

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF DINNER MEETING

Monday, November 14, 2005
6:00 p.m.

Shoreline Conference Center
Highlander Room

PRESENT: Mayor Hansen, Deputy Mayor Jepsen, Councilmembers Fimia, Grace, Gustafson and Ransom

ABSENT: Councilmember Chang

STAFF: Steve Burkett, City Manager; Bob Olander, Deputy City Manager; Julie Modrzejewski, Assistant City Manager; Joyce Nichols, Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Director; and Joe Tovar, Planning and Development Services Director

GUEST: none

The meeting convened at 6:15 p.m.

Steve Burkett, City Manager, discussed the scheduling of a dinner meeting on November 28 with the Shoreline School District and Shoreline Water District to discuss potential acquisition of the South Woods property. He said he should have more information from both districts tomorrow.

Deputy Mayor Jepsen requested a copy of the minutes of the November 7 Shoreline School District Board meeting in which a hearing was held on the South Woods property. He wondered whether the hearing was about the three acres the City is proposing to purchase or whether it concerned the entire property. Staff will get a copy of the minutes and forward to the City Council.

The next topic discussed was the agenda for the November 29 joint meeting with the Planning Commission regarding cottage housing. Staff reviewed the November 10 memo with the Council proposing how the workshop would be conducted. Staff will send the Council the Planning Commission's recommendation on cottage housing.

Councilmember Fimia asked that it be made clear that Planning Commission recommendations are recommendations only; the Council will be the final decision-maker on the issue. She also asked that the City be clear about "what problem we're trying to solve."

The Council continued discussing the format for the meeting and agreed to invite all councilmembers-elect to the workshop since the issue is likely to be voted on in 2006.

Additionally, the Council discussed the structure for the joint meeting with the Planning Commission. Councilmember Fimia suggested using the public policy decision-making model where the Council identifies the problem to be solved; the proposed alternatives to address/solve the problem; the agreements that can be reached about the issues and proposed solutions; and identification of the next steps.

Julie Modrzejewski suggested developing some basic ground rules for the meeting. Joyce Nichols suggested that the Council determine how public participation would be handled so people will know what to expect at the meeting.

Councilmember Grace said the Council can ask people what they do/don't like about cottage housing, but people may tell us what we've already heard at City Council meetings.

Deputy Mayor Jepsen suggested time limits to keep the discussion moving and to make sure all who want to speak may do so.

Staff will continue working on the format and logistics for the meeting.

Mayor Hansen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Joyce Nichols, Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Director