

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, May 12, 2014
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

PRESENT: Mayor Winstead, Deputy Mayor Eggen, Councilmembers McGlashan, Hall, McConnell (6:41 p.m. arrival), Salomon, and Roberts

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Debbie Tarry, City Manager; John Norris, Assistant City Manager; Rachael Markle, Planning & Community Development Director; Miranda Redinger, Senior Planner; Paul Cohen, Planning Manager; Steve Szafran, Senior Planner; and Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

GUESTS: Planning Commission: Chair Keith Scully; Vice-Chair Easton Craft, Commissioners Jack Malek, David Maul, Bill Montero, Donna Moss and Terri Strandberg.

At 5:56 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Winstead.

Miranda Redinger, Senior Planner provided the context of the meeting. She commented on the similarities and differences, and the opportunities and challenges to support a Light Rail Station at 145th or 185th street. She reviewed the 145th Street Station Subarea Plan Schedule and stated the authorization for the City Manager to execute a contract with OTAK, Inc. for the development of the 145th Street Station Subarea Plan will be presented to Council for adoption at the May 19, 2014 City Council Meeting. She presented discussion questions, commented on the role of City Council and the Planning Commission in the initial stage of the process, and stated their attendance at public meetings and workshops will be beneficial.

Ms. Tarry commented that this meeting provides Council with an opportunity to share their vision for 145th Street.

Councilmember Hall expressed concern about the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists at the freeway interchange, suggested a separated non-motorized crossing bridge, and proposed a bridge at 147th. He communicated that he does not want the station to become a regional auto destination center, and recommended collecting data from residents that live outside the immediate area and will utilize the station. He wants to avoid creating a tunnel feel on Aurora resulting from high-rise buildings and suggested that the Urban Land Institute participate in the discussion. Deputy Mayor Eggen stressed the importance of pedestrian accessibility, stated a major high-rise development and taller buildings are more conducive off I-5, and mentioned the

need to be sensitive to Paramount Park residents. He recommended a walk about of the area. Councilmember Roberts commented that the project presents an opportunity to develop 145th from Aurora to 15th Avenue. Councilmember McGlashan noted the challenge of getting a bridge approved in Sound Transit's budget and supported having high-rises off I-5. Councilmember Salomon mentioned the challenge of the City working on 145th project in a multi-agency environment. Commissioner Scully stated that the community meetings are well attended, that more concern has been expressed at the 145th neighborhood meetings, and that he believes opportunities for development are greater at the 145th location. Commissioner Scully explained the benefit of Councilmembers attending the public meetings and workshops. Commissioner Craft recommended integration of other plans with 145th as it is the entrance to Shoreline, and commented on the need for east and west arterial connectivity to I-5. Commissioner Moss suggested inviting businesses from the Seattle side of 145th to attend the meetings. Ms. Redinger commented on the monthly standing walkabouts and stated the 145th Street Route Development Plan and the Transit Service Integration Plan will assist with the planning process. She explained that outreach to the community involves households and business in the City of Shoreline. Councilmember Hall recalled that the scope of the planning area was intentionally limited to the City of Shoreline.

Ms. Redinger stated that the 145th Station Citizen's Committee meetings are held the first Thursday of the Month, from 7:00- 8:30 p.m., in City Hall Room 301, and commented on stakeholder meetings. She announced that the Station Subarea Design Workshops will be held on June 3 & June 12, 2014 and at Celebrate Shoreline, mentioned the developer's workshop scheduled for June 3, and outreaching to Fircrest residents.

Councilmember Hall proposed creating a vision to support the building of a bridge, suggested adopting a position for major state highway improvements, and lobbying for the improvements to 145th to be included in the State Transportation Package. He commented on King County Metro's refusal to run buses on 145th due to congestion issues. Councilmember Roberts commented that improvement to 145th and the transit station benefits the 32nd and 46th Legislative Districts, and recommended obtaining their support. Deputy Mayor Eggen supports lobbying the state legislature, recommends a bus route loop that includes 145th, 155th and 15th Avenue, and recommended including the King County Mobility Coalition in the 145th discussions. Mayor Winstead recommended undertaking this endeavor as a regional project. Ms. Tarry recalled the \$250,000 allocated for development of the 145th Route Development Plan to assist in the discussion when meeting with state legislators to present the City of Shoreline's vision. She stated that various scenarios for the subarea plan will be researched and presented to Council.

Councilmember Roberts stated he will attend the May 22nd meeting, and Councilmember Hall is providing the opening address at the June 12th meeting.

At 6:40 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Bonita A. Roznos, Deputy City Clerk