

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

Tuesday, November 2, 1993

- 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Commissioners' Staff Meeting.
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Department of Planning and Community Development - Dave Hough, Director:
- 1) Discussion - Growth Management Act Time Line.
 - 2) Code Enforcement Report.
 - 3) Miscellaneous.
- 1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Public Hearing - Supplemental Budget - Veteran's Relief Fund #107
- 1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Signature - Architect Contracts:
- 1) Henry Klein Partnership.
 - 2) Cheney/Page Architects.
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Budget Work Session - General.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 2, 1993, with Commissioners Robert Hart, Harvey Wolden and Robby Robinson present.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Chairman Hart and Commissioner Robinson were present. Commissioner Wolden was excused.

1) **Discussion - Growth Management Act Time Line.**

Kraig Olason, Assistant Director; Gary Christensen, Senior Planner; Edwyna Fong, Assistant Planner; Pat Bunting, Assistant Planner and Paul Carr, Capitol Facilities Planner, Planning and Community Development were present for the discussion. Kraig Olason opened the discussion. He explained that although they have been on a timeline for some time, there is now a chart demonstrating the timeline of the Growth Management Act.

Mr. Olason referred to the outline in the Commissioners' packets and passed out the latest series showing the work plan, Track III, Implementation. This outlines the major work components and how they are actually going to be getting them done in a more simplistic way. They have tried to take a general overview and provide for a general review of the basic components that would be covered in each work task.

Mr. Olason reviewed the Growth Management Act Program schedule beginning with Track I. They hope to have the Environmental Impact Statement out by the first of January.

Chairman Hart asked when the land use element would be out? He said there needs to be some information to the public by the end of the year.

Mr. Olason agreed that this is important and that the Environmental Impact Statement land use element would be the primary document. When it is ready to forward to the Planning Commission a SEPA determination will be made and it will provide for a 50 day comment period.

Mr. Christensen said that one of the primary purposes and objectives of the Environmental Impact Statement is to provide staff and the decision makers valuable information about what the alternatives are. The EIS

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will encourage further deliberation. One of the things the EIS does is to provide the public and everyone else with a document where everything is in one packet. It will be a good format to start soliciting dialogue about what the choices are. There will be some numbers to support those alternatives and then it will go to the public.

Mr. Christensen added that before the end of the year, the Citizen Advisory policies will be released and there will be an Open House November 8 at La Venture School, which will be the first opportunity for the public to comment on a draft document. The draft EIS will be released in December for the public to review and the Planning Commission to study.

Mr. Carr said they hope to have a work session with the Commissioners on a preliminary analysis of the Urban Growth Areas by next week. Mr. Olason pointed out that Mr. Carr is taking the lead on that part of the process. He said that he has been meeting with the cities and asking hard questions and may receive some response from them next week.

Ms. Bunting stated that relative to the Parks element of the Comprehensive Plan, this needs to fit into the overall picture for the plan to receiving IAC funding. Also, relative to the environmental option, which has repeatedly been an issue, they would like to handle this at a policy level before doing an ordinance.

Mr. Christensen added that the Legislature made some changes to the Growth Management Act last session and there were three elements to these changes. He reviewed those changes with the Board.

Mr. Olason continued to review the Growth Management Act process with the Board. He discussed Track II, Group A, Group B and Group C, explaining each element of the process. He explained that Group C consists of the optional elements to the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Olason then went on to review Track III, Implementation, which was distributed to the Board this morning. He said that this had been broken into two segments: interim zoning and official ordinance development. At the present time they are in Phase I.

Chairman Hart talked about a Flood Committee meeting he attended the previous evening at which issues were looked at around a moratorium on building until there can be more direction relative to the placement of the dikes, etc.

After some discussion about the possible moratorium, Mr. Olason reviewed the timeline for the official ordinance development with the Board. He said they are looking at having a draft product to the Planning Commission by Fall 1994.

He concluded his report, noting that they will be coming before the Board from time to time in order to receive the Boards' comments and input.

Mr. Christensen emphasized that it is important to remember that comprehensive planning is a process that is never completed. With the Open House in two weeks they are now going to have something for the public to respond to.

Mr. Olason said they would appreciate further response from the Board after they have an opportunity to review and digest the information that was presented today, especially the elements related to implementation. He said he felt they should do everything they can to hold to the timeline and he is glad they are starting from a basis of policy directives.

2) Code Enforcement Report

The Code Enforcement Report was distributed to the Board.

3) Miscellaneous

Jim Cahill, Assistant Planner, reported that they kicked off the Economic and Transportation Advisory Committees last week. Mr. Christensen said they would be meeting once every three weeks.

There was further discussion about the planning process, with Mr. Christensen talking about the sharing of information with the Planning Commission. He said there will be education and information sharing that will occur prior to the public hearings.

Chairman Hart emphasized the importance of everyone being able to have their say and that all of the issues should be brought out, with a deadline at some point. There will always be changes and amendments.

Mr. Olason noted that he will put the timeline on the computer. He also said that the press will be provided with the timeline. Everything is a draft and they want to make sure people have a sense of where things are going.

MISCELLANEOUS

Stephanie Wood, Administrative Coordinator, presented the following miscellaneous items for the review and approval of the Board.

1) Commissioner Hart motioned to approve for signature an emergency resolution authorizing the Voluntary Transfer of Sick Leave from any employee in District Court who is interested in transferring some of their accrued sick leave to the account of Tom Reyna, an employee of the District Court who is recovering from surgery on his appendix and who has exhausted his total sick leave and vacation benefits, in a maximum amount not to exceed 140 hours. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution #15093)

2) Commissioner Hart motioned to approve for signature a resolution Authorizing the Sale of Tax Foreclosed Property at Anchor Cove. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution #15095)

3) Commissioner Hart motioned to approve for signature a resolution calling for a Public Hearing to consider a request to lease/sell surplus County property at 1202 South Second Street in Mount Vernon on Monday, November 22, 1993, at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution #15096)

Chairman Hart, Commissioner Robinson and Commissioner Wolden were present for the following agenda items.

PUBLIC HEARING - SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET - VETERAN'S RELIEF FUND #107

Bob Taylor, Administrative Officer and Mike Woodmansee, Budget/Finance Director, were also present.

Mr. Woodmansee explained that Mr. Taylor has requested that the proposed resolution be prepared to enable them to expend \$12,000 more than they currently have budgeted for the rest of 1993. This money will be received from the 1993 excess revenues from the Forest Board Yield distribution.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve for signature a resolution Authorizing a Supplemental Budget in order to fund payments to the Veteran's Relief Fund #107 as requested through the Veteran's Coordinator. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (**Resolution #15094**)

SIGNATURE - ARCHITECT CONTRACTS:

Roger Howard, Director, Facilities Management, presented the following contracts for the approval and signature of the Board.

1) **Henry Klein Partnership.**

Mr. Howard presented Mr. Klein's schedule for the work on the Courthouse Administration Building.

Commissioner Wolden motioned to approve for signature an agreement between Skagit County and The Henry Klein Partnership, for remodeling of the Skagit County Courthouse. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Contract #001814)

2) **Cheney/Page Architects**

Mr. Howard explained that there needs to be room in the Jail to move Juvenile Probation while the work is being done on that building.

In response to a request from the Board, Mr. Howard agreed to speak to the architect, Mr. Cheney, about moving more quickly on the Juvenile Probation project.

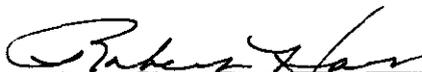
Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve for signature an Amendment to Agreement between Skagit County and The Cheney/Page Architects for the remodel of the Juvenile Probation Department. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Contract #00930)

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Robinson motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

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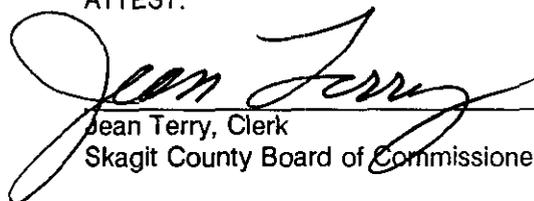



Robert Hart, Chairman


Robby Robinson, Commissioner


Harvey Wolden, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Jean Terry, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners