

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Wednesday, June 27, 1990

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Department of Planning and Community Development - Scott Kirkpatrick, Director:

- 1) Sphere of Influence Agreements and the Growth Management Act.
- 2) Enforcement Update.
- 3) Staffing Update.
- 4) Miscellaneous.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, June 27, 1990, with Commissioners Ruth Wylie, W. W. Vaux and Dave Rohrer present.

Scott Kirkpatrick, Director, Planning and Community Development, requested that introduction of new staff members be first on the agenda.

STAFFING UPDATE

Mr. Kirkpatrick introduced three new staff members to the Board:

Bob McGill, Assistant Planner
Jim Cahill, Assistant Planner
Edwina Fong, Assistant Planner

SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AGREEMENTS AND THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported to the Board that the deadline for counties to begin the process of establishing the boundaries for urban growth areas is a year away, but Skagit County and the city planners are now beginning the process.

Mr. Kirkpatrick reviewed with the Board some graphics prepared by Stephanie Nelson of the Planning and Community Development Department. The graphics demonstrated municipal boundaries for urban growth areas for Anacortes, Burlington, Sedro Woolley, Concrete, La Connor and Mt. Vernon. The sphere of influence boundaries were enacted at the time the sphere of influence was determined in 1981-1982. The intention was to provide a way for cities and the County to solve issues before they become problems.

Mr. Kirkpatrick pointed out that the issues with the different communities are not all the same. It will be important to sort out and determine what is appropriate for each community. The cities will be working with the County to establish urban growth areas and to decide how to proceed. Within those areas, urban growth is encouraged, but outside those areas, growth is accommodated only if it is not urban in nature. The intention is to preserve agricultural and forest land.

Mr. Kirkpatrick proposed that the above established boundaries be used as interim urban growth boundaries until the final urban growth boundaries are established.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Vaux motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.



Stephanie Wood for
Jean Copping, Acting Clerk
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