

**CITY OF SHORELINE**  
**SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL**  
**SUMMARY MINUTES OF WORKSHOP DINNER MEETING**

Monday, January 12, 2009  
6:00 p.m.

Shoreline Conference Center  
Highlander Room

**PRESENT:** Mayor Cindy Ryu, Deputy Mayor Terry Scott, and Councilmembers Keith McGlashan, Chris Eggen, Janet Way, Doris McConnell, and Ron Hansen

**ABSENT:** none

**STAFF:** Bob Olander, City Manager; Julie Underwood, Assistant City Manager; Joe Tovar, Planning & Development Services Director; David Levitan, Planner

**GUEST:** none

Mayor Ryu called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.

The Mayor started by polling the Council on their interest to change the start and end times for the January 20 Council Meeting, starting at 6:00 pm and ending at 8:00 pm. This would accommodate Councilmembers and the public who would like to participate in Presidential Inauguration activities. City Manager Bob Olander offered to reschedule the snow update to another meeting date and re-advertise the adjusted meeting times.

Mr. Tovar provided a recap of the January 8 second town hall meeting and summarized the bigger picture of the next steps in the process and outlined the timeline. Mr. Tovar stated that the Council is scheduled to conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of the vision and framework goals on April 13, 2009. He stated that it's Council's decision to adopt it that same evening.

Mr. Tovar reviewed the agenda for the joint Council and Planning Commission Workshop on January 29 at the Fire Station headquarters. He suggested that the Council and Planning Commission sit in the middle of the room, public can few and listen, and Michael Pendleton will facilitate the discussion.

Councilmember Eggen stated that his concern is with conflicting statements and asked if there is an indication of whether a given comment has been included frequently or just once. David Levitan stated that all the comments are recorded and in their "raw," aggregate format. Moreover, Mr. Eggen asked for the electronic version of the comments

so that he can provide his own analysis. Staff is currently categorizing and numbering the comments and will provide electronic versions on the City's website.

Mayor Ryu added that the Council asked the public for what's missing and not necessarily to vote for a theme.

Mr. Tovar cautioned the Council about "absolute" statements, especially with specifics about a neighborhood; he recommends that this is probably not appropriate for framework goals.

Mr. Olander added that if we include everything then the vision isn't very useful. The vision needs to have some specificity.

Mr. Tovar stated that the joint workshop is intended for collaborative conversation about what the Council would like to be included. This is the opportunity for the Council to say what you think. The Council has been listening and quiet and now it's your turn to talk. The Commission will bring a draft vision statement and framework goals to the Community Check-in.

Deputy Mayor stated that his experience with writing vision statements is that it's important that we come out with a rough draft and then the Commission can refine. It's important that we have buy-in. Likewise, it's important that we review as many examples as we can so that we don't get bogged down in minutia. Mr. Tovar stated that the Commission also asked for more samples and promised to provide them.

Councilmember McGlashan stated that when he looks at the current vision statement and values, he sees an overarching value of preserving and enhancing our quality of life. He added that he didn't see a theme on safety. Mayor Ryu added that safety and emergency management were lacking.

Mr. Tovar said that the joint workshop is not meant to be a voting session, but to work toward consensus and group support and keep the discussion as a dialogue. Mayor Ryu cautioned that we should not wordsmith especially if it's technical in nature.

Councilmember McConnell noted that the second town hall meeting had a lower attendance.

Mr. Eggen stated that he hopes the Council will continue to have annual town hall meetings to talk about specific problems. Mr. Scott noted that he felt that citizens enjoyed talking directly to their elected officials being as part of a community. He liked the town hall meeting format because the Council was not the center of attention.

Councilmember McGlashan suggested that the Council may want to consider hosting an annual open house in the new city hall/council chambers.

Mayor Ryu adjourned the meeting at 7:25 pm.

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Julie Underwood, Assistant City Manager

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