



MEMORANDUM

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TO: East Main CAC Members

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SUBJECT: Project Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an overview of the materials in this meeting packet and to highlight the objectives of the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the feedback from the online and in-person open houses and to finalize the CAC recommendation to City Council. Due to the size of the packet, we are providing you with a hard copy of the materials ahead of the meeting. The materials will also be available online at: <http://www.bellevuewa.gov/east-main-station.htm>.

There are several items in the meeting packet. Attachment 1 is the minutes of the May 3, 2016 CAC meeting. These will require review and approval by the CAC. For the final meeting minutes, staff will send out the draft for your review and edits will be noted along with who made the request; however, there will be no action or approval by the CAC.

Attachment 2 contains two e-mails that were received since the May meeting, including staff responses. One is from Brian Franklin with PMF Investments, who spoke at the May 3rd meeting. The other email is from Ms. Claudia Evans regarding concerns about construction impacts on South Bellevue neighborhoods.

Attachment 3 is the summary report from EnviroIssues for the online and in-person open houses. The report includes a summary of the outreach and objectives of the open houses and major themes. There were over 150 unique visitors to the online open house and about 20 attendees at the in-person open house. A total of 37 people responded to the questionnaire (31 online, 6 in-person) and provided 64 comments. Participants were asked to indicate how well the strategies achieve the objectives for each of the four topic areas. The percentage of participants that rated the strategies and a sample of comments are provided for each question. In addition, all of the comments received online and in-person are listed verbatim at the end of the report.

Attachment 4 is the latest version of the CAC Final Report and Recommendations. This version reflects the changes to the recommendations and the text made by the CAC at the May 3rd meeting and presented to the public during the open houses. Staff has added more photographs and reformatted some sections, including some updated graphics for the plan

document and the appendix. No additional changes have been made to the recommended strategies in the plan. The June 15th meeting is the final opportunity for the CAC to make edits to the strategies, text or other content in either the plan or the appendix. At this point in the process, it is important to limit changes to clarifications, errors, or in response to comments from the public not previously considered by the CAC. The appendix is also included in the packet for your review and information. The main changes to the appendix include the addition of some updated graphics (e.g. transit routes in existing conditions section) and an earlier draft of the final open house summary report. The updated summary report included in this packet will replace the draft in the enclosed appendix for the final version.

Once the CAC has completed the final edits, it is hoped that all of the members will sign the transmittal letter to City Council. Since there will not be another meeting of the CAC, staff will rely on the chair and vice-chair to review and confirm the accuracy and completeness of the changes made by the CAC prior to presentation to City Council. Staff will also notify the CAC when the document has been posted online and send you a copy of the final document approved by City Council. The plan is currently scheduled to be presented to City Council at their extended study session on Monday, July 11th. Scott Lampe, as CAC chair, will be presenting the plan to City Council along with staff. All of the CAC members are invited to attend the meeting as well. The study session begins at 6 p.m. and staff will keep you informed about date and a more precise time once those are confirmed.

Following the June 15th meeting, the CAC is invited to share homemade cookies and sparkling cider to celebrate the culmination of your efforts and good work over the past 22 months! We hope you are all able to attend this important meeting and celebration. Due to a special Planning Commission meeting in the same room that needs to set up no later than 6 p.m., the celebration will be held in another room at city hall.

Please contact me or Phil if you have any questions about these materials prior to the meeting. Thank you for your time and commitment to this project.