

East Bellevue Community Council
Summary Minutes of Regular Meeting

July 7, 2009
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Community Clubhouse
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Chair Kasner, Vice Chair Elwin, and Councilmembers Erwin, Gooding, and Seal

ABSENT: None.

GUEST: Merle Keeney, Chair, Parks and Community Services Board

STAFF: Catherine Drews, Development Services
Sally Nichols, Development Services
Toni Pratt, Development Services

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Chair Kasner presiding.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call by the Clerk, all Councilmembers were present. Chair Kasner led the flag salute.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS - WRITTEN AND ORAL**

Merle Keeney, Chair of the Parks and Community Services Board, provided an update on the Board's activities. Current and upcoming projects include updating the Parks and Open Space System Plan, as well as master planning for Eastgate Park and Meydenbauer Bay Park. Chair Kasner requested copies of the 2003 Parks System Plan for the Council.

Mr. Keeney responded to brief questions from the Council, and reminded them of the information on the City's web site regarding the park system. The Parks Board meets the second Tuesday of every month at City Hall.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Erwin moved to approve the agenda. Vice Chair Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING**

- (a) Ordinance No. 5876 amending Bellevue Land Use Code relating to ensuring consistency with new Bel-Red Overlay

Chair Kasner opened the public hearing regarding Ordinance No. 5876.

Catherine Drews, Legal Planner, provided an overview of Ordinance No. 5876 amending the Bellevue Land Use Code relating to ensuring consistency with the new Bel-Red Overlay. She briefly reviewed new sections addressing pet daycare services and veterinary services [Page 12 of meeting packet]. Ms. Drews then referred the Council to page 65 for code language applicable to subordinate uses which are located on the same lot or within the same structure as a permitted or principal use.

Ms. Drews responded to brief questions of clarification.

The Clerk explained that the ordinance was adopted by the City Council on May 18, 2009. The Community Council's enabling statute RCW 35.14.040 provides that any ordinance applying to land, buildings or structures within community council corporation shall become effective either on approval by the community council or by failure to disapprove within 60 days of final enactment. If the Community Council takes no action tonight, it will be automatically approved.

Chair Kasner closed the public hearing by a consensus of the Council.

COURTESY HEARINGS

- (b) Shopping Cart Land Use Code Amendment

Chair Kasner opened the courtesy hearing regarding the shopping cart Land Use Code Amendment.

Ms. Drews referred the Council to the packet materials including the staff report regarding the Shopping Cart Management Land Use Code Amendment, the draft ordinance, a table depicting shopping cart collection and retrieval options, and a summary of the results of staff's monitoring and education efforts regarding abandoned shopping carts since October 2006.

The Land Use Code Amendment specifies cart management requirements to be applied to wholesalers and retailers who offer shopping carts to customers including the designation of a cart containment area, signage warning against the unauthorized removal of carts, and labels on carts identifying the owner. The amendment provides a cross reference to Bellevue City Code requirements that define abandoned shopping carts as a nuisance.

Responding to Chair Kasner, Ms. Drews said abandoned shopping carts are frequently found along 148th and 156th Avenues, many in multifamily developments. Mr. Kasner suggested involving youths in a cart retrieval program.

Vice Chair Elwin encouraged residents to consider purchasing small carts for personal use.

Chair Kasner closed the courtesy hearing by consensus.

(c) Islamic Center Eastside Design Review

Sally Nichols, Land Use Planner, said the City recently received an application for an administrative Design Review approval and SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act) determination for the construction of a new mosque and prayer hall at 14700 Main Street on a .53-acre site. The mosque currently on the site will be demolished as part of the proposal.

Robert Hall, Pacific Rim Architecture, described the proposal to construct a small, three-story structure, which is located in a neighborhood that is home to a number of mosque members. Parking will be provided under the structure, and additional parking is available through a longstanding agreement with the Latter Day Saints Stake Center next door. Mr. Hall described additional design details of the proposal.

Responding to Chair Kasner, Ms. Nichols explained that the site is in an office zoned district, and a religious building is a permitted use. Because it is adjacent to residential zoning districts, it falls within the Transition Area Design District.

Responding to Mr. Kasner, Mr. Hall estimated that completion of the project will occur most likely in 2011. In further response, Salin Dada, a mosque representative, said no significant increase in membership is anticipated. The new building will provide a multipurpose room and classrooms, and landscaping on the site will be enhanced.

Ms. Nichols said the community is generally supportive of the project.

Chair Kasner opened the courtesy hearing. Seeing no one wishing to speak, by Council consensus, the courtesy hearing was closed.

6. **RESOLUTIONS**

- (a) Resolution 506/506A Approving/Disapproving Ordinance No. 5876

Councilmember Seal moved to approve Resolution No. 506 adopting Ordinance No. 5876. Vice Chair Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

7. **REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS:** None.

8. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- (a) St. Louise Parish School Update

Toni Pratt, Senior Planner, provided an update on the St. Louise Parish School Master Plan. The Parish has received approval of an Administrative Conditional Use Permit for a five-phased Master Plan to upgrade the school. Four detached buildings will be demolished to allow construction of the first phase. Demolition is slated to start June 22, 2009. Phase I and Phase II work will be completed by August 2010.

Kevin Broderick, Broderick Architects, recalled a previous presentation to the Community Council approximately one year ago. He reviewed additional details of the Master Plan including design features, landscaping, setbacks and building heights.

Mr. Broderick responded to questions of clarification from the Council. He noted that the Parish is working with City staff on a transportation plan. Most of the students walk or are driven to school by an adult.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

(a) Appointment of Statement Committees for 2009 Voters Pamphlet

Councilmember Seal moved to appoint Jim Bell to the Pro Committee for the 2009 Voters Pamphlet, to write the statement in favor of continuing the East Bellevue Community Council. Vice Chair Elwin seconded the motion.

Chair Kasner noted that no other applications to serve on the committees have been received.

The motion to appoint Jim Bell to the Pro Statement Committee for the 2009 Voters Pamphlet carried by a vote of 5-0.

11. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

12. **CONTINUED COMMUNICATIONS**

(a) Traffic Standards Code Amendment [Written report]

(b) Proposed Bellevue Shoreline Jurisdiction [Written report]

Chair Kasner noted the two reports in the meeting packet, as requested by the Council at a previous meeting.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

14. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilmember Seal moved to approve the Summary Minutes of the June 2, 2009, East Bellevue Community Council meeting. Vice Chair Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Erwin moved to adjourn, and Councilmember Seal seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

At 8:06 p.m., Chair Kasner declared the meeting adjourned.

Michelle Murphy, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

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