

# Land Use & Economic Development Committee

Tuesday, June 1, 2021 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

(MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM)

# **Meeting Notes**

#### **Land Use & Economic Development Committee Attendees**

Present: Councilmember Emery

Councilmember Harris

Absent: Councilmember Marine

#### **Other Attendees**

Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Kandace Barnes Mayor Gregerson City Administrator Powers Community Development Director Osaki

# <u>CALL TO ORDER - 5:30 PM</u> Meeting Objectives:

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#### 1. Economic Recovery

Community Development Director Osaki mentioned that, at the request of the Washington State Department of Commerce ("Commerce"), local jurisdictions were asked to make contact with certain businesses that had not responded to emails from Commerce about being awarded a Working Washington Small Business Emergency Grant (WWSBEG).

Seven businesses were on the list for Mukilteo, most of which had eventually contacted Commerce. Two businesses contacted by the City still had not made contact with Commerce. Both involved business owners whose primary language was not English.

Staff mentioned that one business did not respond to Commerce emails because it questioned the emails' validity since the emails asked for banking information to electronically access the grant funds. Another business owner did not seem to understand that a Commerce grant award had been offered.

With assistance from the Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce and another local business owner, the City was able to get one business owner in direct contact with Commerce. Commerce was going to conduct direct outreach to the other business owner through a minority organization that partners with Commerce on these issues.

Staff mentioned how this illustrates difficulties non-English speaking business owners confront. Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Kandace Barnes added that this is a concern as well, and that she hopes that the Chamber and City can work on this issue.

## 2. Climate Action Planning (Councilmember Emery)

At the request of Councilmember Emery, the Thurston Regional Planning Council ("TRPC") 2018 Climate Adaptation Plan was provided to the LU&ED Committee.

Councilmember Emery brought the TRPC Climate Adaptation Plan to the LU&ED Committee's attention as he felt it was a good example of how to deal with climate change on a regional level. In addressing climate change on a regional level, the TRPC Climate Adaptation Plan addressed important regional issues that a city climate action plan might not.

Examples of regional issues included:

- Drought
- Wildfires
- Flooding
- Changes in precipitation and how that affects aquifers and wells
- The impact of sea level rise on aquifer contamination
- Climate migration
- Regional alternatives to reduce fossil fuels

Councilmember Emery expressed interest in seeing how feasible it might be to prepare a regional climate action plan in Snohomish County.

There was mention of researching what the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) and Snohomish County Tomorrow (SCT) might be doing with regards to planning for climate change on a regional level.

Councilmember Harris indicated he would look into PSRC and see if regional ideas to climate change planning are being discussed. Staff also mentioned it would look into PSRC efforts and also Snohomish County countywide planning policy (CPP's) amendments under consideration related to climate change.

#### 3. <u>Development Projects/Proposals</u>

The LU&ED Committee was briefed on the status of certain development projects taking place in the City. This was in response to interest expressed in this topic by the LU&ED Committee at its May 2021 meeting.

Certain projects presented were "In permitting"; others "Under construction". "In permitting" means that a permit application has been made to the City and that the application is being reviewed by staff to ensure that the development proposal adheres to applicable codes and requirements. The applicant may still need to make site, design and other clarifications, corrections and revisions in the form of a resubmittal.

Among projects mentioned to the LU&ED Committee were:

Salinas Construction Contractor Laydown Yard - 4007 78th St SW (in construction)

- Front Porch Cottages 7902 44th Avenue W (in permitting)
- Mukilteo Stormwater Decant Facility 4206 78th Street SW (in construction)
- Mukilteo Warehouse by Nelson 43, LLC 4301 78th Street SW (in permitting)
- Mukilteo Plaza Mixed Use 823 2nd Street (in permitting)
- BEC Investments LLC (Automotive sales and repair) 12900 Beverly Park Road (in permitting)
- Mundorf critical areas fill and off-site mitigation Approximately 800 block of 8th St/Japanese Gulch (in permitting)
- Basel Harbour Pointe Townhomes Development Agreement Amendment 9900
  Harbour Place (in permitting)
- Electroimpact Development Agreement Amendment 4413 Chennault Beach Road (in permitting)

In response to a question, staff mentioned development agreements require City Council review and action.

Additional information about each of these and other projects, including submittal materials, is available to the public on line at: <u>Land Use Action Notices</u>

### 4. July LU&ED Committee Meeting (Reschedule)

It was mentioned that the next regular LU&ED Committee meeting would be Tuesday, July 6, 2021; however, due to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday weekend that Tuesday is also the date of a City Council meeting.

Given that, the LU&ED Committee decided to reschedule its July meeting to *Wednesday*, *July 7*, 2021, 5:30pm.

**ADJOURNMENT - 7:00 PM** 

**Next Meeting Date/Time:** Wednesday, July 7, 2021, 5:30PM