

**East Bellevue Community Council**  
Summary Minutes of Regular Meeting

September 6, 2005  
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Community Clubhouse  
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Chair Bell, Vice Chair Keeffe, and Councilmembers Eder, Seal<sup>1</sup> and Wiechmann

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Drew Folsom – Planning and Community Development

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call by the Clerk, all Councilmembers except Mr. Seal were present. Chair Bell led the flag salute.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS - WRITTEN AND ORAL**

Mr. Eder received a memo from City staff regarding the Crossroads Bellevue Shopping Center update planning process. A public meeting will be held at the center on September 13, 4:30-7:00 p.m., near the Pier One store. He noted a new Ace Hardware store opening soon near the new Crossroads Bartell. The old Bartell store is becoming a Shoe Pavilion.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Keeffe requested the addition of agenda item 11(a), Crossroads Subarea Neighborhood Enhancement Project.

Mr. Eder requested adding 10(a), Emergency Preparedness.

Mr. Keeffe moved to approve the agenda, as amended. Mr. Eder seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 4-0.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

6. **RESOLUTIONS:** None.

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Seal arrived at 8:05 p.m.

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

8. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

(a) Hidden Pines Short Plat – 05-114687

Chair Bell noted materials regarding Hidden Pines Short Plat in the Council packet beginning on page 1.

Drew Folsom, Assistant Planner, described the Hidden Pines Five-Lot Short Plat proposed at 1830 145<sup>th</sup> Place SE, a couple of blocks from the QFC store. A house is currently being demolished on the property. The property is zoned R-5 (5 units per acre) and designated as single family-high density in the Wilburton/NE 8<sup>th</sup> Street Subarea Plan.

Responding to Councilmembers, Mr. Folsom explained that access to the site will be off of the undeveloped right-of-way of 144<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, which will be developed as a road by the owner/developer. He said the short plat proposal has been reviewed and approved by the Fire Department.

Responding to Mr. Eder, Mr. Folsom said two signs regarding the proposal are posted at the site and notices have been published in the City's Weekly Permit Bulletin.

Mr. Folsom responded to additional questions of clarification.

Mr. Keeffe suggested the developer install a trail to connect all five lots to the adjacent park.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

(a) Emergency Preparedness

Mr. Eder noted the importance of coordination between agencies in an emergency. He said the New City Hall will have an Emergency Operations Center.

Mr. Eder distributed a draft memo regarding emergency preparedness for review by the Community Council and suggested sending it to the City Council and City Manager.

Mr. Keeffe noted the City has an Emergency Preparedness Plan. Mr. Eder feels there is a need to train more citizens in emergency preparedness.

Chair Bell explained that the New City Hall has undergone extensive seismic upgrades and will be a secure facility in an emergency. He suggested an article about this in *It's Your City*.

Ms. Murphy said the City's Emergency Preparedness Plan is available to the public on the City's web site. Emergency Operations meetings are held monthly and drills are organized on an ongoing basis.

Chair Bell noted Council consensus to draft a letter to Tim Waters, Communications Director, with the suggestion for an article on emergency preparedness in *It's Your City*.

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

- (a) Crossroads Subarea Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP)

Mr. Keffe noted receipt of information regarding the Crossroads Subarea Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP).

Ms. Wiechmann suggested litter cleanup and enhanced landscaping and flower plantings around bus stops and on some private properties along the street. She said trash cans at bus stops are not emptied frequently enough.

12. **CONTINUED COMMUNICATIONS**

Responding to Mr. Eder, Chair Bell explained that state law requires absences to be excused if an elected official misses three consecutive meetings. If an elected official misses more than three meetings, he or she can be removed from the position.

Chair Bell noted an article in *It's Your City* providing updates on citywide projects including several projects in East Bellevue.

Chair Bell announced that Kate Berens has been appointed as the new Deputy City Attorney. There was Council consensus to send a letter of congratulations and appreciation to Ms. Berens.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**: None.

14. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Keffe moved to approve the Summary Minutes of the August 2, 2005 meeting. Mr. Eder seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Keffe moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Eder seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn carried by a vote of 5-0.

At 8:16 p.m., Chair Bell declared the meeting adjourned.

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Michelle Murphy, CMC  
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