

Environment Committee Meeting
March 22, 2007

Present: Mayor Bob Sheckler, Mayor Pro Tem Scott Thomasson, Councilmember Dave Kaplan, Development Services Manager Robert Ruth, Kent Hale from ESA Adolfson, City Engineer Loren Reinhold, City Manager Tony Piasecki, and Planning, Building & Public Works Director Grant Fredricks.

The meeting convened at 5:45 pm.

SHORELINE MASTER PLAN:

Robert Ruth reviewed key edits with the Committee, and the language additions and other changes they had previously requested. Robert guided the Committee through the changes and confirmed the adequacy of revisions. Some of the major concerns referenced were the buffers as well as the language regarding the expansion and enlargement clause for rebuilding.

Concern was expressed regarding the language by the state which does not allow the footprint of the structure to be enlarged. It was agreed that this language needs to be revised so the area can be expanded. Robert was instructed to make these changes and to remove the damage percentage for rebuilding the structure if destroyed.

The Committee requested that Kent review the language in the CAO and apply those codes to the high intensity areas to make them more flexible.

Kent also advised the Committee that items written in the SMP would govern over the CAO if there are any discrepancies.

Des Moines Creek Basin Committee Projects:

Loren Reinhold gave a detailed accounting of the project and the reasons causing the need for increased Des Moines funding in the amount of \$313,000. He further explained that the additional funding would be taken from the SWM capital fund. The Committee asked questions and voiced concerns regarding the high amount of increased expenditures for this project.

Councilmembers also asked what would happen if there is any extra contingency money left unspent. Loren and Grant assured them that the money would be divided between the Port, SeaTac and Des Moines proportionately to their contributions.

Loren announced that this ILA amendment would be going before the City Council on April 12, 2007.

Members of the Committee were unanimous in agreeing that no more money should be paid for these Basin Committee projects after this ILA.

Loren also explained to the Committee that because of the recent landslides and storm damage, the Barnes Creek project should be delayed for one year. He asked the Committee for their recommendation. The Committee agreed with him and recommended that the Barnes Creek project be delayed for one year.

The meeting concluded at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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