Members in Attendance:
Andrea Tucker – Port Gardner  Andrew Moe – Lowell
Jim Grieco – Twin Creeks  Diane Fink – Lowell
John VanPatten – Twin Creeks  Robin Rigdon – Northwest
Victor Harris – Port Gardner  John Sweeny - Northwest
Karen McAllister - Bayside  Arthur Olsen – Pinehurst
Christina Strand - Bayside  Gary James – Pinehurst
Michael Trujillo- Cascade View  Dennis Dudder – So Forest Park & View
Mary Fosse – Delta  Ridge/Madison
Tina Hokanson – Evergreen  George Lockeman – Valley View
Tom Norcott – Harborview- Seahurst-Glenhaven  Vanessa Randall – Valley View
Colleen Kain – Harborview- Seahurst-Glenhaven  Linda War Bonnet – Westmont/Holly

Staff:
Wendy McClure  Ryan Sass  Kathleen Baxter
Dave Tyler

Excused:
Carol Jensen  Sara Steuben
Chris Geray  Linden Kimbrough

Guests:

Called to Order:  4:01 p.m.

I. APPROVALS & COMMENTS
Andrea Tucker, Vice Chair, opened the meeting. Carol Jensen, chair, is out of town today. Agenda approved.
Minutes for May and June meetings were approved.
Citizens Comments - none

II. SAFETY MINUTE and CLIMATE MINUTE
4:09 Safety Minute – Karen McAllister commented on Grand Ave. It is very busy due to construction on Rucker Ave. Pay attention to pedestrians and traffic.

Climate minute – Plant a tree in the fall to address climate change. Conserve energy. Also - B-corps – Sno-Isle Food Co-op certified as a B-Corp, which means they have a triple bottom line including the environment. City Ordinance on disposable bags goes into effect soon, start a new habit to bring a re-useable bag.
III. **ADMINISTRATION – NICK HARPER**

4:10 Mayor Franklin was not available this afternoon. Nick Harper, Deputy Mayor, attended and introduced new hire Kimberley Cline, Communications Director. She is excited to be here, on the job 6 days. New home owner in NW neighborhood. Over 20 years’ experience, most recently with Puget Sound Clean Air agency.

Mayor and Nick and others ecstatic to announce Farmer’s Market coming to downtown Everett. Move from the Port of Everett location will bring vitality to downtown. City will work closely with Karen Erickson and Gary Purves, and Farmers Market team, to make sure it’s a good location and has positive impacts. On and off-street activities for vendors. Excited for downtown vendors. Retailers are excited may open on Sundays. Option to expand to nearby block of Wetmore.

Update on Lime Scooter Pilot – pilot is set for 90 day period, to end at end of August. Tracking usage and ride habits. Significant usage. 3-4 times, used 4 to 4.5 times a day. 6,500 residents have used the scooter. Appears to be repeat users are higher than some other places. In August, more substantive update to City Council. Contact Nick or Julio for more info. With the scooters there have been 4 collisions or incidents to date. Scooters are more regulated – no sidewalk use. Ordinance requires helmets, not ok to ride on sidewalks. Will recommend non-automotive modes have similar regulations.

How many scooters are in city? Lime says there are 85 at present.

Will move of the market affect the size of the market and number of vendors? Nick anticipates a possible increase in vendors with more space. Gary is mapping out vendor space.

Question - City approved retail center development at Riverfront, and yet there is no activity. Response – Planning and Building hoped to issue road construction permits in mid-July – but no update to date. Nick will look into update.

Colleen asked about farmers market – will new location be temporary? Did vendors and market owners know that the Port site would be temporary? Nick responded – Farmers Market location downtown, as far as city is concerned, is permanent. Unless it needs adjustment or slightly different block location, block faces that are better. With market and port, the tenor and tone has been a bit different this year. City and Port met with market to discuss 2020 plan. Collectively made decision to move to downtown - City, Port and Karen and Gary. George commented that there will be concerns 1st Presbyterian church service parking. City will do everything we can to make sure it flows smoothly.
Why did it move? Port and market staff decided together that this would be last summer at Box Car park, given redevelopment at Port. Congestion and parking were key concerns.

IV. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON JUDY TUOHY, Council Vice President (unable to attend)

4:20 Council President Bader attended to represent Council. Shoreline waterfront access plan was approved by Council last week. There was some controversy, with Port, Economic Alliance commenting about access concerns for businesses if access plan was approved.

August 19, 6 – 7:30 PM first meeting of the Districting Commission. Planning Commission housing moratorium discussion reset for August 20th. Council will be working with CON and neighborhoods on NNO visits and routes. Question – will their meetings be on government TV? Moratorium is focus on August 20th.

V. CITY & COMMUNITY ITEMS


Downtown streetscape plan and project was developed to do improvements on Hoyt, Rucker and parts of Wall and California. Some was completed. Rest of project put on shelf at 60% of design. Rucker, Hoyt and other improvements are in the mix. Public works looks for opportunities for utility work and related efforts, to share costs for restoration. Water lines being replaced from Pacific to Everett Ave. Everett Ave water lines will be replaced.

City recognizes it is disruptive and hard on business stakeholders. Staff did a lot of outreach to stakeholders prior to this project. Contractor is required to have business liaison person as part of team who will be available directly to shop owners and downtown businesses will have direct contact with construction contractor.

First phase is 2.5 months. Rucker from Wall to Hewitt, and parts of Wall Street, then last phase is southernmost part – 2 to 2.5 months phases. Planting of shrubs and trees will be late winter into spring. Rubber tree matting being used around trees in new planters. Air and water permeable rubber mix.

Found old railroad ties in ground, under pavement. Trying to help with business access during construction, temporary paths while sidewalk is torn up.

Tom – thanks for keeping people informed. Is this project like the north-end sewer pipe replacement?
Ryan responded - No – this is replacement of aged cast iron pipe. Not a CSO project. When will it be done? Completion in about 7.5 months, should be done, Jan Feb, will do landscaping in March.

Question - Are there partnerships when you find interesting stuff underground? Response - Yes, we do partner when we find interesting stuff. Certain areas deep down do have an observer on the project.

Tina asked about development along Evergreen Way, Casino Road area - what are plans for grouping entrances to businesses? Ryan responded that Evergreen Way is very auto-centric corridor. Evolved as semi urban commercial/industrial strip. There is a plan for Evergreen Way corridor. Scheduled to be accomplished as a condition of development. Will reshape corridor. Planning staff should have more information.

WSDOT contacted the Evergreen neighborhood directly to talk about their plans. Tina would like to see City involved. Ryan responded – Hardeson/526 corridor is on state freeway, City is partner but WSDOT is project planner. Coordinating with them since beginning. Current plan is to hold meetings with local businesses and each neighborhood, and staff will hold open house for anyone interested as well. Kathleen Baxter – public works public information – she encouraged people to use web address to sign up for updates. Intersections closures will be announced.

**Zoning/land use and Rethink Zoning** – Planning update - Dave Tyler

This project is City’s long-term plan to Rethink Zoning codes. The review of zoning map and regulations and the update is a multi-year effort to modernize development codes. City has gone 30 years without updates except incremental changes. Staff want to simplify it, make it easier to understand. Also want to look at how zoning affects housing affordability. A lot of retail is happening on line, new brick and mortar stores are not coming into city. Internet revolution. Want to do more community engagement in process.

Code has gotten amended over 200 times since 1989. Need to plan for expected growth, to absorb people expected by 2050, address housing affordability challenges, commercial land use trends. Different factors are feeding into the effort. Light rail, and its stops, housing strategy, growth forecasts, employment and population, and complex development code.

Puget Sound Regional Council 2050 study – PSRC growth strategy for Puget Sound area. Transit and light rail, Bus rapid transit, Swift bus, and light rail stations, 128th and I-5, Airport Road, Everett Station.
Currently 21 different codes in city. Zones overlap a lot in uses and development standards and could be combined. Business and residential zones are to be redone. Fall 2019 Scoping for EIS, code re-writing underway. Updating Planning Commission and City Council regularly. Hope to adopt new code by end of 2020.

Tom asked about Air B&Bs. Response - Planning has not evaluated them specifically.

Vanessa commented that a casino is a different type of use, has big impact. Response - Under current standards a casino would be permitted, but local casinos are smaller, not same as casino on tribal lands.

George – this is potential “third rail” for elected and City staff. Controversial to bring small shops into residential areas. Valley View is residential, would be nice to have a mixed use in area. But many objected. Hope you are looking at other cities. Comparison with rail station. George sees need to take an audacious and tough decision and look at this to make a well operating community, carbon friendly, enjoyable community. Response from Dave – staff are looking at a broader range of uses at business locations. Establishing locational criteria for new pockets of business zones.

Is Snohomish County zoning as complicated as this? A bit different, county may not be going through same process as city. Have to negotiate with local jurisdictions about how much population we can accept.

Question about zones – trying to reduce and remove overlap to create distinct zones with distinct uses. Does this affect home based business? Dave’s response - Not necessarily changing how they are allowed or where.

Question - Is this similar to Metro Everett process? Dave responded ‘yes’, very similar process. Dave is leaving info at table for people to learn more.

Workshop on July 29 at Snohomish County with PSRC. Will be discussing increased population projections. - about 60,000 more residents by 2040. About 88,000 by 2050.

VI.  TEAM WORK – UPDATES & NEW IDEAS

5:00  School partnerships/Diversity Outreach – Linda War Bonnet reported that they are doing summer clean up on school campuses before school starts, clean ups are on August 17.
Camp Fire Girls will be attending NNO.
Karen McAllister has high school students helping with NNO with face-painting.
Wendy McClure will share updates as City learns more about key contacts at the school district and any special events where neighbors can meet school staff.

Monte Cristo Update 2019 – Jim Grieco – 84 nominations so far. Jim has sent out email with 84 addresses by category. Some neighborhoods not well represented. Need to coordinate with volunteers who have offered their time. Need more communication among committee members. Tom asked about go or no go for event.

Community interest shows growth in right direction. Discussed nominations, options for holding meetings to plan, involve more volunteers. This is the 25th year, which presents an opportunity to revamp next year, rebrand, re-do. John Van Patten will move forward on photos, took 20 photos. He has a google drive to share photos within folder, for each neighborhood. Has gotten several volunteers. John will take in new nominations at his address until Aug 2. Selection date August 22. Photos due a week before. Sizing of photos is important. Jim will send new email out about meeting. Chris will be asked to coordinate while Jim is away.

Better Communications Among Neighborhoods – Jim Grieco – will be having surgery, has not had time to act on this task.


VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

✓ Everett Faith in Action, Sept 24 7pm. First Presbyterian celebration on accomplishments of past year, such as SafeStreets, Carnegie Resource Center, etc. Rockefeller at Wall Street

✓ Victor described SnoTRAC – PSRC presentation on regional planning toward 2050. Growth 60,000 by 2040, by 2050, 90,000 people. Has impact on rural lands and transportation services, especially those with disabilities. Public workshop July 29 3pm to 5pm, at Everett Station. This process sets standard for our 2025, 2035 2045 comprehensive plans.

✓ Upcoming Events
  o Civil Discourse Sept 30 or Oct 3
  o Clare’s Place – low barrier housing open house 10-2pm, for tours.
✓ Shakespeare in the Park, August 3rd 5:30pm at Wiggums Hollow Park, with
✓ Everett Improv, Seattle Shakespeare - Twelfth Night. All ages, bring a chair.
✓ Check out Clark Park Active on Facebook. Meeting tonight at 7:30 PM.

VIII. NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS

5:40 Bayside: No meeting, NNO on August 6, 6-8pm, at Wetmore Plaza, ice cream truck, band, mascots, Karate demos, CERT, BACA and bikes and potentially Boys and Girls Club, library. Setting up at 4pm.

Cascade View / Twin Creeks: Had July 15 meeting, had candidate forum, 20 candidates for city, county and city offices. 54 people attended. Biggest meeting without a crisis. Had police, no fire and city council. Cascade View and Twin creeks are having NNO at Horizon Elementary school, combining with Westmont/Holly from 5:30 PM to 8 PM. Usual resources, magician etc.

Delta: 45 attended. Mayor visited meeting. Neighbors reported on Delta progress and recapped successes of neighborhood before Mayor spoke. Good dialogue.

Evergreen: No meeting. Coordinating with View Ridge for NNO event at 710 Pecks, at Praise Chapel, 6:30 – 8:30. Tina looking for new leadership to take over Evergreen.

 Harborview-Seahurst-Glenhaven: No meeting in July, just had steering committee meeting. Planning for NNO – Upper Howarth Park 6-8pm. HSG is having ice cream truck, cake and lemonade this year. Campfire Girls. Sept 17 is next meeting, will have Mayor Franklin visiting. Some smaller groups, like block watch, have movie nights.

Lowell: Had 23 in attendance, had police, fire and council. Discussed design for neighborhood signs. NNO event will be from 5-7 pm at Lowell Community Park.

Northwest: No meeting, having MOAGS Aug 3 from 10am to 4pm. No NNO event.

Pinehurst: June 25, had 19 in attendance, police fire and council. Clare’s Place was discussed. NNO on Aug 6, 6pm to 8pm, with Valley View, Pinehurst, Lions Club and B&G club. Miniature golf course will be set up by the Lions. And Karaoke.

Port Gardner: no meeting. Holding NNO at Norton playfield, 6 to 8 pm. Having DJ, games. Volleyball and other fun. Make your own sundae.

Riverside: no report

Silver Lake: no report
South Forest Park: No meeting

Valley View: No meeting, combining with Pinehurst at NNO.

View Ridge / Madison: Holding an event with Evergreen neighborhood for NNO at the Praise Chapel, 6:30 to 8 pm.

Westmont / Holly: No meeting, NNO event with Cascade View/Twin Creeks at Horizon Elementary.

IX. FIVE ITEMS TO REPORT

5:50

1. Farmers Market moving to Wetmore Ave downtown in August.
2. Shoreline Access Plan updated, on 5-year cycle
3. Single Use bag policy starts Sept 30 Get free bags from Public Works
5. ReThink Zoning project until end of 2020. Contact Planning to get involved.
7. Shakespeare in the Park, Wiggums Holly Park, Aug 3rd. All welcome.

X. ADJOURN 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting Sept 23, 4 PM to 6 PM