moved to open the public hearing. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Responding to Councilmember Kasner, Mr. Drews said there are no sites within the East Bellevue jurisdiction that would allow a marijuana business.

Alice Wang, representing Parents Against Marijuana Near Schools (PAMNS), expressed support for the ordinance.

Paul Bell said Bellevue College receives federal funding and marijuana usage is not allowed on campus or at college events.

Yumin Li questioned why the 100-foot separation is not wider. Ms. Drews said the interim ordinance is in place for six months, and staff will study the appropriate distance of the separation. She was not involved in proposing the 100-foot distance but said it could be based on the 100-foot transition zone between other uses. She said there are very few sites adjacent to residential zones.

Responding to Dwight Friesen, Ms. Drews said there are three marijuana producer-processors and three stores operating in Bellevue. She said there are currently two applications under review by the State Liquor Cannabis Board and the City, but no permits have been issued.

Councilmember Kasner encouraged the City Council to adopt permanent regulations without extending the interim controls for six additional months. Chair Capron concurred.

Hearing no further comments, Chair Capron closed the public hearing.

9. RESOLUTIONS

(a) Consideration of Resolution No. 556 regarding City Council Ordinance No. 6286

Councilmember Hughes moved to adopt Resolution No. 556 approving City Council Ordinance No. 6286. Vice Chair Hummer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**: None.

11. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**: None.

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

(a) Potential Future Agenda Items

- Presentation regarding relaunch of MyBellevue App (August)
- PSE's Energize Eastside Presentation (August)
- Courtesy Hearing regarding Low Impact Development (LID) Principles (August)

There was no discussion.

(b) Low Impact Development Principles Update

Ms. Drews provided a briefing on the Low Impact Development (LID) Principles project. The objective of LID is to mimic the pre-development conditions of the area with regard to vegetation and the management of stormwater runoff. The three primary principles are to minimize: 1) impervious surfaces, 2) the loss of native vegetation, and 3) stormwater runoff.

Responding to Chair Capron, Ms. Drews confirmed that Kelsey Creek shopping center and Lewis Creek Park are examples of LID principles.

Ms. Drews said discharges into the City's stormwater system must comply with the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Staff is evaluating options, including suggestions from the public, for implementing LID principles. Ms. Drews said the program helps to enhance the City's tree canopy and supports the Environmental Stewardship Initiative (ESI), Downtown Livability Initiative, and the Eastgate/I-90 Plan.

Ms. Drews said public workshops were held at different locations within Bellevue on September 30, 2015; October 6, 2015; October 15, 2015; and December 9, 2015. Approximately 100 public comments have been received to date and are available on the City's web site. Open houses were held on May 17, 18 and 19, 2016.

Ms. Drews described examples of best management practices to implement LID including rain gardens, vegetation, permeable pavement, and others. She highlighted written materials in the meeting packet providing the Land Use Code proposals, LID project principles, and the City Council's Interest Statement. She said the regulations provide a certain level of flexibility if the

preferred BMPs are not possible on a specific site. The City will produce a citizen manual of the LID program. Ms. Drews said the Utilities Department has mapped Bellevue to provide a starting point for determining LID requirements for specific properties. She said the City will provide a list of recommended vegetation within the appropriate contexts.

Next steps include ongoing discussions with the Transportation Commission (June 9, 6:30 PM, City Hall), Planning Commission (June 22), and the City Council; with a courtesy hearing on August 2 before the EBCC. The City Council is scheduled to adopt regulations on November 21, and the final hearing before the EBCC is anticipated December 6.

Ms. Drews said all City documents related to the LID principles project are provided on the City's web site. The Land Use Code amendments must be in place by the end of this year.

Responding to Councilmember Hughes, Ms. Drews said the Highland Village Townhomes project is vested to current stormwater regulations if the permit is issued before December 31, 2016.

Chair Capron thanked Ms. Drews for the presentation.

(c) Discussion of Councilmember Requests

Chair Capron commented on the importance of making good use of staff support and suggested establishing a guideline for EBCC members.

Councilmember Hummer noted that her request for historical information on electric substations and power lines was intended as an individual public disclosure request, separate from her EBCC role.

Councilmember Kasner observed that requests are not typically urgent in nature. He suggested that EBCC members discuss their request with staff to reach an agreement on a feasible timeline for providing the requested information.

Chair Capron asked the Deputy City Clerk to prepare a memo summarizing that guideline. Ms. Hummer said she typically discusses potential requests with Mr. Capron before talking to anyone else.

(d) Capital Investment Program (CIP) Update regarding projects in EBCC jurisdictional boundaries.

Councilmember Kasner said he attended the meeting of the Transportation Commission, which was understanding and supportive of the EBCC's concerns about the SE 16th Street bike lane and sidewalk project. He said the project is currently in the Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) but not in the Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. He said staff suggested addressing the project during the next TFP update. Mr. Kasner said he provided comments to the City Council on the project as well. He questioned whether an EBCC member would be interested in providing comments to the Parks and Community Services Board during a future meeting.

Responding to Chair Capron, Mr. Kasner said there is a project for $6.8 million to enhance bike lanes throughout Bellevue. The SE 16th Street project is not funded. However, Mr. Kasner suggested it would be helpful to gain an understanding of the Parks Board's discussions about bike lanes.

Responding to Mr. Capron, the Deputy City Clerk said she would request a presentation from staff.

Councilmember Hummer said she spoke with a Transportation staff person in February about the bicycle implementation plan and requested a presentation to the EBCC.

(e) Grand Opening Ceremony for Lake Hills Village

Councilmember Kasner said the grand opening of Lake Hills Village is scheduled for July 9 and that he would try to attend if he is in town. Chair Capron said he would be out of town. Councilmember Hughes, Hummer and Gooding said they would try to attend the event.

(f) Puget Sound Energy Energize Eastside project – *Bellevue Reporter* Article

Chair Capron noted Councilmember Kasner's interest in discussing the *Bellevue Reporter* article about the Puget Sound Energy (PSE) bypass routes for the Energize Eastside project. Mr. Capron said he did not support providing an official EBCC response to the article. He said he emailed the reporter to highlight inaccuracies, and Councilmembers Kasner and Hughes met with the editor.

Councilmember Hughes said the 148th Avenue route identified for PSE's separate Lake Hills Transmission Line project, denied by the EBCC, is through an area without power lines. That matter is before the appeals court.

Mr. Hughes said the Energize Eastside project affects only a small section of four existing power poles within the EBCC jurisdiction. He observed that PSE should not assume that the EBCC would oppose the Energize Eastside project that replaces existing infrastructure.

Chair Capron concurred with Mr. Hughes.

Councilmember Hummer said it is disappointing that PSE sends representatives to EBCC meetings, but they do not take advantage of the public comment period during the meeting to provide information on their projects. She opined that PSE slandered the EBCC in the news article. She said EBCC members are volunteers doing the best they can to support their constituents.

Councilmember Kasner said he attended the recent City Council meeting to comment on the budget. A PSE representative spoke during the same meeting about the new bypass routes. He said certain City Councilmembers were uncomfortable that the alternatives were presented late in the public comment period.

Councilmember Kasner said comments in the *Bellevue Reporter* article that the EBCC's decision was "arbitrary and capricious" and that the EBCC created the litigation with PSE are slanderous. He said a court decision ruled that the EBCC had the legal authority and the necessary substantial evidence to support the decision. He said the EBCC responded to litigation initiated by Puget Sound Energy.

Councilmember Kasner moved to provide a formal EBCC response to PSE's comments and the *Bellevue Reporter* article. There was no second. Mr. Kasner said he would respond as an individual.

13. **CONTINUED COMMUNICATIONS**: None.

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**: None.

15. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

(a) Summary Special Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2016

Councilmember Hummer moved to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2016 Special Meeting, and Mr. Hughes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) Summary Special Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2016

Councilmember Gooding moved to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2016 Special Meeting, and Chair Capron seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(c) Summary Regular Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2016

Councilmember Gooding moved to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2016 Regular Meeting, and Chair Capron seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:53 p.m., Chair Capron declared the meeting adjourned.

Charmaine Arredondo
Deputy City Clerk

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