

CITY OF REDMOND  
SMP PUBLIC HEARING TRANSCRIPTION  
JANUARY 22, 2009

I only have indication that one person definitely wants to speak and a question mark about another who may like to speak. May I see a show of hands of those who know they wish to make a comment right now? Just one person.

Let the record show that it's 7:50pm on January 22, 2009 and this hearing is being held at the Redmond City Council Chambers, 15670 NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Redmond, WA 98052. Legal notice of this hearing was published in the Seattle Times on January 12, 2009. Notices of this hearing were also mailed and emailed to about 560 interested people. You may have received one of these notices so in a moment when I call the name of the person who has indicated that she would like to speak, please state your name and address for the record and if you have an organizational affiliation you would like to mention we would like to hear that.

Diane Tebelius would you please go to the podium and make your comments:  
I live at 2650 West Lake Sammamish Parkway SE, Bellevue, WA.

I along with Gary Heitlauf will submit for you written comments and I am going to speak those words before I give that letter to you. We represent lakefront owners as well as people who do not live on the lake in both the City of Redmond and the City of Bellevue. If I may explain that a little bit further I am on the Board of the West Lake Sammamish Association our residence and members of our Association live in Redmond and they live in Bellevue, the common factor that unites us is that houses and owners that use West Lake Sammamish Parkway which goes along the Lake from North to South, people on the West side, people on the East side, people up the hill and so forth and we have hundreds of homeowners who participate in issues relating to the Lake and issues relating to the road.

Mr. Heitlauf is a member of Citizens Alive for Fair Planning and has been involved in both organizations extensively in the process that is culminating partially tonight in front of this hearing.

In order to avoid any repetitive hearings I have been asked to represent those homeowners to give their view as to the process in our comments relating to the update.

A year ago I'm not sure many of us along the Lake homeowners would have felt that we could have gotten to this point in the process. But it is a comment on the work that was done not only by the homeowners but by the staff at the City of Redmond and by the Council in the City of Redmond and I want to extend our thanks as homeowners to those individuals particularly who worked so hard on that process knowing well that they have spent enormous amount of time learning what was happening and learning how the update process worked. In particular I know the Council members spent hours and hours trying to figure out what was happening and what needed to be done in order to accommodate many diverse interests.

The Redmond Shoreline Master Program Update was approved by the Planning Commission, it was then sent to the City of Redmond Council last summer. We spent many hours after that point in time working with the Council along with the staff in order to come up with what is before you tonight. It represents years and countless thousands of hours of work at a great expense. Not only to the City and the staff the hours that were spent by them, but frankly by the home owners, many of who were not sophisticated in the process of how the update worked and I thank you very much tonight for that summary. They had to sit down and figure out the process, understand the Statute and become acquainted with what needed to be done in order to complete that update process. Numerous public hearings were held, proceedings have been provided for significant input as you stated. There has been significant input by the public and ability to provide our thoughts has been greatly appreciated.

As homeowners, not only who live on the lake, but those who do not, we all use the lake and we are greatly concerned not only about the health of it, but we are concerned about anything that affects the quality of that particular lake. We believe that the City of Redmond would concur with that statement. We feel that the City under its new leadership has been an active partner and has facilitated in reaching what we believe is a balanced program that represents everyone's interests.

There have been compromises, there's no doubt and frankly there are homeowners that would say they have compromised more than the City has done but that is behind us and we support this program, we support the City and we support the update as passed by Redmond City Council.

The Shoreline Master Program update that has been submitted to you and is now before us for hearing, not only meets but we believe it exceeds all of the State requirements. It represents years of public process, years of hearings, and there has been full participation that we believe by the Department of Ecology and though I didn't mention this earlier I do want to thank them for what we believe was their graciousness in listening to everyone, answering our questions and assisting us in completing that process. This program was developed, the update in good faith and we come before you in good faith. It was developed in the interest of promoting the well being of the lake. It is one that is there for us to enjoy and for others to enjoy. It fully meets and exceeds the requirements of the State law. We recommend that this update, the SMP update, we ask that you look at the process and consider all the work that's been done by everybody from the citizens, not only who live on the lake, citizens who live off the lake, citizens in the City of Redmond, and citizens in the City of Bellevue, both who live on the west side of the lake and along West Lake Sammamish. We ask that you consider all the efforts that have been done by them, Ecology presently, the City staff and the City Council and that you approved that update that is now before you. Thank you.

I would like to present to you a copy of our signed letter that summarizes what was said. There's a question mark next to one gentleman's name. Is there anyone else who may wish to add something?

If you would please, state your name and address for the record:

I'm David Hutchinson, I live at 3406 West Lake Sammamish Parkway on the water side and that's in Redmond. I'm a member of the Lake Sammamish Parkway Association and a member of the board of that association.

I have a question and that is from reading this material. It says the Shoreline Management Act exempts certain developments from a need to obtain a Substantial Development Permit among other things. Permits are not needed for single family residences, normal protective bulkheads for single family residences, normal maintenance and repairs to existing structures, docks worth less than \$5,000 saltwater, (which doesn't apply) or \$10,000 fresh water normal farming activities, emergency construction needed to protect property. What I would like to know is does the proposed Shoreline Management Act of the City of Redmond have greater requirements than this Shoreline Management Act of the State. Has Redmond imposed on us things that are not required by the State?

DouGlas: That comment is for the record and that will be responded to in the response to comments.

DouGlas: Anyone else wish to make a comment for the record?

If you would like to send Ecology written comments, please remember they must be received or postmarked no later than February 16, 2009. Send them to David Pater, mailing address is Department of Ecology, 3190 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98008-5452. David's email and phone number is available if you need to make contact.

Information flyers on the public comment period are also available near the sign in sheets by the front door. All testimony received at this hearing along with all written comments received are postmarked by February 16, 2009 will be part of the official hearing record for this Shoreline Management program proposal. After tonight's meeting, Ecology will summarize all comments received tonight and during the public comment period and will forward the summary and all comments to the City of Redmond. Redmond will then respond to all comments and forward their response to Ecology, all of the public comments along with the City of Redmond's responses will help Ecology make a decision about the Shoreline Master Program. After considering the comments received the City's responses and evaluating the proposal for consistency with the Shoreline Management Act, Policies and Guidelines, Ecology may either approve the Shoreline Master Program as is, approved the Shoreline Master Program with conditions or deny the Shoreline Master Program. If we can be of further help to you, please don't hesitate to contact David Pater at 425-649-4253.

On behalf of the Department of Ecology, thank you for coming tonight, I appreciate your cooperation and courtesy and let the record show that this hearing is adjourned at 8:02pm on January 22, 2009. Thank you very much for coming. Good night.

