

**City of Kenmore
Planning Commission Meeting
April 16, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Planning Commission Members – In Attendance

Mark Ohrenschall, Chair
Suzanne Greathouse
Carol Baker
Nathan Loutsis
Michael Vanderlinde

Consultants & Staff

Debbie Bent, Community Development Director
Lauri Anderson, Principal Planner
Maureen Colaizzi, Parks Project Manager
Bridgit Baker, Code Enforcement Officer
Janina Meeks, Admin. Assistant
Amy Summe, Shannon & Wilson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ohrenschall at 7:00 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ann Aagard, 16524 104th Ave NE, Bothell, WA. Ms. Aagard expressed her support for improving protections of salmonid species and her concern for the impact of climate change and high temperatures in the Sammamish River on recovery of Chinook Salmon. She believes the definition of “no net loss” in KMC 16.10.285 lacks clarity and needs revision. She is strongly opposed to the revised definition of “exception” in the PAUE (KMC 18.55.150) and supports DOE recommendations on the buffer enhancement strategy regulations (KMC 18.55.325)

Bec Lewis, 16305 90th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA. Ms. Lewis commented that her property has wetlands caused by runoff from neighboring properties. The buffer increase will significantly reduce her property value. She believes the increase to buffers should be reconsidered or determined on a case-by-case basis.

John Hendrickson, 5919 NE 202 Lane, Kenmore, WA. Mr. Hendrickson commented that in 2008 and 2009 the City couldn't use the PAUE to remove vegetation from the shoreline at Log Boom Park. He stated that the Commissioners have the responsibility to do their due diligence to investigate information provided by the City.

Phyllis Finley, 5962 NE Arrowhead Dr, Kenmore, WA. Ms. Finley asked that Commissioners take time to study public comments; the time between comments given and action taken gives the illusion that public comments are not taken into consideration. She requested that the City not be given exceptions that private

citizens are also not given. She again asked that due diligence is taken to listen to comments, ask questions and study them before decisions are made.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Greathouse motioned to approve the March 05, 2019 minutes which was seconded by Commissioner Vanderlinde. The motion passed 4-0 with 1 abstention. Commissioner Vanderlinde motioned to approve the March 26, 2019 minutes, which was seconded by Commissioner Greathouse. The motion passed 4-0 with 1 abstention.

4. AGENDA ITEMS

Lauri Anderson responded to the Citizen Comments. She explained that “no net loss” is found in the shoreline regulations, and the definition used in the KMC was based on the state guidelines (WAC). Staff recommended against making revisions since the state guidelines were followed. She clarified that the PAUE, Variance, and Reasonable Use Exceptions are all used to review circumstances when some impact may be unavoidable, with VAR and RUE typically used for private applicants. The PAUE is not an exception to the rules.

Chair Ohrenschall requested Staff clarify the PAUE and the ballfields at St. Edwards. Lauri Anderson reiterated the PAUE is a prohibited process in the Shoreline jurisdiction and cannot be used at Log Boom Park. The ballfields at St. Edwards already have a permit application under review through the variance process. Debbie Bent explained that meant the applicant would not have to resubmit a new application just because there are new rules. The Planning Commission reviewed the PAUE and Variance review criteria.

Staff did not support the suggestion to amend the regulation for nonmotorized trails, as it would allow bicycle traffic that could cause erosion, changes in runoff and reduced vegetation in the trails within the Shoreline jurisdiction which could degrade conditions downstream.

The Planning Commission reviewed the new wetland buffer recommendations that Staff amended to match the recommendations sent by Ecology in their letter received April 16, 2019. There was a discrepancy with the categorization of wetlands at Log Boom Park; the corrections were submitted and approved by Ecology and the rating has been corrected.

Commissioner Vanderlinde moved to approve the staff recommendations on flood hazard regulations in Attachment 2 and was seconded by Commissioner Baker. The motion passed 5-0 with no abstentions. Commissioner Vanderlinde moved to approve the staff recommendations to the wetland regulations on Attachments 1 and 3 and new changes, which was seconded by Commissioner Baker. The motion passed 5-0 with no abstentions.

There is a quorum for May 13 for a joint meeting to present the final recommendations for the Critical Areas and Shoreline Master Program to the Council.

Maureen Colaizzi gave a presentation to introduce the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan, its scope, and outlined the purpose and process for updating the plan as required by the state, which is due March 2020. She reviewed the previous PROS Plan Goals and accomplishments over the past six-year period. She explained the City held a community survey in January 2019, the results of which will be presented at the May 13th joint Council/Commission meeting. The survey will answer many of the Planning Commission's questions about cost, use, demographics, youth sports, etc. and a needs and analysis report coming in July from the survey results will provide additional details and insight.

A new ordinance was approved at the April 15th City Council meeting for Mobile Home Parks for all six parks in the City. The Council approved a resolution for the parks north of SR522 so that project will be coming back to the Planning Commission.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ohrenschall adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.



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Approved by Planning Commission on:

