

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

April 1, 2008  
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Community Clubhouse  
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Chair Bell, Vice Chair Kasner, and Councilmembers Elwin and Seal

ABSENT: Councilmember Gooding

STAFF: Nicholas Matz, Planning and Community Development

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. with Chair Bell presiding.

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

3. **COMMUNICATIONS - WRITTEN AND ORAL:** None.

Councilmember Seal announced that Puget Sound Energy is holding a community meeting at this location on April 2 regarding electrical facilities and equipment. Nicholas Matz, Senior Planner, said PSE is seeking public comment on alignment alternatives for the proposed transmission line between Phantom Lake and Lake Hills. PSE has not yet submitted a permit application for the line.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Seal moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 4-0.

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- (a) Ordinance No. 5800 adopting 2007 Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan amending the Capital Facilities General Element

Nicholas Matz, Senior Planner, referred to the meeting packet and briefly reviewed Ordinance No. 5800 regarding minor amendments to the Capital Facilities General Element of the

Comprehensive Plan. The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 5800 on February 25. The East Bellevue Community Council held a courtesy public hearing on the proposed CPA on December 4, 2007. No public comments were received at that time.

Chair Bell opened the public hearing, and no one came forward to comment.

Vice Chair Kasner moved to close the public hearing, and Councilmember Elwin seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Matz responded to brief questions of clarification.

- (b) Ordinance No. 5802 adopting 2007 Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan amending the Utilities General Element

Mr. Matz provided the staff report on 2007 Comprehensive Plan Amendments (CPAs) to the Utilities General Element. The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 5802 on February 25, 2008. The amendments are focused on balancing community interests with the needs of utilities providers in the siting of electrical facilities. Mr. Matz referred to page 12 of the meeting packet and noted sections of the ordinance focused on ensuring the reliability of electrical service. The Comprehensive Plan amendments define sensitive and non-sensitive facility sitings, and focus policy and regulatory scrutiny on sensitive facilities.

Chair Bell opened the public hearing, and no one came forward to comment.

Councilmember Seal moved to close the public hearing, and Councilmember Elwin seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Matz responded to questions of clarification.

Responding to Mr. Kasner, Mr. Matz explained that one criteria for designating a sensitive siting is based on how soon PSE plans to add or expand the facility.

- (c) Ordinance No. 5805 amending the Land Use Code relating to Electrical Utility Facilities

Mr. Matz described Land Use Code amendments that complement the Comprehensive Plan Amendments pertaining to Electrical Utility Facilities. The LUCA incorporates the definitions of sensitive and non-sensitive electrical utility facilities into the Code and outlines the respective permit processes.

Chair Bell opened the public hearing, and no one came forward to comment.

Councilmember Elwin moved to close the public hearing, and Vice Chair Kasner seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Matz responded to questions of clarification. He noted that facility sitings are based to a large degree on Puget Sound Energy's existing power grid system.

6. **RESOLUTIONS**

- (a) Resolution 499/499A regarding City Council Ordinance No. 5800

Councilmember Seal moved to adopt Resolution No. 499 approving City Council Ordinance No. 5800. Mr. Kasner seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 4-0.

- (b) Resolution 500/500A regarding City Council Ordinance No. 5802

Vice Chair Kasner moved to adopt Resolution No. 500 approving City Council Ordinance No. 5802. Mr. Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 4-0.

- (c) Resolution 501/501A regarding City Council Ordinance No. 5805

Councilmember Seal moved to adopt Resolution No. 501 approving City Council Ordinance No. 5805. Mr. Kasner seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 4-0.

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

8. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- (a) Cairnes Short Plat Application

The Clerk explained that staff requested pulling this item from the agenda at this time.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

11. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

12. **CONTINUED COMMUNICATIONS**

- (a) City of Bellevue Flood Control Program project on 153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SE

Chair Bell noted the memo beginning on page 44 of the meeting packet responding to the Council's request for information on the City's Flood Control Program.

Chair Bell announced that Cheryl Kuhn, Neighborhood Outreach Manager, has scheduled a get-together on Friday, April 11 for those who participated in the stakeholder group during the Lake Hills Shopping Center community planning process.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

14. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Kasner moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Elwin seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

At 7:23 p.m., Chair Bell declared the meeting adjourned.

Michelle Murphy, CMC  
Deputy City Clerk

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