

**CITY OF SHORELINE  
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS MINUTES**

November 1, 2017  
6:30 pm

Shoreline City Hall

**COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Ballinger – Stephanie Angelis  
Briarcrest - Bill Dwyer  
Echo Lake – Diane Hettrick, Jay Sundahl  
Highland Terrace – Cyndi Robinson  
Hillwood – Ann Erickson  
Innis Arden - Domenick Dellino  
Meridian Park – Gretchen Atkinson  
North City – Dan Dale  
Parkwood – Katie Schielke  
Richmond Beach – Chris Beck, Tom Petersen  
Richmond Highlands – Pete Gerhard  
Ridgecrest – Ellen Sullivan

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Rob Beem, Community Services Manager, Constance Perenyi, Neighborhoods Coordinator.

**I. Call to Order**

Pete Gerhard welcomed meeting participants.

**II. Review Agenda for November 1, and Minutes from October 4.**

Both the agenda and minutes were approved unanimously.

**III. Public Comment**

Dom Dellino, Innis Arden, reported that he had just completed CERT Training, offered by the Northshore Fire Department. He strongly encourages everyone to do the training, which he found valuable.

Pete Gerhard followed Dom’s comment with a follow-up to the suggestion at last month’s meeting that CON sponsor an emergency preparedness fair. He asked for steering committee volunteers, and Dom, Bill Dwyer, and Ann Erickson said they were interested in helping plan this citywide event.

Bill Dwyer, Briarcrest, followed up on his public comments from last month by noting that he had studied the proposed 2018 city budget, and was concerned about the delay in getting hubs up and going. He said that he doesn’t think hubs have to be fancy, but could give CERTs and ACS members a focus.

**IV. City Manager Update**

Debbie Tarry introduced herself, saying that after working in Finance for many years, she became City Manager four years ago. She is honored to work with such a great community.

She addressed the value she sees in the Council of Neighborhoods, which is rooted in the Vision 2029 document: “The community’s vision is for Shoreline to be a thriving, friendly city where people of all ages, cultures, and economic backgrounds love to live, work and play, and most of all, call home.” CON fosters a connection to every neighborhood in the City to help make the vision real.

The relationship between the City and CON provides opportunities for two-way communication:

- What are you (CON members) hearing/experiencing in your neighborhoods that is helpful for the City to know? This is another way for us to get feedback, and for us to stay current/relevant.
- What can we share with you so that you can be another communication avenue to your neighborhoods? City presenters have subject matter knowledge, provide context.
- CON members learn what is going on in the City, and can be “myth busters” when misinformation is spread. This is an extension for communication when unexpected things come up, and another opportunity to build relationships with residents in each neighborhood.

Those in neighborhood leadership roles, with opportunities to learn about the City, might develop other interests and find opportunities, such as on City commissions or advisory committees. CON members provide a “test” market for ideas, and the City values your insights and thoughts. CON also has an opportunity to be in closer touch with City Councilmembers. There is also the opportunity for you to build relationships with other Shoreline residents in different neighborhoods, to explore common interests, identify common and unique issues and potential solutions in a supportive environment.

Question from Dom Dellino: How can CON better serve the City? What more can we do? Is it possible to expand our meetings, have an expanded role?

*From my perspective, that expansion is already happening with cross-neighborhood events, and the work you are doing to identify important issues and information to take back to your neighborhoods.*

Debbie then asked CON members to share their perceptions of how much Shoreline has already grown. Several people said that they think the population has already grown a lot. In reality, as Debbie explained, growth has actually been slow, with the largest growth years being 2015 and 2016, both under 1%.

**See below for specific development and crime statistics.**

Question from Dan Dale, North City: How often does the City look at growth and the related levels of service? What are the trigger points for making changes?

*We conduct annual traffic counts, and look at levels of crime and the time for police response. We also consider the number of police officers in relation to the number of residents. Current reports show an increase in calls and a slower response time. The 2018 budget has suggested funding for a new officer and a K9 unit. The City is also looking at an increase in parks land, along with a parks impact fee, in response to growth. Our biggest challenge is infrastructure: facilities, sidewalks, pathways. How do we maintain what we have, and how do we plan ahead? There is an ongoing need to keep looking at this.*

Question from Pete Gerhard: How does the Growth Management Act (GMA) affect Shoreline?

*The GMA mandates accommodation of at least 5,000 new residents in the City so that growth happens in urban areas rather than creating more sprawl. There is ongoing debate about this, with some wanting to build as densely as possible while others want to preserve some open space. The Ruckelshaus Center is conducting an assessment of the GMA, asking if changes need to be made to the framework.*

Dan Dale asked about who can/will be able to work and live in Shoreline

*The City is concerned about teachers, service workers, and others, and is committed to creating as many housing choices as possible. State law prevents cities from doing rent control. How can the City incentivize keeping older homes rather than tearing down when they are sold?*

Dan asked Debbie to explain the role of the City Manager.

*She explained that her role is analogous to the CEO of an organization. She is the only city employee who works for City Council, but it is the elected officials who adopt a budget and make policy. The City Manager's job is to implement policies to accomplish Council goals. This is a partnership, because Council relies on staff to give them the best information possible.*

Dom asked about the staff's position on growth.

*Staff doesn't have a position. State statute has mandated growth of 5000 new residents by 2035. Council has adopted zoning to accomplish that and keep the greatest growth around Aurora and station areas.*

## **V. Budget Update**

Administrative Services Director Sara Lane and Budget Supervisor Rick Kirkwood gave an overview of the 2018 budget. See below for handout, and for complete presentation, go to

[https://prezi.com/joy8az0flkwq/2018-budget-con-presentation/?utm\\_campaign=share&utm\\_medium=copy](https://prezi.com/joy8az0flkwq/2018-budget-con-presentation/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy)

Question from Pete: How are Surface Water fees billed and paid? And what is happening with the Ronald Sewer District transition? How long is it?

*Fees are collected by King County with property taxes, and then paid to Shoreline. As far as Ronald, the City is now operating the wastewater district. Staff is now on board, and the City has taken over operations, but not capitol, which still belongs to the District. This agreement is good for 2 years, and can be renegotiated if necessary. Residents pay their bills, money goes to Ronald, and the District then reimburses Shoreline for the costs of operation.*

Question from Dom about how the budget covers Fire Department costs.

*The Shoreline Fire District is completely separate from the City of Shoreline, although there is coordination between both at the operational level. The Fire District raises its own money. Developers must pay a Fire Impact Fee related to help with higher demands related to growth.*

## **VI. Small Group Discussions**

Members broke into small groups to discuss information they had heard during the meeting, and to talk about how they would take it back to their neighborhood associations.

### **VII. Neighborhood Reports**

**Richmond Beach:** The annual Halloween Carnival was another great success. This coming Saturday, 11/4, there will be a blood drive at the fire house on Richmond Beach Road.

**Echo Lake:** Recently hosted its fall cleanup project on Densmore Pathway; the topic of the October meeting was adult education in Shoreline, and the next one will be focused on preparing for winter.

**North City:** Once again served cider at Hamlin Haunt; the annual tree lighting celebration in the NC business district is on December 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Les Schwaab parking lot on 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE.

**Richmond Highlands:** Hosting second annual pie and cider event on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Highland Terrace:** Just had another successful Doggies and Donuts event, and is still collecting food for the pantry at Shoreline Community College.

**Briarcrest:** Is continuing to host storytelling events; the last meeting was with Moms Against Guns; and all meetings include 20 minute presentations on emergency preparedness.

**Hillwood:** Recent trail cleanup was postponed to a week later because of rain; this coming Saturday, 11/4, there is Coffee at the Museum from 10 – 11:30 a.m. (Shoreline Historical Museum).

### **VIII. Neighborhood Coordinator Report**

The Shoreline-Lake Forest Park is accepting proposals for 2018 Community Project Grants until November 16<sup>th</sup>. Constance encouraged neighborhood associations to apply for funding. Last year, Briarcrest was awarded funds for a storytelling workshop, and Richmond Beach got another grant for the Strawberry Festival. For more information, check the Arts Council website at <http://www.shorelinearts.net/event-program/2018-community-project-grants-2/>

Reminder that the annual holiday dinner with City Council is on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, starting at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Each neighborhood is invited to send two CON representatives.

Upcoming events:

- Bystander Training, What can you do if you see someone being harassed? Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Shoreline City Hall. Please RSVP to Suni Tolton, [stolton@shorelinewa.gov](mailto:stolton@shorelinewa.gov), 206-801-2256.
- Resilient Shoreline - Skill Building Day: Stress, Anxiety and You; Saturday, November 18, 9 a.m. – noon. For more information, contact Rob Beem, [rbeem@shorelinewa.gov](mailto:rbeem@shorelinewa.gov), 206-801-2251.
- Culture Share: Ethiopia; Saturday, November 18, 6 – 8:30 p.m., Shoreline City Hall. This is a potluck event. For more information, contact Suni Tolton, [stolton@shorelinewa.gov](mailto:stolton@shorelinewa.gov), 206-801-2256.

The new City of Shoreline website has just launched. Constance will be making updates, and asked everyone to check their neighborhood information and let her know if details need to be corrected. New neighbor information will go up soon, and that will replace the paper welcome packets, although printed copies will be available on request.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

## City Manager Update

### Notes about City Trends

- City Trends
  - Population growth
    - Population growth has been very slow in Shoreline
      - Largest growth was 2015 & 2016 – both just under 1%
      - 2017 was 1/10 % (70 people)
      - From 2010 to 2017 3.9% - average of ½% - 2,053
        - May be contrary to what people are perceiving
        - Expect we will see greater growth in the next decade
          - Lightrail
  - Development Activity
    - 2016 set a new record – highest valuation of investment in history of City of Shoreline – hit \$2 M in development revenue for first time
      - 2017 is trending ahead.
    - Public Projects
      - Shoreline School District
      - Aldercrest Phase II, Meridian Park Early Learning Center
      - To Come – Middle Schools
    - Shoreline Community College
      - Preliminary Process for On-Campus Housing
    - Single Family Projects
      - 42 single family detached projects are in permitting or under construction
      - 23 single family attached townhome projects are in permitting or under construction
    - **200 Units Completed Thus Far in 2017:**
      - Interurban Lofts in Town Center (80 Units)
      - Ronald Commons in Town Center (60 Units)
      - Sunrise Eleven in Ballinger (60 Units)
    - **456 Units Under Construction:**
      - 205 Apartments in Ballinger (72 units, completion mid-2018)
      - Paceline in Town Center (221 units, completion mid-2018)
      - Centerpointe in Town Center (163 units, completion late 2019)
    - **681 Units in the Permitting Process:**
      - Arabella II in North City (81 units)
      - The Alexan at Shoreline Place (324 units) – Denny's Triangle
      - High Hill in Town Center (33 units) – Firlands Way

- North City Post Office Site (243 units) – 175<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> NE
  - 5 Self-Storage Projects Under Construction or In Permitting
  - Remodel of Fred Meyer in 2018
  - Sears Property in Shoreline Place sold in the past few months
  
- City Economy
  - Stable
  - Strong sales tax - Sales tax receipts, which reflect activity from December 2016 through April 2017, are more than the budget's year-to-date projection by 5.9% and 2016 collections by 5.1%. Much of the year-over-year increase is from Construction Sector receipts, which are 20.6% more than the year-ago level
  - Job Growth - ?? Primarily service areas in last 10 years
    - Everett Clinic, medical
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- Crime trends down for a second year
  - Part-1 Crime - no change 5 year avg. 31 (-13%)
  - Burglary – 13% 5 year avg. 398 (-19%)
    - 418, 426, 455, 370, 323
  - Exception:
    - Car Prowl +19% 5 year average 359 (+2%)
    - Auto Theft +12% 5 year avg. 182 (+4%)
  - Calls for service are continuing to grow – since 2012 +30%

## Budget Presentation

Handout at meeting. For the entire presentation, please go to:

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# Are You Interested in Influencing Outcomes?

## Attend City Council / Planning Commission Meetings

- Speak during Public Comment
- Speak during Public Hearing
- Comment on agenda items



Aquatics/Indoor Recreation Focus Group Meeting



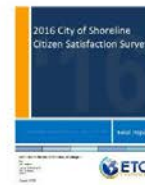
Intercept Event



Seniors Focus Group

## Attend/Participate in Public Processes

- Advisory Committees
- Open Houses



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