



# STUDY SESSION NOTES

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## Joint Study Session with Planning Commission May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Mayor Odell opened the joint study session with the Planning Commission and the Sammamish City Council at 6:30 p.m.

### Open Study Session

6:30 pm

### Public Comment

*This is an opportunity for the public to address the Council. Three-minutes limit per person or 5 minutes if representing the official position of a recognized community organization.*

Gregory Kipp, 3011 211<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE – Has regularly been attending Planning Commission meetings on the ECA update. In February he asked how the city calculates allowable density on acreage on property in the critical areas be included in the scope that they are undertaking. Currently the allowable density is calculated after the critical area acreage is taken out. He believes this should be addressed at this time in this study.

Reid Brockway, 167 East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane NE – He feels the primary objective should be to fix the inequities in the code, particularly the imbalance between environment and human priorities. This fix should be more than a tweak as major code amendments are needed. The known topics and schedule was prepared by staff without public involvement and he feels important issues will be missed and this should not be allowed to happen.

Dave Augenstein, 723 212<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE – He is president to the Eastlake Baseball Booster club and he is disappointed and concerned about the Eastlake baseball field. There is a conflict with scheduling and with Fall ball and the fees that they will have to pay. Mayor Odell requested that City Manager Ben Yazici follow up with this scheduling issue.

Linda Eastlick, P.O. Box 2574, Issaquah – With regards to the ECA regulations and process, she is disappointed with the reports from the scientists. The citizens were hoping to see a mapping from the best available science for the recommendations and she is not seeing this happening.

Ilene Stahl, 21553 SE 28<sup>th</sup> Lane – Friends of Pine Lake – They are frustrated with the ECA process for the following reasons. 1. That the Planning Commission feels it is an independent body that can act without the guidance of staff and limitations from City Council. We need a clearly guided process that the public can understand. 2. Public Comments are 7 minutes long and takes a large amount of time. It discourages the general public from participating.

David Gee, 22201 NE 28<sup>th</sup> Place – presented a brief PowerPoint presentation. He would like to applaud the process and appreciates the efforts of the Commission and staff. He supports the best available science to protect the functions and values of critical areas.

Jim Osgoode, 19662 SE 24<sup>th</sup> Way, He feels the process with the Planning Commission is going very well. His only concern is that consultants aren't looking at the best available science before 2005 and only looking at new information.

Bob Sorensen, 22609 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – Thanked the Planning commission and staff and feels the process is going well. The reports from the consultants and the best available science refer to the buffers and he hopes there is another way and avoid the buffer mentality.

### **Topics**

1. Environmentally Critical Areas (ECA) Review Process
2. Transportation Comprehensive Plan Amendment/Level of Service Study/Transportation Impact Fees
3. King County Metro Alternative Service Plan

**Adjournment**

10:10 pm