

CITY OF REDMOND
BEAR CREEK CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
January 14, 2010 – Redmond City Hall

NOTE: This summary is not a full transcription of the meeting.

CAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Berrios, Murillo, J. Thompson, S. Thompson

PLANNING COMMISSION LIAISON: Chandorkar

STAFF PRESENT: Jeff Churchill, Senior Planner

The Bear Creek Citizen Advisory Committee is appointed by the Mayor to advise vision, policy, and regulatory updates during the course of the Bear Creek neighborhood plan update.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Thompson convened the meeting at 4:35pm.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Mr. Thompson added the following items to the agenda: having a Parks Department representative visit the CAC; discussion of public notice postings; the Greater Southeast Redmond Area Transportation Study; and a report on 21 Acres in Woodinville by Ms. Thompson.

REVIEW OF DECEMBER 3, 2009 MEETING SUMMARY

The CAC unanimously approved the meeting summary for its December 3, 2009 meeting.

REPORT ON “21 ACRES” IN WOODINVILLE

Ms. Thompson reported that she joined a friend for a garden club meeting. She reported that there is a gentleman partnering with residents to keep mason bees that will pollinate crops in eastern Washington. She also reported on a place called “21 Acres” in Woodinville. It will be an education center with a commercial kitchen, education program, nutrition program, gardening, “hoot” and bat houses, and “Sustainable Saturday” workshops. It will feature a solar array on its roof. It will also be part of a pollinator pathway.

GUEST FOR NEXT MEETING

Mr. Thompson asked if a Parks Department representative could join the CAC at its next meeting, since no one was available to join during the Citizen Academy during the first half of 2009. Mr. Chandorkar suggested providing staff with options to improve the odds that someone would be able to attend.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZATION OF VISION IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

Mr. Thompson added the following ideas to the vision implementation strategies document: a parks facility building in the neighborhood to which residents could walk; p-patch gardens; and the concept of “21 Acres” as reported by Ms. Thompson.

The CAC then worked to prioritize vision implementation strategies so that staff could best reflect the CAC’s priorities in policy language. Mr. Churchill agreed to provide an updated vision implementation strategies document at the next meeting.

APPROACH TO POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The CAC agreed that a three-meeting sequence would be a good approach for policy development. At the first meeting, the CAC will discuss the policy topic area and provide direction to staff. At the second meeting, the CAC will review and amend draft language. At the third meeting, the CAC will make a draft recommendation to the Planning Commission.

GREATER SOUTHEAST REDMOND AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Mr. Thompson remarked that projects P11 and P13 were low priorities for him. He suggested moving the proposed crosswalk in P23 one block to the north. He and others expressed that T3 – a possible Park & Ride – might work if Metro were able to use existing parking spaces in commercial developments.

PUBLIC NOTICE POSTINGS

Mr. Churchill explained documents that provide notice of State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) determinations.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will occur on January 28, 2010 at 4:30pm at Redmond City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.