CITY OF COVINGTON
Planning Commission Minutes

May 5, 2011

City Hall Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER
Vice Chair Key called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 6:31.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Vice Chair Key, Jack Brooks, Sonia Foss, Bill Judd, Ed Pfeifer and Alex White.

MEMBERS ABSENT
Chair Smith, Jack Brooks

STAFF PRESENT
Richard Hart, Community Development Director
Salina Lyons, Senior Planner
Kelly Thompson, Planning Commission Secretary

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Commissioner Foss moved and Commissioner White seconded to amend the Consent Agenda to remove the second Citizen Comment period due to the fact that the Attendance Vote was the only thing between the first and second Citizen Comment periods. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Commissioner White moved and Commissioner Pfeifer seconded to approve the amended Consent Agenda including the minutes for February 17, 2011 and March 17, 2011. Motion carried 5-0.

The record is noted to reflect that Commissioner Brooks arrived at 6:36 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION


Mr. Anderson provided historical background on the property and outlined their proposal to King County to re-designate the entire Notch property from rural to urban.
The Planning Commission asked a few questions of Mr. Anderson. Commissioner White asked how citizens would have their properties re-zoned following the proposed re-designation. Community Development Director, Richard Hart stated that staff is researching and preparing a report to present to the City Council on May 10, 2011 providing options on how to proceed.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Barbara Burnsed – 19059 SE Wax Rd – She is an owner of property adjacent to the Branbar property. She would like to be part of the City of Covington. She is the owner of a storage facility.

Camden – Kent resident – wanted information about zoning and was asked to stay after the meeting to discuss.

Zachary Catrell – Maple Valley resident – wanted information about the potential economic impact by annexing the Northern Notch.

PUBLIC HEARING - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

ATTENDANCE VOTE

> Commissioner Pfeifer moved and Commissioner Judd seconded to excuse the absence of Chair Smith. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Senior Planner, Salina Lyons informed the Planning Commission that the Development Activity Report and associated map have been updated.

In follow-up to the presentation from Anderson, Baugh & Associates, Community Development Director, Richard Hart shared that there are four possible directives that we will receive from the City Council: rearrange priorities for 2011, put it in the 2012 work plan, put it in the 2013 work plan, or engage the participants in a multi-year process to decide what needs to be done, figure out who is going to pay for it and develop a timeline.

Richard also provided a flyer from the City Clerk’s Office to recruit members to the Arts Commission.
The next meeting will be held on May 19, 2011 and we will be discussing Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Commissioner Pfeifer stated that he may be re-locating to the City of Maple Valley and thus have to leave the Commission in July.

ADJOURN

The May 5, 2011 Planning Commission Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Kelly Thompson, Planning Commission Secretary