

East Bellevue Community Council
Summary Minutes of Regular Meeting

March 2, 2010
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Community Clubhouse
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Chair Kasner, Vice Chair Elwin, Alternate Vice Chair Erwin, and Councilmembers Gooding and Seal

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Gwen Rousseau, Planning and Community Development

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Chair Kasner presiding.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call by the Clerk, all Councilmembers were present. Chair Kasner led the flag salute.

(a) 2010 Election of Vice Chair and Alternate Vice Chair

Chair Kasner opened nominations for the position of Vice Chair.

Councilmember Seal nominated Michael Elwin to serve as Vice Chair.

Mr. Kasner asked for further nominations. Seeing none, the nominations for Vice Chair were closed. Chair Kasner called for the vote electing the 2010 Vice Chair.

Mr. Elwin was elected to serve as Vice Chair by a vote of 5-0.

Chair Kasner opened nominations for the position of Alternate Vice Chair.

Chair Kasner nominated Richard Erwin to serve as Alternate Vice Chair.

Mr. Kasner asked for further nominations. Seeing none, the nominations for Alternate Vice Chair were closed. Chair Kasner called for the vote electing the 2010 Alternate Vice Chair.

Councilmember Erwin was elected to serve as Alternate Vice Chair by a vote of 5-0.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS - WRITTEN AND ORAL:** None.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Erwin moved to approve the agenda. Vice Chair Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

6. **RESOLUTIONS**

(a) Resolution No. 511 electing the 2010 Community Council Officers

Councilmember Seal moved to approve Resolution No. 511 electing Mr. Kasner as the 2010 East Bellevue Community Council Chair, Mr. Elwin as the 2010 East Bellevue Community Council Vice Chair, and Mr. Erwin as the 2010 East Bellevue Community Council Alternate Vice Chair. Councilmember Elwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

7. **REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS:** None.

8. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

(a) Changing Face of Bellevue – Community Demographics

Gwen Rousseau, Associate Planner, presented information on community demographics, including population, social, economic, and housing characteristics. The information comes primarily from the 2006-2008 American Community Survey, which provides annual, 3-year, and 5-year updates to census data. The American Community Survey collects information on an ongoing basis throughout the country. The 2006-2008 data became available in late 2009, and the first 5-year update for this region will be released in late 2011.

Ms. Rousseau reviewed population growth, annexation history, age, gender, race, and ethnicity. Bellevue has the highest proportion of Asian-American residents of Washington's large cities, as well as the highest proportion of foreign-born residents. Bellevue's shares of household types are typical of Washington places, except that it has relatively fewer single-parent households.

Continuing, Ms. Rousseau reviewed education demographics, employment and commuting trends, household incomes, housing values and ownership, rental costs, and foreclosures.

Ms. Rousseau noted that additional information is available on the City's website at www.bellevuewa.gov/demographics.htm and on the U.S. Census Bureau's American FactFinder web site at factfinder.census.gov.

Ms. Rousseau described the 2010 Census, which is a complete count every 10 years of everyone residing in the United States. The information is used to reapportion seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, and is the basis for distributing more than \$400 million in federal funding every

year. She noted that personal information provided through the census is kept confidential. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share respondents' information with anyone, including the IRS, FBI, CIA, INS, or other government agency. Census questionnaires will be mailed in March, and questionnaire assistance centers and Be Counted sites will be open from March 15 to April 15 to assist citizens. The census website is www.2010Census.gov.

Ms. Rousseau responded to questions of clarification, and offered to provide more information as requested by the Council.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**: None.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**: None.

11. **NEW BUSINESS**: None.

12. **CONTINUED COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Kasner reported that the Neighborhood News was distributed via email today. He noted a program called Tea and Conversation at Crossroads, which is focused on connecting women from different cultures and backgrounds. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 23, 1:00-3:00 p.m., at Crossroads Community Center. Neighbor Link will provide information on community service projects.

Mr. Kasner said that he and Mr. Elwin attended the kickoff event for the Bellevue 2010 census effort. Bellevue's census office is located in the shopping center on 120th Avenue NE, just south of NE 8th Street [former location of Larry's Market].

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**: None.

14. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chair Elwin moved to approve the Summary Minutes of the February 2, 2010, East Bellevue Community Council meeting. Mr. Erwin seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Erwin moved to adjourn, and Mr. Seal seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Chair Kasner declared the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Michelle Murphy, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

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