



# Planning and Economic Development Committee Minutes

Thursday, September 6, 2018

5:30 PM

SeaTac City Hall – Riverton Room

Members:	Present:	Absent:	Commence: 5:37 P.M.
			Adjourn: 7:21 P.M.
Rick Forschler, Chair	<b>X</b>		
Peter Kwon	<b>X</b>		
Mike Siefkes		<b>X</b>	

Other Councilmembers: Clyde Hill

Staff Present: Steve Pilcher, CED Director; Mark Johnsen, Senior Assistant City Attorney; Tim Ramsaur, Senior Management Analyst; Aleksandr Yeremeyev, Economic Development Strategist; Kate Kaehny, Senior Planner

1. Public Comment	Earl Gipson commented that the SoundSide Alliance appears to be a redundant organization to others that already exist.
2. Minutes of 8/2/18 meeting	Moved and seconded to approve. Approved 2-0.
3. Fiber Optics & Capacity Analysis	<u>  <b>X</b>  </u> Direction

	<p>Senior Management Analyst Tim Ramsaur noted this study was approved in the 2017-18 budget. Staff is inventorying what resources currently exist within the city.</p> <p>The Fiber Broadband Association has identified a list of interests that municipalities should have.</p> <p>Mr. Ramsaur described the Ammon, Idaho approach: the city owned the fiber network, but was not a service provider. This provided more service at less cost to its citizens.</p> <p>Mr. Ramsaur explained the next steps for the project, which includes hiring a consultant to explore options for the City. He stated staff is seeking concurrence to proceed with the consultant selection process.</p> <p>The committee concurred that project should proceed as quickly as possible.</p>
<p>4. Soundside Alliance website review</p>	<p><u>  X  </u> Presentation/discussion</p> <p>Economic Development Strategist Aleksandr Yeremeyev reviewed the website’s features. He noted the new version of the website was just recently launched.</p> <p>SoundSide Alliance was formed to provide greater focus on the five cities that surround the airport, initially in relation to airport impacts. Its focus now is to cooperate on economic development as a region, in order to be better able to compete.</p> <p>The old website was overloaded with too many pages; the new version is streamlined and serves a “funneling” function to direct people to the proper contact in each city. Data is continuously updated.</p> <p>The committee discussed the pros and cons of aggregating data.</p>
<p>5. Multifamily Housing Design Standards</p>	<p><u>  X  </u> Direction</p> <p>Senior Planner Kate Kaehny noted this matter is scheduled for next Tuesday’s City Council meeting. She reminded the committee of what portions of the code had already been reviewed and then overviewed remaining issue areas.</p> <p><i>Recreation space:</i> The Planning Commission recommends reductions in the amount required from the current code. The revisions also provide for credit for decks/balconies and patios. A new section will allow for reductions in certain situations; this also adds flexibility to a developer. Also proposing to put a “cap” on the total amount of recreation space that will be required.</p>

	<p>Chair Forschler reported that Planning Commission Chair Tejvir Basra (a developer) finds these provisions to be acceptable.</p> <p>Landscaping &amp; Building setbacks: The recommended code changes will allow reduced street frontage landscaping and greater front yard setbacks, plus also allow for combining of required front yard landscaping with building facade landscaping. The changes will also provide greater building lot coverage and lesser setbacks in medium density residential zones.</p> <p>Building design: some minor adjustments.</p> <p>The committee agreed to recommend approval to City Council.</p>
<p>6. Future topics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SeaTac Center redevelopment</li> <li>• Annexation of land along Orillia Rd.</li> <li>• City branding</li> </ul>
<p>7. Adjourn</p>	<p><i>The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.</i></p>